



# SUNSHINE NEWS

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## **Payment Options:**

For your convenience we offer many methods to keep your account up to date.

We accept Visa, MasterCard & Interact. Payment can also be made at your bank & by telephone & internet.

## **Meter Reads**

Please remember to read your meter on the first day of each month. Accounts will be estimated on meters read after the 4<sup>th</sup> of the month.

## **Alberta One-Call**

1-800-242-3447.  
Call before you dig.

## **Customer Service**

Sunshine offers repair services for gas appliances. We also install underground secondary services as well as gas piping to installed appliances. Please call for a free estimate.

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**Annual General Meeting:** The Sunshine Gas AGM will be held at the Blackie I.O.O.F. Hall on March 25, 2008 at 7:30 P.M. Sunshine members are encouraged to attend this meeting to learn more about the operation of your co-op and to voice any concerns you may have. The AGM agenda will include:

**Auditor Report:** A review of the 2007 financial statements.

**Board Report:** The Chairman and manager will review operations for 2007.

**Elections:** Nominations will be accepted for the position of (2) directors.

**Supplemental Bylaw:** As a not-for-profit member owned utility, Sunshine Gas Co-op Ltd will be applying to Revenue Canada for tax exempt status. The following supplemental bylaw must be passed to proceed with the application:

*Section 19 of the Rural Utilities Act: Distributing Earnings: The Association shall use any surplus earnings of the Association for the attainment of the objects of the Association and no distribution shall be made to the Association's members.*

## **Sunshine Board of Directors**

**Chairman:** John Ivers      **Vice Chair:** Paul Wald  
Buster Davis                      John Graham  
Don McLean                        Roy Newman  
Monty Southgate

**Appliance Installations:** Effective immediately Sunshine Gas Co-op will no longer provide sales or installations of gas appliances. We will continue to offer repair services as well as the installation of gas piping and venting to installed appliances. We will also continue to install underground secondary gas services.

**New Gas Services:** If you require gas service to your property please contact our office. The planning process for installing rural gas services can be quite extensive so early applications are appreciated. **The deadline for applications for Gas Installations in 2008 is August 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**E-Billing:** We now have the technology and ability to offer E-Billing to our customers. Please send us an email indicating that you are interested in receiving your monthly bill electronically and we will determine if there is sufficient interest to proceed. Our email address is: [sungas@telus.net](mailto:sungas@telus.net). Thank-you!

**Bill Payments:** Just a reminder that the "Due Date" on your gas bill is the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month. Accounts not paid by this date will be considered in arrears. Sunshine Gas Co-op does not profit from the natural gas supplied to it's members and unlike investor owned utilities, there is no mark up for profit. As a result, we do not have surplus funds to offset accounts that are overdue. Costs associated with the collection of arrears will result in increased costs for all members.

**Alberta One-Call:** Milder weather is just around the corner and many are beginning to plan spring projects. Please contact Alberta One-Call at 1-800-242-3447 to arrange to have locates in your work area. They require two full working days notice and there is no charge for this service.