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RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF GAS

5. Testing and Inspecting Customer's Service

5.1 Inspection Requirement

If local authorities require an inspection of customer's piping, the customer shall be responsible for contacting the appropriate local authority to arrange for such inspection. Upon passing the local authority's inspection, the customer or his authorized representative shall be permitted to unplug and unseal the outlet of the meter, connect it to the customer's piping, and turn on the valve located at the outlet side of the meter.

5.2 Pressure Test of Customer Piping

Before permitting the use of gas at any location, all customer piping and any alterations, additions or renewals thereof shall be tested for tightness and leaks in accordance with Part 4 of the American National Standard "National Fuel Gas Code", ANSI Z223.1 (1999). Before any system of gas piping is finally put in service, it shall be tested for tightness and certified by the appropriate local authority that the test has been made.

5.3 Company's Right to Inspect

The Company shall have the right, but not the obligation to inspect or test any installation before service is introduced or at any later time, and reserves the right to reject any piping or appliances not in accordance with the Part 4 of the American National Standard "National Fuel Gas Code", ANSI Z223.1 (1999); but such inspection, or failure to inspect, or to reject, shall not render the Company liable or responsible for any loss or damage resulting from defects in the installation, piping, or appliances, or from violation of Company rules, or from accidents which may occur upon the premises of the customer.

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21.7 Operational Flow Orders (OFOs)

- A) An OFO is a demand for specific actions on the part of Shippers that are serving customers without daily measuring devices. All customers without daily measuring devices are subject to the Company's issuance of OFOs.
- B) An OFO will be issued, to the extent possible, with a minimum of eight (8) hours notice to the affected parties. Notice shall be made by the medium most reasonably expected to reach the Customer Proxy with as much notice as reasonably expected to reach the Customer Proxy in a timely manner, including but not limited to: e-mail, facsimile, or the Company's internet-based website. The notice will include the circumstance that warrants the issuance of the OFO or OMO, and it will explain why the actions are necessary. The notice will be provided via e-mail to the Maryland P.S.C.
- C) The Company will have the authority to direct Customer Proxies to direct their Shippers to adjust daily deliveries to a specified level (the Daily OFO Level). Generally, during peak design day conditions, the Daily OFO Level will be equal to the then current maximum daily quantity. Should expected conditions be different than peak design day conditions, the Daily OFO Level may be greater or less than the then current maximum daily quantity. In order to determine compliance with the OFO the Shipper may use gas quantities which are: 1) scheduled and delivered on that day to the Company in the same Upstream Pipeline Scheduling Point in which the Shipper's customer facilities are located; 2) contracted for under Rate SS – Standby Service; 3) available pursuant to the Rider EBS-Option 1; or 4) additional quantities that may be made available to the Shipper by the Company at its sole discretion including quantities delivered in accordance with the applicable rate schedule and Tariff requirements.
- D) When a difference between the Daily OFO Level and actual daily OFO compliance quantities to the Company exists, the following charges will be assessed to the Customer Proxy:
 - 1. Two Dollars and Eighty-seven cents (\$2.87) per therm on the difference except however, the Two Dollars and Eighty-seven cents (\$2.87) will not be assessed if the difference results from the Shipper delivering more than the Daily OFO Level during an OFO that restricts under-deliveries, or from the Shipper delivering less than the Daily OFO Level during an OFO that restricts over-deliveries; and,
 - 2. The payment of all other charges incurred by the Company on the date of the OFO that results from the Shipper's failure to comply with the OFO, including a proportionate share of any pipeline penalties that are incurred by the Company.

Charges billed for OFO non-compliance will be credited to the commodity purchased gas portion of Account No. 803 and will be allocated to customers through the commodity portion of the annual Actual Cost Adjustment calculation as described in the PGA section of this tariff.

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21.8 Operational Matching Orders (OMOs)

- A) An OMO is a demand for specific actions on the part of Shippers that are serving Distribution Service customers with daily measuring devices. All customers with daily measuring devices, except as specified in the Operational Matching Order provisions of these Transportation Service Rules, are subject to the Company's issuance of OMOs.

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- B) An OMO will be issued, to the extent possible, with a minimum of eight (8) hours notice to the affected parties. Notice shall be made by the medium most reasonably expected to reach the Customer Proxy with as much notice as reasonably expected to reach the Customer Proxy in a timely manner, including but not limited to: e-mail, facsimile, or the Company's internet-based website. The notice will include the circumstance that warrant the issuance of the OMO and explain why the actions required are necessary. The notice will be provided via e-mail to the Maryland P.S.C.
- C) The Company shall have the authority to direct Customer Proxies to adjust customer's daily consumption or daily scheduled deliveries (Daily OMO Level) in order that daily scheduled deliveries match customer's consumption. In order to comply with the OMO, the Shipper may use gas quantities which are: 1) scheduled and delivered on that day to the Company in the same Upstream Pipeline Scheduling Point in which the Shipper's customer(s)'s facilities are located; 2) contracted for under Rate SS – Standby Service; 3) available pursuant to the Rider EBS-Option 1; or 4) additional quantities that may be made available to the Shipper by the Company at its sole discretion including quantities delivered in accordance with the applicable rate schedule and Tariff requirements.
- D) When a difference exists between the Daily OMO Level and actual daily OMO compliance quantities, the following charges will be assessed to the Customer Proxy:
1. Two Dollars and Eighty-seven cents (\$2.87) per therm on the difference, except however, the Two Dollars and Eighty-seven cents (\$2.87) will not be assessed if the difference results from the Shipper delivering more than the Daily OMO Level during an OMO that restricts under-deliveries, or from the Shipper delivering less than the Daily OMO Level during an OMO that restricts over-deliveries, and
 2. Payment of all other charges incurred by the Company on the date of the OMO that result from the Shipper's failure to comply with the OMO, including a proportionate share of any pipeline penalties that are incurred by the Company.

Charges billed for OMO non-compliance will be credited to the commodity purchased gas portion of Account No. 803 and will be allocated to customers through the commodity portion of the annual Actual Cost Adjustment calculation as described in the PGA section of this tariff.

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21.9 Limitations on Nominations

A Shipper shall not submit a daily gas supply nomination in excess of one hundred twenty percent (120%) of the customer's maximum daily quantity except with the Company's prior permission. The Company may reject a nomination to the extent it exceeds one hundred twenty percent (120%) of a customer's maximum daily quantity and confirm it at a level equal to the one hundred twenty percent (120%) limit if the Shipper did not receive the Company's prior permission to exceed the limit.

21.10 Limitations Upon Excess Deliveries

The Company reserves the right to limit its receipt of deliveries which are in excess of a customer's known or estimated daily consumption of gas for redelivery to a customer on any given day ("Excess Deliveries") when such Excess Deliveries may cause the Company to incur penalties for exceeding its allowed daily or total storage injection capacity of its supplying pipeline or other costs incurred to avoid or mitigate pipeline penalties. The Company shall specify, electronically, the level of the limitation applicable to the Customer Proxy. The Company shall bill a proportionate share of the penalties and other costs that were incurred to avoid or mitigate pipeline penalties to all Customer Proxies who's Shipper fails to comply with the Company's limitation under this paragraph.

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RATE RS - RESIDENTIAL SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Throughout the territory served under this Tariff.

AVAILABILITY

Available at one location for the total requirements of any residential customer.

CHARACTER OF SERVICE

Residential customers who take service under this rate schedule are entitled to firm retail gas service from the Company.

RATE

System Charge: \$ 15.70

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Distribution Charge: \$ 0.68046 per therm

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TERMS OF PAYMENT

The above rates are net. Bills for gas service will be rendered monthly and are due and payable upon presentation. All bills shall be paid on or before the due date of payment shown on the bill, which date shall be not less than twenty (20) days after presentation.

MINIMUM CHARGE

The minimum charge shall be the System Charge.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

If service is discontinued at the request of the customer, the Company will not resume service to such customer at the same premises within twelve (12) months, unless it shall first receive payment of the applicable minimum charge for each month of the intervening period, but not to exceed twelve (12) months.

Where a customer has installed a gas light(s) in lighting devices approved by the Company, and the gas used by such light(s) is unmetered, the gas consumed by such light(s) shall be assumed to be twenty-one (21) therms per month when the Btu/hr input rating for such light(s) is 2,700 or less. For each additional 1,350 Btu/hr input or fraction thereof, the assumed consumption shall be increased by one eleven (11) therms per month. Such assumed consumption shall be billed under the rates contained herein, or if in combination with metered usage under this rate schedule, shall be added to the customer's metered usage and the total billed under the rates contained herein.

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RATE GS - GENERAL SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Throughout the territory served under this Tariff.

AVAILABILITY

Available at one location, for the total requirements of any commercial or industrial customer.

CHARACTER OF SERVICE

Industrial and commercial customers who take service under this rate schedule are entitled to firm retail gas service from the Company.

RATE

System Charge:

Annual consumption < 20,920 therms	\$ 55.99	(I)
Annual consumption = > 20,920 therms and = < 523,000 therms	\$ 185.05	(I)
Annual consumption > 523,000 therms	\$ 939.40	(I)

Distribution Charge:

Annual consumption < 20,920 therms	\$ 0.57610 per therm	(I)
Annual consumption = > 20,920 therms and = < 523,000 therms	\$ 0.33922 per therm	(I)
Annual consumption > 523,000 therms	\$ 0.18358 per therm	(I)

The rate billed to the customer will be determined based upon the customer's actual throughput quantities, including sales and distribution, measured in therms (thm) for the most recent twelve-month period ended with the customer's October billing cycle. If a customer does not have sufficient consumption history to determine its rate based on twelve (12) months, the rate will be developed by annualizing the consumption history available. In the instance where a customer has no consumption history, the Company will request the customer to submit estimated annual gas requirements, including sales and distribution, upon which to develop the rate. The Company in all cases retains the right to review and modify the customer's estimate where necessary. A customer's rate will remain constant annually, subject to change effective with the January billing cycle each year.

TERMS OF PAYMENT

The above rates are net. Bills for gas service will be rendered monthly and are due and payable upon presentation. All bills shall be paid on or before the due date of payment shown on the bill, which date shall be not less than fifteen (15) days after presentation.

If the customer fails to pay the full amount of any bill which is Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) or more, a delayed payment penalty charge of one and one-quarter percent (1¼%) per month will accrue on the unpaid portion of such bill from the due date to the date of payment but not to exceed five percent (5%).

MINIMUM CHARGE

The minimum charge shall be the System Charge.

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RATE IS - INTERRUPTIBLE SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Throughout the territory served under this Tariff.

AVAILABILITY

Available to any Industrial or Commercial customer using gas for any purpose when: (1) the Company's facilities and gas supply are adequate or can be economically provided to supply the customer's requirements, (2) such service will not unduly jeopardize the general character of existing interruptible service, (3) the customer does not take service under any other rate schedule, except where, in the sole judgement of the Company, separate metering of interruptible gas under this schedule is practicable. Interruptible service shall not be available to a commercial customer who provides residential-type service such as master-metered apartment buildings unless such customer agrees to contract for an appropriate level of standby service under Rate Schedule SS of the tariff for peak day demand, that is not protected by installed and operable alternate fuel facilities, which will enable the customer to continue to provide Human Needs services.

CHARACTER OF SERVICE

The Company undertakes no responsibility to obtain sufficient gas supplies to avoid interruption on a daily basis, and service hereunder is totally interruptible on any day when the Company gives notice to the customer that gas supply is inadequate to supply the customer's requirements, except to the extent the customer nominates Maximum Daily Firm Requirement under Rate SS.

The Company shall give the customer as much advance notice of interruption as is feasible in the sole judgement of the Company. Customer agrees that Company shall not be liable for any loss or damage that may be sustained by the customer by reason of any interruption of service.

RATE

System Charge:

Annual consumption less than 20,920 therms	\$ 55.99	(I)
Annual consumption = >20,920 therms and < = 523,000 therms	\$ 185.05	(I)
Annual consumption greater than 523,000 therms	\$ 939.40	(I)

Distribution Charge:

Annual consumption < 20,920 therms	\$ 0.57610 per therm	(I)
Annual consumption = > 20,920 therms and < = 523,000 therms	\$ 0.33922 per therm	(I)
Annual consumption > 523,000 therms	\$ 0.18358 per therm	(I)

The rate billed to the customer will be determined based upon the customer's actual throughput quantities, including sales and distribution, measured in therms (thm), for the most recent twelve-month period ended with the customer's October billing cycle. If a customer does not have sufficient consumption history to determine its rate based on twelve months, the rate will be developed by annualizing the consumption history available. In the instance where a customer has no consumption history, the Company will request the customer to submit estimated annual gas requirements, including sales and distribution, upon which to develop the rate. The Company in all cases retains the right to review and modify the customer's estimate where necessary. A customer's rate will remain constant annually, subject to change effective with the January billing cycle each year.

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RATE STS - SMALL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Throughout the territory served under this Tariff.

AVAILABILITY

Available to any commercial or industrial account whose transportation requirements are less than 20,920 therms annually, provided that service can be rendered within the limits of the Company's operating conditions and facilities.

CHARACTER OF SERVICE

Service furnished pursuant to this rate schedule shall be firm service, with no planned interruption.

RATE

System Charge:	\$ 55.99	(I)
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Distribution Charge:	\$ 0.57610 per therm	(I)
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PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE

Charges for all gas consumed will include the Purchased Gas Demand Component included in the monthly purchased gas adjustment clause as set forth in this tariff.

In addition, if the customer transfers to this rate from Rate GS-General Service, then for a period of twelve (12) months, the rate shall be adjusted to include the amount per therm equal to the commodity and demand ACA factors included in the monthly purchased gas adjustment clause as set forth in the monthly purchased gas adjustment clause of this tariff, plus the associated Office of People's Counsel assessment fees.

MINIMUM CHARGE

The minimum charge shall be the System Charge.

TERMS OF PAYMENT

Bills for distribution service will be rendered monthly and are due and payable upon presentation. All bills shall be paid on or before the due date of payment shown on the bill, which dates shall be not less than fifteen (15) days after presentation.

If the customer fails to pay the full amount of any bill which is Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) or more, a delayed payment penalty charge of one and one-quarter percent (1¼%) per month will accrue on the unpaid portion of such bill from the due date to the date of payment but not to exceed five percent (5%).

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RATE TS - TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Throughout the territory served under this Tariff.

AVAILABILITY

Available to any commercial or industrial customer whose transportation requirements under separately billed account(s) are at least 20,920 therms annually; however, transportation service shall not be available to a commercial or industrial customer who provides residential-type service such as master-metered apartment buildings unless such customer agrees to contract for an appropriate level of Standby Service under Rate Schedule SS of this Tariff for peak day demand, that is not protected by installed and operable alternate fuel facilities, which will enable the customer to continue to provide Human Needs services. Service is available when such customer acquires its own gas and executes a contract with the Company for a period of not less than one (1) year for delivery service in accordance with all terms and conditions of such contract.

CHARACTER OF SERVICE

Service furnished pursuant to this rate schedule shall be considered firm service on the Company's system; provided, however, that it is the customer's obligation to deliver sufficient gas supplies to the mutually agreed upon receipt point in the Company's facilities.

RATE

System Charge:

Annual consumption < = 523,000 therms	\$ 185.05	(I)
Annual consumption > 523,000 therms	\$ 939.40	(I)

Distribution Charge:

Annual consumption < = 523,000 therms	\$ 0.30249 per therm	(I)
Annual consumption > 523,000 therms	\$ 0.18358 per therm	(I)

The rate billed to the customer will be determined based upon the customer's actual throughput quantities, including sales and distribution, measured in therms (thm), for the most recent twelve-month period ended with the customer's October billing cycle. If a customer does not have sufficient consumption history to determine its rate based on twelve (12) months, the rate will be developed by annualizing the consumption history available. In the instance where a customer has no consumption history, the Company will request the customer to submit estimated annual gas requirements, including sales and distribution, upon which to develop the rate. The Company in all cases retains the right to review and modify the customer's estimate where necessary. A customer's rate will remain constant annually, subject to change effective with the January billing cycle each year.

WEATHER NORMALIZATION ADJUSTMENT PROVISION

The quantities of gas sales sold to Commercial customers under this rate schedule are subject to adjustment for weather as set forth in the Weather Normalization Adjustment provisions of the Rules and Regulations of this Tariff.

PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE (continued)

ACTUAL COST ADJUSTMENT

An Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) to reflect PGCC and PGDC under or over collections shall be computed annually, based on the twelve (12) months ended October 31 each year and shall become effective for a twelve (12) month period beginning with each January Purchased Gas Adjustment Statement. All Purchased Gas Costs incurred by the Company to serve customers pursuant to all rate schedules of this tariff, should be included in the calculation of the ACA.

A. Calculation of the Commodity ACA

1. All commodity purchased gas costs and the index price of gas purchased from distribution customers under the Banking and Balancing provisions of this tariff but excluding supplier refunds, and carrying costs for prepaid gas will be tabulated. Such costs include commodity purchased gas costs as recorded in Account Nos. 801, 803, 804 and 805.
2. Commodity gas costs revenues (excluding in all instances assessment fees) shall be computed by multiplying commodity sales quantities billed under Rates RS, GS, and IS for the applicable over/under collection period, times the quarterly PGCC of the PGA.
3. The previous year's net Commodity ACA over/under collection shall be included.
4. Any OFO and OMO charges, as described in the Operational Flow Order and Operational Matching Order sections of this tariff, during the November through October PGA period. (C)
 - a) The commodity portion of the ACA to be effective January 2021 will include \$67,664.00 plus any OFO and OMO charges realized subsequent to March 2020 through the October 2020 period. (C)
 - b) The commodity portion of the ACA to be effective January 2022 will include \$67,664.00 plus any OFO and OMO charges during the applicable November through October PGA period. (C)
 - c) The commodity portion of the ACA to be effective January 2023 will include \$67,664.00 plus any OFO and OMO charges during the applicable November through October PGA period. (C)
 - d) Beginning January 2024, the commodity portion of the ACA will include the OFO and OMO charges during the applicable November through October PGA period. (C)
5. The net amount of items 1-4 shall be divided by the estimated therm quantities for Rate Schedules RS, GS and IS during the ensuing twelve (12) months to produce a per therm rate to be reflected in the Company's quarterly PGA beginning each January.

B. Calculation of the Demand ACA

1. All purchased gas demand costs, excluding supplier refunds and the cost of capacity acquired for the purpose of providing Full Balancing Service under Option 1 of the Elective Balancing Services Rider, actually incurred by the Company to service customers shall be included as demand costs of purchased gas.
2. Demand gas costs revenues (excluding in all instances assessment fees) shall include:
 - a) An amount determined by multiplying tariff sales quantities billed under the Rate RS and Rate GS for the applicable over/undercollection period, times the quarterly PGDC of the PGA; plus,
 - b) Amounts billed under Rate STS for the recovery of demand costs of purchased gas; plus
 - c) The amounts billed under Rate SS; plus,
 - d) The amounts billed to STS and TS customers under Rider EBS-Option 2; plus,
 - e) Propane costs collected from STS customers.

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PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE (continued)

B. Calculation of the Demand ACA (continued)

3. The previous year's net Demand ACA over/under collection shall be included.
4. Any applicable interstate pipeline penalty credits received during the November through October PGA period as described in the Limited Term Adjustment for Pipeline Penalty Credits and Cash-Outs section of the Purchased Gas Adjustment Clause section of this tariff. (C)
5. The net amount of items 1-4 shall be divided by the estimated therm quantities for Rate Schedules RS, GS and STS during the ensuing twelve (12) months to produce a per therm rate to be reflected in the Company's quarterly PGA beginning each January. (C)

SHARING OF CAPACITY RELEASE REVENUE

At the end of each program year January 31, capacity release credit amounts (other than those generated by administrative releases) received by the Company will be totaled. The Company will credit amounts to the PGA calculation as determined below.

1. For capacity release credit amounts up to and including One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) per year, the PGA will be credited with 90% of the capacity release amount.
2. For capacity release credit amounts greater than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) per year, the PGA will be credited with eighty percent (80%) of such capacity release credit amount.

All amounts generated by administrative releases will be credited one hundred percent (100%) to gas cost. Administrative releases are defined as releases made by the Company for the sole purpose of transporting the Company's own system supply gas purchases, and therefore represent capacity that is being used by the Company and is not otherwise available for release.

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