



June 26, 2024

Mr. Will Rosquist  
Chief Regulator  
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**Re: Tariff Letter No. 403-G, Docket No. 2023.07.068, Interim Order No. 7951**

This letter is pursuant to Montana Public Service Commission (Commission) Interim Order No. 7951 issued on June 25, 2024 in Docket No. 2023.07.068, regarding NorthWestern Corporation d/b/a/ NorthWestern Energy's ("NorthWestern") Annual Natural Gas Supply Tracker Filing and gas transportation adjustment clause balance as of April 30, 2024.

In accordance with Interim Order No. 7951, these rates will become effective for service on and after July 1, 2024. Below are the Natural Gas tariff sheets being filed for Commission approval.

<u>NWE Sheet Number</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>	<u>Canceling NWE Sheet Number</u>
298 <sup>th</sup> Revised 10.1	Residential Natural Gas Service	297 <sup>th</sup> Revised 10.1
70 <sup>th</sup> Revised 11.1	Residential Gas Core Aggregation Service	69 <sup>th</sup> Revised 11.1
293 <sup>rd</sup> Revised 20.1	General Natural Gas Service	292 <sup>nd</sup> Revised 20.1
67 <sup>th</sup> Revised 21.1	General Service Gas Core Aggregation Service	66 <sup>th</sup> Revised 21.1
67 <sup>th</sup> Revised 25.1	DBU – Firm Transportation Natural Gas	66 <sup>th</sup> Revised 25.1
293 <sup>rd</sup> Revised 30.1	Firm Utility Gas Contract Service	292 <sup>nd</sup> Revised 30.1
67 <sup>th</sup> Revised 80.1	TBU – Firm Transportation Natural Gas	66 <sup>th</sup> Revised 80.1
67 <sup>th</sup> Revised 85.1	TBU – Interruptible Transportation Natural Gas	66 <sup>th</sup> Revised 85.1



Please return an electronic copy of these tariff sheets to NorthWestern after they have been certified and signed.

If there are any questions, please call me at (406) 497-2609.

Sincerely,

*Glenda Gibson*

**Glenda Gibson**  
Manager, Regulatory Compliance

Enclosures

NATURAL GAS TARIFF



Canceling 298th Revised  
297th Revised

Sheet No. 10.1  
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>
<b><u>RATES:</u></b> Net Monthly Bill:			
Monthly Service	\$6.50		\$6.50
Charge per Meter:			
 <b><u>PLUS:</u></b>			
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 1<sup>st</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup> 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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Canceling 70th Revised Sheet No. 11.1
69th Revised Sheet No. 11.1

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.

Table with 4 columns: Description, Total Rate, Tax Portion of Rate, Rate Without Tax. Rows include Net Monthly Bill, Monthly Service Charge per Meter, and various commodity charges (Distribution, Transmission, Storage, DBU GTAC, TBU GTAC, Storage GTAC) with a Total row.

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  
292nd Revised

Sheet No. 20.1  
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
<u>PLUS:</u>			
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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Canceling 67<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 21.1  
66<sup>th</sup> 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

<u>PLUS:</u>			
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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Canceling 67th Revised Sheet No. 25.1
66th Revised Sheet No. 25.1

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).

Table with 4 columns: Description, Total Rate, Tax Portion of Rate, Rate Without Tax. Rows include Net Monthly Bill, Monthly Service Charge per Meter (Meters Rated @ Cu. Ft. per hour) with rates for 2,000 to 5,000, 5,000 to 10,000, 10,001 to 30,000, and >30,000.

PLUS:

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.

- 1. 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  
Sheet No. 30.1

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>
<b>RATES:</b>			
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
<b>PLUS:</b>			
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)
<b>PLUS:</b>			
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
<b>PLUS:</b>			
Gas Supply Charges (Therm)	\$0.2857141	\$0.0021176	\$0.2835965
Deferred Gas Cost Amortization (Therm)	\$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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Canceling 67th Revised Sheet No. 80.1
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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Canceling 67th Revised Sheet No. 85.1
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).

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 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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