

Montana Public Service Commission



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RE: Tariff Letter No. 403-G, Docket No. 2023.07.068

Enclosed please find the tariff schedules listed as follows:

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| Schedule D-RG-1 | 298 th Revised 10.1, Cancels 297 th |
| Schedule D-RGCA-1 | 70 th Revised 11.1, Cancels 69 th |
| Schedule D-GSG-1 | 293 rd Revised 20.1, Cancels 292 nd |
| Schedule D-GSGCA-1 | 67 th Revised 21.1, Cancels 66 th |
| Schedule D-FTG-1 | 67 th Revised 25.1, Cancels 66 th |
| Schedule T-FUGC-1 | 293 rd Revised 30.1, Cancels 292 nd |
| Schedule T-FTG-1 | 67 th Revised 80.1, Cancels 66 th |
| Schedule T-ITG-1 | 67 th Revised 85.1, Cancels 66 th |

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Thank you,

/s/ Tarin Slayton

Tarin Slayton
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Enclosures

NATURAL GAS TARIFF



Canceling 298th Revised Sheet No. 10.1
297th Revised Sheet No. 10.1

Schedule No. D-RG-1

DISTRIBUTION BUSINESS UNIT
RESIDENTIAL NATURAL GAS SERVICE

APPLICABILITY: Applicable to residential service, including single family dwellings and single family living units which are individually metered, in all territory served by the Utility Distribution Business Unit (Utility).

| | <u>Total Rate</u> | <u>Tax Portion of Rate</u> | <u>Rate Without Tax</u> |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| <u>RATES:</u> Net Monthly Bill: | | | |
| Monthly Service | \$6.50 | | \$6.50 |
| Charge per Meter: | | | |
| <u>PLUS:</u> | | | |
| Commodity Charges (Monthly \$/Therm) | | | |
| Distribution Charge | \$0.1961129 | \$0.0578651 | \$0.1382478 |
| Transmission Charge | \$0.1915496 | \$0.0279254 | \$0.1636242 |
| Storage Charge | \$0.0240180 | \$0.0026676 | \$0.0213504 |
| Gas Supply Charge | \$0.2857251 | \$0.0021175 | \$0.2836076 |
| Deferred Gas Cost Amortization | \$0.0000000 | | \$0.0000000 |
| DBU GTAC Amortization | \$(0.0000348) | | \$(0.0000348) |
| TBU GTAC Amortization | \$(0.0018318) | | \$(0.0018318) |
| Storage GTAC Amortization | \$0.0000000 | | \$0.0000000 |
| Total | \$0.6955390 | \$0.0905756 | \$0.6049634 |

TAX PORTION OF RATE: This rate represents the amount charged to customers for state and local taxes and fees and is separately disclosed on customer’s bill.

PLUS:

OTHER APPLICABLE CHARGES: All charges contained on other applicable rate schedules approved by the Public Service Commission of Montana.

LOW INCOME DISCOUNT: Customers of the Utility shall obtain a thirty percent (30%) discount during November 1st to April 30th from the above Regular Customer Rate(s) for residential usage, if they have satisfied the requirements for and are receiving energy assistance through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) administered by the State of Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services.

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Schedule No. D-RGCA-1

DISTRIBUTION BUSINESS UNIT
RESIDENTIAL GAS CORE AGGREGATION SERVICE

APPLICABILITY: Applicable to residential service, including single family dwellings and single family living units which are individually metered, being served under the Core Aggregation Gas Transportation Program (Program) in all territory served by the Utility Distribution Business Unit (Utility).

AVAILABILITY: Available to residential service customer loads, aggregated in accordance with Rate Schedule No. AGCT-1 and as is administratively feasible for the Utility.

| | <u>Total Rate</u> | <u>Tax Portion of Rate</u> | <u>Rate Without Tax</u> |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| <u>RATES:</u> Net Monthly Bill: | | | |
| Monthly Service Charge per Meter: | \$ 6.50 | | \$ 6.50 |
| <u>PLUS:</u> | | | |
| Commodity Charges (Monthly \$/Therm) | | | |
| Distribution Charge | \$ 0.1961129 | \$ 0.0578651 | \$ 0.1382478 |
| Transmission Charge | 0.1915496 | 0.0279254 | 0.1636242 |
| Storage Charge | 0.0240180 | 0.0026676 | 0.0213504 |
| DBU GTAC Amortization | (0.0000348) | | (0.0000348) |
| TBU GTAC Amortization | (0.0018318) | | (0.0018318) |
| Storage GTAC Amortization | 0.0000000 | | 0.0000000 |
| Total | \$ 0.4098139 | \$ 0.0884581 | \$ 0.3213558 |

TAX PORTION OF RATE: This rate represents the amount charged to customers for state and local taxes and fees and is separately disclosed on customer's bill.

PLUS:

OTHER APPLICABLE CHARGES: All charges contained on other applicable rate schedules approved by the Public Service Commission of Montana.

LOW INCOME DISCOUNT: Customers of the Utility shall obtain a thirty percent (30%) discount during November 1st to April 30th from the above Regular Customer Rate(s) for residential usage, if they have satisfied the requirements for and are receiving energy assistance through the LIEAP program administered by the State of Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services.

DEFERRED GAS COST: Pursuant to MPSC Order the above Deferred Gas Cost Amortization shall be in effect until the balance is extinguished.

GAS TRANSPORTATION ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE: Pursuant to MPSC Order the above GTAC Amortization shall be in effect until the balance is extinguished.

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NATURAL GAS TARIFF



Canceling 293rd Revised Sheet No. 20.1
292nd Revised Sheet No. 20.1

Schedule No. D-GSG-1

DISTRIBUTION BUSINESS UNIT
GENERAL NATURAL GAS SERVICE

APPLICABILITY: Applicable to commercial, industrial, multiple apartment buildings containing two or more dwelling units served through one meter, and other nonresidential core service in all territory served by the Utility Distribution Business Unit (Utility).

| | <u>Total Rate</u> | <u>Tax Portion of Rate</u> | <u>Rate Without Tax</u> |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <u>RATES:</u> Net Monthly Bill: | | | |
| Monthly Service Charge per | | | |
| Meter: | | | |
| Meters Rated @ Cu. Ft. per hour | | | |
| 0 to 300 | \$23.25 | | \$23.25 |
| 301 to 1,000 | \$30.65 | | \$30.65 |
| 1,001 to 2,000 | \$49.35 | | \$49.35 |
| 2,001 to 5,000 | \$82.90 | | \$82.90 |
| 5,001 to 10,000 | \$101.80 | | \$101.80 |
| 10,001 to 30,000 | \$160.95 | | \$160.95 |
| >30,000 | \$195.65 | | \$195.65 |

PLUS:

| Commodity Charges (Monthly \$/Therm) | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| Distribution Charge | \$0.1666580 | \$0.0441386 | \$0.1225194 |
| Transmission Charge | \$0.1730590 | \$0.0280501 | \$0.1450089 |
| Storage Charge | \$0.0222383 | \$0.0028075 | \$0.0194308 |
| Gas Supply Charge | \$0.2839798 | \$0.0021435 | \$0.2818363 |
| Deferred Gas Cost Amortization | \$0.0000000 | | \$0.0000000 |
| DBU GTAC Amortization | \$(0.0000366) | | \$(0.0000366) |
| TBU GTAC Amortization | \$(0.0019214) | | \$(0.0019214) |
| Storage GTAC Amortization | \$0.0000000 | | \$0.0000000 |
| Total | \$0.6439771 | \$0.0771397 | \$0.5668374 |

TAX PORTION OF RATE: This rate represents the amount charged to customers for state and local taxes and fees and is separately disclosed on customer's bill.

PLUS:
OTHER APPLICABLE CHARGES: All charges contained on other applicable rate schedules approved by the Public Service Commission of Montana.

DEFERRED GAS COST: Pursuant to MPSC Order the above Deferred Gas Cost Amortization shall be in effect until the balance is extinguished.

GAS TRANSPORTATION ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE: Pursuant to MPSC Order the above GTAC Amortization shall be in effect until the balance is extinguished.

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66th Revised Sheet No. 21.1

Schedule No. D-GSGCA-1

DISTRIBUTION BUSINESS UNIT
GENERAL SERVICE GAS CORE AGGREGATION

APPLICABILITY: Applicable to commercial, industrial, multiple apartment buildings containing two or more dwelling units served through one meter, and other nonresidential core service, being served under the Core Aggregation Gas Transportation Program (Program) in all territory served by the Utility Distribution Business Unit (Utility).

AVAILABILITY: Available to general service customer loads, aggregated in accordance with Rate Schedule No. AGCT-1 and as is administratively feasible for the Utility.

| | <u>Total Rate</u> | <u>Tax Portion of Rate</u> | <u>Rate Without Tax</u> |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| <u>RATES:</u> Net Monthly Bill: | | | |
| Monthly Service Charge per Meter: | | | |
| Meters Rated @ Cu. Ft. per hour | | | |
| 0 to 300 | \$ 23.25 | | \$ 23.25 |
| 301 to 1,000 | \$ 30.65 | | \$ 30.65 |
| 1,001 to 2,000 | \$ 49.35 | | \$ 49.35 |
| 2,001 to 5,000 | \$ 82.90 | | \$ 82.90 |
| 5,001 to 10,000 | \$ 101.80 | | \$ 101.80 |
| 10,001 to 30,000 | \$ 160.95 | | \$ 160.95 |
| >30,000 | \$ 195.65 | | \$ 195.65 |

PLUS:

Commodity Charges (Monthly \$/Therm)

| | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Distribution Charge | \$ 0.1666580 | \$ 0.0441386 | \$ 0.1225194 |
| Transmission Charge | 0.1730590 | 0.0280501 | 0.1450089 |
| Storage Charge | 0.0222383 | 0.0028075 | 0.0194308 |
| DBU GTAC Amortization | (0.0000366) | | (0.0000366) |
| TBU GTAC Amortization | (0.0019214) | | (0.0019214) |
| Storage GTAC Amortization | 0.0000000 | | 0.0000000 |
| Total | \$ 0.3599973 | \$ 0.0749962 | \$ 0.2850011 |

TAX PORTION OF RATE: This rate represents the amount charged to customers for state and local taxes and fees and is separately disclosed on customer's bill.

PLUS:

OTHER APPLICABLE CHARGES: All charges contained on other applicable rate schedules approved by the Public Service Commission of Montana.

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Schedule No. D-FTG-1

DISTRIBUTION BUSINESS UNIT
FIRM TRANSPORTATION NATURAL GAS SERVICE

APPLICABILITY: Applicable to Shippers for firm transportation service on the Utility Distribution System under the terms of a Gas Transportation Service Agreement (Agreement) between the Utility Distribution Business Unit (Utility) and Shipper and as subject to Rate Schedule General Terms and Operating Conditions (Rate Schedule GTC-1).

| | <u>Total Rate</u> | <u>Tax Portion of Rate</u> | <u>Rate Without Tax</u> |
|--|-------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <u>RATES:</u> Net Monthly Bill: | | | |
| Monthly Service Charge per Meter: | | | |
| Meters Rated @ | | | |
| <u>Cu. Ft. per hour</u> | | | |
| 2,000 to 5,000 | \$ 181.50 | | \$ 181.50 |
| 5,000 to 10,000 | \$ 207.45 | | \$ 207.45 |
| 10,001 to 30,000 | \$ 285.15 | | \$ 285.15 |
| >30,000 | \$ 331.10 | | \$ 331.10 |
| <u>PLUS:</u> | | | |
| Distribution Charge: (\$/MDDQ) | | | |
| Monthly Reservation Rate for Maximum Daily Delivery Quantity (MDDQ) | \$ 0.7931534 | \$ 0.2345972 | \$ 0.5585562 |
| GTAC Amortization (MDDQ) | \$ (0.0002687) | | \$ (0.0002687) |
| MINIMUM BILL: Per respective contracts. | \$ 0.0017935 | | \$ 0.0017935 |

TAX PORTION OF RATE: This rate represents the amount charged to customers for state and local taxes and fees and is separately disclosed on customer's bill.

PAYMENT: Billed amounts shall be considered past due if not paid by the due date shown on the bill. Past due bills are subject to a late payment charge in accordance with the provisions of Rate Schedule No. SGS-1.

APPLICATION OF RATES:

Monthly Bill Components: Each month, Shipper's bill shall consist of a Monthly Service Charge and a Reservation Charge.

- Monthly Service Charge: The Monthly Service Charge shall be the product of the number of delivery meters at Shipper's facility times the applicable Meter Charge(s) set forth above under RATES. If Shipper receives service under more than one rate schedule through a single meter, only one Service Charge per meter per month shall apply.

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Canceling 293rd Revised
292nd Revised

Sheet No. 30.1
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Schedule No. T-FUGC-1

TRANSPORTATION BUSINESS UNIT
FIRM UTILITY GAS CONTRACT SERVICE

APPLICABILITY: Applicable to natural gas utilities receiving service as of November 1, 1991 for Firm Utility Gas Contract Sales Service provided under terms and conditions of contracts with the Utility Transportation Business Unit (Utility) as approved by the Montana Public Service Commission.

| | <u>Total Rate</u> | <u>Tax Portion of Rate</u> | <u>Rate Without Tax</u> |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| <u>RATES:</u> Net Monthly Bill | | | |
| Monthly Service Charge per Meter: | | | |
| Meters Rated @ | | | |
| <u>Cu. Ft. per hour</u> | | | |
| 10,001 to 30,000 | \$263.15 | | \$263.15 |
| >30,000 | \$678.55 | | \$678.55 |

PLUS:

Transmission Charges:

Maximum Monthly Reservation Rate for
Maximum Daily Delivery Quantity (MDDQ)

| | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| | \$0.8575956 | \$0.2514671 | \$0.6061285 |
| Transmission Commodity Rate (Therm) | \$0.0084282 | \$0.0032289 | \$0.0051993 |
| GTAC Amortization (Therm) | \$(0.0017824) | | \$(0.0017824) |

PLUS:

Storage Charges:

Maximum Monthly Reservation Rate for
Maximum Daily Delivery Quantity (MDDQ)

| | | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | \$0.1787568 | \$0.0431082 | \$0.1356486 |
| Storage Commodity Rate (Therm) | \$0.0005255 | \$0.0001723 | \$0.0003532 |
| Storage GTAC Amortization (MDDQ) | \$0.0000000 | | \$0.0000000 |

PLUS:

Gas Supply Charges (Therm)

Deferred Gas Cost Amortization (Therm)

| | | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | \$0.2857141 | \$0.0021176 | \$0.2835965 |
| | \$0.0000000 | | \$0.0000000 |

TAX PORTION OF RATE: This rate represents the amount charged to customers for state and local taxes and fees and is separately disclosed on customer's bill.

PLUS:

OTHER APPLICABLE CHARGES: All charges contained on other applicable rate schedules approved by the Public Service Commission of Montana.

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66th Revised Sheet No. 80.1

Schedule No. T-FTG-1

TRANSPORTATION BUSINESS UNIT
FIRM TRANSPORTATION NATURAL GAS SERVICE

APPLICABILITY: Applicable to Shippers for firm transportation service on the Utility Transmission System under the terms of a Firm Gas Transportation Service Agreement (Agreement) between the Utility Transportation Business Unit (Utility) and Shipper and as subject to Rate Schedule General Terms and Operating Conditions (Rate Schedule GTC-1).

Table with 4 columns: Description, Total Rate, Tax Portion of Rate, Rate Without Tax. Rows include Net Monthly Bill, Monthly Service Charge per Meter (5,000 to 10,000, 10,001 to 30,000, >30,000).

PLUS:

Transmission Reservation Rate (MDDQ):

Maximum Monthly Reservation Rate for Maximum Daily Delivery Quantity (MDDQ)

\$ 1.0282970 \$ 0.2092458 \$ 0.8190512

Transmission Commodity Rate (Therm):

Maximum

\$ 0.0060115 \$ 0.0018241 \$ 0.0041874

Minimum

\$ 0.0017935 \$ 0.0017935

GTAC Amortization

\$ (0.0013374) \$ (0.0013374)

Balancing Penalty Rate

Higher of \$25.00/ Dekatherm Or 150% of Market Price

TAX PORTION OF RATE: This rate represents the amount charged to customers for state and local taxes and fees and is separately disclosed on customer's bill.

PLUS:

OTHER APPLICABLE CHARGES: All charges contained on other applicable rate schedules approved by the Public Service Commission of Montana.

GAS TRANSPORTATION ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE: Pursuant to MPSC Order the above GTAC Amortization shall be in effect until the balance is extinguished.

MINIMUM BILL: Per respective contracts.

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66th Revised Sheet No. 85.1

Schedule No. T-ITG-1

TRANSPORTATION BUSINESS UNIT
INTERRUPTIBLE TRANSPORTATION NATURAL GAS SERVICE

APPLICABILITY: Applicable to Shippers for interruptible transportation service on the Utility Transmission System under the terms of an Interruptible Gas Transportation Service Agreement (Agreement) between the Utility Transportation Business Unit (Utility) and Shipper and as subject to Rate Schedule General Terms and Operating Conditions (Rate Schedule GTC-1).

| | <u>Total Rate</u> | <u>Tax Portion of Rate</u> | <u>Rate Without Tax</u> |
|-----------------------------------|---|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| <u>RATES:</u> Net Monthly Bill: | | | |
| Monthly Service Charge per Meter: | | | |
| Meters Rated @ | | | |
| <u>Cu. Ft. per hour</u> | | | |
| 5,000 to 10,000 | \$ 247.00 | | \$ 247.00 |
| 10,001 to 30,000 | \$ 354.90 | | \$ 354.90 |
| >30,000 | \$ 787.50 | | \$ 787.50 |
| <u>PLUS:</u> | | | |
| Transmission Charge (Therm): | | | |
| Maximum: | | | |
| Transmission Commodity Rate | \$ 0.0384778 | \$ 0.0087030 | \$ 0.0297748 |
| Minimum: | | | |
| Transmission Commodity Rate | \$ 0.0017935 | | \$ 0.0017935 |
| Balancing Penalty Rate | Higher of \$25.00/ Dekatherm Or 150% of Market Price | | |
| Unauthorized System Use Rate | \$ 25.00 | | |

MINIMUM BILL: Per respective contracts.

TAX PORTION OF RATE: This rate represents the amount charged to customers for state and local taxes and fees and is separately disclosed on customer's bill.

PLUS:

OTHER APPLICABLE CHARGES: All charges contained on other applicable rate schedules approved by the Public Service Commission of Montana.

PAYMENT: Billed amounts shall be considered past due if not paid by the due date shown on the bill. Past due bills are subject to a late payment charge in accordance with the provisions of Rate Schedule No. SGS-1.

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