# **How A Rate Case Works**

The rate case process takes time — about 11 months from developing the case to the time new energy rates take effect.

#### **Rate Case Process**



## 1. Rate Case Preparation

Illinois Gas Company reviews budgets, analyzes sales and construction forecasts and develops the rate case.

## 2. Filing

Illinois Gas Company files rate case with the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC).

#### 3. Review

The ICC and interveners examine budget information from Illinois Gas Company, asks us to defend and update figures provided.

## 4. Hearings

The public has an opportunity to comment. Witnesses that support the figures in the rate case are available for cross examination in a court-like proceeding.

### 5. Ruling

The ICC decides any outstanding matters and issues a written order on the rate request.

### 6. Rates Take Effect

New rates take effect for customers.