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—VIA ELECTRONIC FILING—

August 30, 2012

Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol Building, Dept. 408
600 East Boulevard
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0480

RE: COST OF GAS RIDER CHANGE

Executive Secretary:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, is filing this COG for gas used on and after September 1, 2012 in North Dakota. The attached schedules show the new gas cost supporting worksheets and applicable pipeline tariff sheets.

The net effect of the COG is a decrease to the Residential rate by \$0.01894 per therm from the August COG gas rate, 5.42%, or \$0.28 for a typical September North Dakota Residential customer using 15 therms. Compared to August, the Commercial/Industrial price is 3.77% lower and the Interruptible prices are 11.15-12.24% lower.

The decrease is a result of decreased commodity costs. The commodity costs decreased due to forecasted near-term natural gas demand decline due to the weather. Compared to last September, prices are 19-29% lower.

The 2011 – 2012 Annual True-up of Gas Costs and Auditor's Report are being filed concurrently with the COG. The true-up factors are higher for the Residential and Commercial/Industrial classes and lower for the Interruptible classes. This moderately affected the gas costs; higher for Residential and Commercial/Industrial classes, and lower for the Interruptible classes.

The cost-of-gas rates for September are as follows:

| <u>Customer Class:</u> | <u>\$/therm</u> |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Residential | \$0.33045 |
| Commercial/Industrial | \$0.33677 |
| Small & Large Interruptible | \$0.27963 |

Please contact Martha Hoschmiller at martha.e.hoschmiller@xcelenergy.com or (612)330-5973 or me at paul.lehman@xcelenergy.com or (612)330-7529 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/

PAUL LEHMAN
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Northern States Power Company
RETAIL BILLING RATES - NORTH DAKOTA
 September 1, 2012

Schedule A
 Page 1 of 3

| Class | Component | Distribution Charge | Cost of Gas | Total Rate |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------------|-------------|------------|
| Residential | Basic Service | \$18.48 | | \$18.48 |
| | Commodity | \$0.00000 | \$0.33045 | \$0.33045 |
| Commercial/Industrial | Basic Service | \$30.00 | | \$30.00 |
| | Commodity | \$0.10800 | \$0.33677 | \$0.44477 |
| Small Interruptible | Basic Service | \$75.00 | | \$75.00 |
| | Commodity | \$0.08800 | \$0.27963 | \$0.36763 |
| Large Interruptible | Basic Service | \$275.00 | | \$275.00 |
| | Commodity | \$0.05120 | \$0.27963 | \$0.33083 |

Units:

Customer Charge - \$ per month

Commodity Charge - \$ per therm

COST OF GAS SUMMARY BY CLASS - NORTH DAKOTA

September 1, 2012

| | | NATURAL GAS COST COMPONENT | | |
|---------------------|-----|----------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Cost Summary | Ref | Prior Cost | Current Adjusts | Current Cost |
| Annual Demand | (a) | 0.04471 | -0.00127 | 0.04344 |
| <u>Commodity</u> | | | | |
| Residential | (b) | 0.31205 | -0.03988 | 0.27217 |
| C & I | (b) | 0.31205 | -0.03988 | 0.27217 |
| Sm Interruptible | (b) | 0.31205 | -0.03988 | 0.27217 |
| Large Interruptible | (b) | 0.31205 | -0.03988 | 0.27217 |

| BILLING COST OF GAS BY CLASS (From Column 3) | | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Class Summary | Residential | C&I | Small Interruptible | Large Interruptible |
| Annual Demand | 0.04344 | 0.04344 | N / A | N / A |
| Commodity | 0.27217 | 0.27217 | 0.27217 | 0.27217 |
| SUBTOTAL | 0.31561 | 0.31561 | 0.27217 | 0.27217 |
| TRUE-UP | 0.01484 | 0.02116 | 0.00746 | 0.00746 |
| TOTAL COG | 0.33045 | 0.33677 | 0.27963 | 0.27963 |

| | <u>12-Month Cost</u> | <u>Winter Cost</u> | Total Cost |
|--|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| <u>Demand Cost (Residential and Commercial Firm)</u> | | | |
| 1. System Demand Detail Total | \$29,956,547 | \$27,825,018 | |
| 2. <u>x North Dakota Design Day Ratio</u> | <u>10.64%</u> | <u>10.64%</u> | |
| 3. North Dakota System Demand Allocation | \$3,187,377 | \$2,960,582 | |
| 4. ND Annual / Seasonal Firm Therm Sales (Forecast) | 73,370,924 | 55,181,550 | |
| 5. Demand Unit Cost \$/Therm | \$0.04344 | \$0.00000 | \$0.04344 (a) |
| <u>Commodity Cost</u> | | | |
| 6. NNG Annual/Best Effort/Viking/WBI/Xcel Energy Peakshaving | | | \$6,726,330 |
| 7. <u>x ND Portion of Monthly Retail Sales</u> | | | <u>11.90%</u> |
| 8. ND Portion of Monthly Commodity Costs | | | \$800,433 |
| 9. ND Budgeted Calendar Month Retail Therm Sales | | | 2,940,927 |
| 10. Commodity Unit Cost \$/Therm (8 / 9) | | | \$0.27217 (b) |
| 11. Hedging Cost per Therm (informational) | \$0.00000 | | |
| <u>Total Gas Cost per Therm</u> | | | |
| 12. Residential/Commercial & Industrial | | | \$0.31561 (a) + (b) |
| 13. Small and Large Interruptible Commodity | | | \$0.27217 (b) |

MONTHLY TRUE-UP ESTIMATE OF GAS COST RECOVERY - NORTH DAKOTA

July 2012 through July 2012

| | 2012 | | | | | | 2013 | | | | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|------------|-------------|
| | <u>July</u> | <u>August</u> | <u>September</u> | <u>October</u> | <u>November</u> | <u>December</u> | <u>January</u> | <u>February</u> | <u>March</u> | <u>April</u> | <u>May</u> | <u>June</u> |
| ND Gas Cost Recovery | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Residential | \$130,550 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Commercial & Industrial | \$301,196 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Small Interruptible | \$60,907 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| <u>Large Interruptible</u> | <u>\$299,330</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |
| Total | \$791,984 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| MN-Company Gas Costs | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Demand | \$3,944,568 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Commodity | \$5,243,400 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| <u>Peak Shaving</u> | <u>\$128,036</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |
| Total Costs | \$9,316,005 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| ND Allocation Factors | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Weighted Avg Demand * | 0.1064 | 0.1064 | 0.1064 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 |
| Commodity (Monthly Sales) | 0.1356 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 |
| Peak Shaving (Monthly Sales) | 0.1356 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 |
| ND Gas Costs | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Demand | \$419,702 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Commodity | \$711,005 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| <u>Peak Shaving</u> | <u>\$17,362</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |
| Total Costs | \$1,148,069 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Over (Under) Recovery | (\$356,085) | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Deferred Tax (@40.73%) | (\$145,033) | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Net Balance | (\$211,052) | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Cumulative Net Balance | (\$211,052) | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Interest Rate | 0.10% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Monthly Interest | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Cumulative Interest | | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

* Wtd Average of Design Day (Sched A, Pg 3)

RATE SCHEDULES FTS-1, FTS-4, FTS-4L
 MATRIX OF BASE TARIFF TRANSMISSION RATES PER DTH BY ROUTE
 EXCLUSIVE OF ADDITIONAL CHARGES OR SURCHARGES

| RECEIVED FROM | DELIVERED TO | SOUTHEAST | | | SOUTHWEST | | | NORTHERN |
|----------------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| | | S.E. Area (SE) | Southern Segment (ML-2) | Central Segment (ML-3) | S.W. Area (SW) | Southern Segment (ML-5) | Central Segment (ML-6) | Segment (ML-7) |
| SOUTHEAST AREA (SE) | - Res | \$1.7500 | \$6.5000 | \$8.2500 | \$14.7500 | \$12.7500 | \$11.2500 | \$9.7500 |
| | - Cmd | 0.0020 | 0.0105 | 0.0125 | 0.0225 | 0.0175 | 0.0160 | 0.0140 |
| | - MIN | 0.0020 | 0.0105 | 0.0125 | 0.0225 | 0.0175 | 0.0160 | 0.0140 |
| | - Ovrn | 0.0595 | 0.2242 | 0.2837 | 0.5074 | 0.4367 | 0.3859 | 0.3345 |
| SE - Southern (ML-2) | - Res | \$6.5000 | \$4.7500 | \$6.5000 | \$13.0000 | \$11.0000 | \$9.5000 | \$8.0000 |
| | - Cmd | 0.0105 | 0.0085 | 0.0105 | 0.0205 | 0.0155 | 0.0140 | 0.0120 |
| | - MIN | 0.0105 | 0.0085 | 0.0105 | 0.0205 | 0.0155 | 0.0140 | 0.0120 |
| | - Ovrn | 0.2242 | 0.1647 | 0.2242 | 0.4479 | 0.3771 | 0.3263 | 0.2750 |
| SE - Central (ML-3) | - Res | \$8.2500 | \$6.5000 | \$4.5000 | \$11.0000 | \$9.0000 | \$7.5000 | \$6.0000 |
| | - Cmd | 0.0125 | 0.0105 | 0.0080 | 0.0180 | 0.0130 | 0.0115 | 0.0095 |
| | - MIN | 0.0125 | 0.0105 | 0.0080 | 0.0180 | 0.0130 | 0.0115 | 0.0095 |
| | - Ovrn | 0.2837 | 0.2242 | 0.1559 | 0.3796 | 0.3089 | 0.2581 | 0.2068 |
| SOUTHWEST AREA (SW) | - Res | \$14.7500 | \$13.0000 | \$11.0000 | \$2.0000 | \$6.2500 | \$7.7500 | \$9.2500 |
| | - Cmd | 0.0225 | 0.0205 | 0.0180 | 0.0050 | 0.0125 | 0.0145 | 0.0160 |
| | - MIN | 0.0225 | 0.0205 | 0.0180 | 0.0050 | 0.0125 | 0.0145 | 0.0160 |
| | - Ovrn | 0.5074 | 0.4479 | 0.3796 | 0.0706 | 0.2180 | 0.2693 | 0.3201 |
| SW - Southern (ML-5) | - Res | \$12.7500 | \$11.0000 | \$9.0000 | \$6.2500 | \$4.2500 | \$5.7500 | \$7.2500 |
| | - Cmd | 0.0175 | 0.0155 | 0.0130 | 0.0125 | 0.0075 | 0.0095 | 0.0110 |
| | - MIN | 0.0175 | 0.0155 | 0.0130 | 0.0125 | 0.0075 | 0.0095 | 0.0110 |
| | - Ovrn | 0.4367 | 0.3771 | 0.3089 | 0.2180 | 0.1472 | 0.1985 | 0.2494 |
| SW - Central (ML-6) | - Res | \$11.2500 | \$9.5000 | \$7.5000 | \$7.7500 | \$5.7500 | \$4.2500 | \$5.7500 |
| | - Cmd | 0.0160 | 0.0140 | 0.0115 | 0.0145 | 0.0095 | 0.0080 | 0.0095 |
| | - MIN | 0.0160 | 0.0140 | 0.0115 | 0.0145 | 0.0095 | 0.0080 | 0.0095 |
| | - Ovrn | 0.3859 | 0.3263 | 0.2581 | 0.2693 | 0.1985 | 0.1477 | 0.1985 |
| NORTHERN (ML-7) | - Res | \$9.7500 | \$8.0000 | \$6.0000 | \$9.2500 | \$7.2500 | \$5.7500 | \$4.2500 |
| | - Cmd | 0.0140 | 0.0120 | 0.0095 | 0.0160 | 0.0110 | 0.0095 | 0.0075 |
| | - MIN | 0.0140 | 0.0120 | 0.0095 | 0.0160 | 0.0110 | 0.0095 | 0.0075 |
| | - Ovrn | 0.3345 | 0.2750 | 0.2068 | 0.3201 | 0.2494 | 0.1985 | 0.1472 |

General Notes:

All rates shown combine area and segment rates for each route, utilizing the transmission rates set forth in Section 4.12 and represent maximum rates unless designated as minimum firm service rates (MIN).

The rates shown are subject to all applicable reservation and volumetric charges or surcharges, under Sections 6.24 and 6.26 of the General Terms and Conditions of this Tariff. Sections 4.16 and 4.20 reflect the applicable charges and surcharges under these Sections.

RATE SCHEDULES FSS & DDS
 STATEMENT OF RATES FOR STORAGE OF NATURAL GAS

| | Maximum Rate per Dth ----- | Minimum Rate per Dth ----- | Maximum Daily Capacity Release Rate per Dth ----- |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| RATE SCHEDULE FSS 1/ ----- | | | |
| With Ratchets and Seasonal Entitlements ----- | | | |
| 1. Reservation Rate | | | |
| a. Deliverability Rate | \$ 2.04 | \$ 0 | \$ 0.0671 |
| b. Capacity Rate | \$.4000 | \$ 0 | \$ 0.0011 |
| 2. Commodity Rate | | | |
| Injection/Withdrawal | \$ 0.0126 | \$ 0.0126 | |
| 3. Overrun Service Rate | 2/ | \$ 0.0126 | |
| With Ratchets and Flexible Entitlements ----- | | | |
| 1. Reservation Rate | | | |
| a. Deliverability Rate | \$ 2.45 | \$ 0 | \$ 0.0805 |
| b. Capacity Rate | \$.4000 | \$ 0 | \$ 0.0011 |
| 2. Commodity Rate | | | |
| Injection/Withdrawal | \$ 0.0126 | \$ 0.0126 | |
| 3. Overrun Service Rate | 2/ | \$ 0.0126 | |
| Without Ratchets and Seasonal Entitlements ----- | | | |
| 1. Reservation Rate | | | |
| a. Deliverability Rate | \$ 2.60 | \$ 0 | \$ 0.0855 |
| b. Capacity Rate | \$.4000 | \$ 0 | \$ 0.0011 |
| 2. Commodity Rate | | | |
| Injection/Withdrawal | \$ 0.0126 | \$ 0.0126 | |
| 3. Overrun Service Rate | 2/ | \$ 0.0126 | |
| Without Ratchets and Flexible Entitlements ----- | | | |
| 1. Reservation Rate | | | |
| a. Deliverability Rate | \$ 3.00 | \$ 0 | \$ 0.0986 |
| b. Capacity Rate | \$.4000 | \$ 0 | \$ 0.0011 |
| 2. Commodity Rate | | | |
| Injection/Withdrawal | \$ 0.0126 | \$ 0.0126 | |
| 3. Overrun Service Rate | 2/ | \$ 0.0126 | |
| RATE SCHEDULE DDS 3/ ----- | | | |
| 1. Storage Commodity Rate | \$.0874 | \$ 0.0126 | |

STATEMENT OF DEFERRED TRANSPORTATION COST ADJUSTMENT (1)

| RATE SCHEDULE | RATE ADJUSTMENTS PER DTH (2) |
|---|--|
| ----- | |
| <u>MAINLINE - ACCESS RATE ADJUSTMENTS FOR ETS, FTS-1, FTS-2, FTS-4, FTS-4L AND ITS SERVICES</u> | |
| FTS-1, FTS-4, FTS-4L & ETS | Reservation (\$0.0800) Commodity (\$0.0004) |
| FTS-2 | Reservation (\$0.0530) Commodity (\$0.0013) |
| ITS | Commodity (\$0.0030) |
| <u>RATE ADJUSTMENTS FOR FTS-3 AND ITS-3 SERVICES</u> | |
| FTS-3 | Deliverability (\$0.0400) Capacity (\$0.0013) Commodity (\$0.0004) |
| FTS-3 (Enhancement Service Option) | Deliverability (\$0.0235) Capacity (\$0.0008) Commodity (\$0.0002) |
| FTS-3 (2-Hour Notice Service Option) | Deliverability (\$0.0215) Capacity (\$0.0007) Commodity (\$0.0006) |
| ITS-3 | Commodity (\$0.0152) |
| <u>RATE ADJUSTMENTS FOR MBS AND NNS SERVICES</u> | |
| MBS | Daily Delivery (All Segments) (\$0.0023) Capacity (\$0.0004) Commodity (All Segments) (\$0.0008) Overrun (\$0.0052) |
| NNS | Reservation (\$0.0900) Commodity (\$0.0008) Overrun (\$0.0052) |
| <u>RATE ADJUSTMENTS FOR IPLS AND IWS SERVICES</u> | |
| IPLS | Commodity (\$0.0030) |
| IWS | Commodity (\$0.0030) |

STATEMENT OF RATES FOR STORAGE OF NATURAL GAS

| RATE SCHEDULE FS ----- | Maximum Rate per Dth ----- | Minimum Rate per Dth ----- |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Reservation Rate | | |
| a. Deliverability – Monthly | \$ 1.91998 | \$ 0 |
| b. Capacity – Monthly | \$ 0.01959 | \$ 0 |
| c. Deliverability - Daily (3)(4) | \$ 0.06312 | \$ 0 |
| d. Capacity - Daily (3)(4) | \$ 0.00064 | \$ 0 |
| 2. Injection/Withdrawal Commodity Rate | \$ 0.00804 | \$ 0.00804 |
| 3. Overrun Service Rate (1) | \$ 0.06729 | \$ 0.00804 |

| RATE SCHEDULE IS ----- | Maximum Rate per Dth ----- | Minimum Rate per Dth ----- |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Commodity Rate | \$ 0.06729 | \$ 0.00804 |

| SURCHARGE APPLICABLE TO FS AND IS SERVICE (2) ----- | Maximum Rate per Dth ----- | Minimum Rate per Dth ----- |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. ACA | \$ 0.0018 | \$ 0.0018 |

Rate Schedules FS and IS

| | |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Seller's Injection Use | 1.3 % |
| Seller's Withdrawal Use | 0.2 % |

- (1) See Section 5.1.4.2 of Rate Schedule FS for definition.
 (2) See Section 5.1.5 of Rate Schedule FS and Section 5.2.5 of Rate Schedule IS for applicability.
 (3) Rates applicable for Volumetric Rate Capacity Release.
 (4) See Section 6.1 paragraph 9 of the General Terms and Conditions of this Tariff.

GREAT LAKES GAS TRANSMISSION LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

Open Access Rates
 Firm Transportation Service
 Rate Schedule FT 6/ 7/

| | Western Zone 1/ 2/ 3/ Deliveries ----- (Rates per Dth) | Central Zone 1/ 2/ 3/ Deliveries ----- (Rates per Dth) | Eastern Zone 1/ 2/ 3/ Deliveries ----- (Rates per Dth) |
|---|--|--|--|
| Receipts in Western Zone - ----- | | | |
| Reservation Fee | \$3.181 | \$5.298 | \$9.456 |
| Utilization Fee | 0.00326 | 0.00616 | 0.01080 |
| Max. Volumetric Rate at 100% L.F. 4/ 5/ | 0.10458 | 0.17418 | 0.31088 |
| Receipts in Central Zone - ----- | | | |
| Reservation Fee | \$5.298 | \$2.733 | \$6.891 |
| Utilization Fee | 0.00616 | 0.00290 | 0.00754 |
| Max. Volumetric Rate at 100% L.F. 4/ 5/ | 0.17418 | 0.08985 | 0.22655 |
| Receipts in Eastern Zone - ----- | | | |
| Reservation Fee | \$9.456 | \$6.891 | \$4.774 |
| Utilization Fee | 0.01080 | 0.00754 | 0.00464 |
| Max. Volumetric Rate at 100% L.F. 4/ 5/ | 0.31088 | 0.22655 | 0.15695 |

Limited Firm Transportation Service
 Rate Schedule LFT 1/ 2/ 3/ 4/ 5/ 6/ 7/

The rates shown above for Service under Rate Schedule FT shall also be applicable to Service under Rate Schedule LFT except that the maximum Reservation Fee shall be adjusted to reflect the appropriate number of Days that Service shall be available utilizing the following formula, rounded to 3 decimal places: $LFT = FT \times ((TD - UD)/TD)$ where:

- LFT = LFT Reservation Fee
- FT = Applicable FT Reservation Fee
- TD = Number of Days during Agreement Term
- UD = Number of Unavailable Days

RATE SCHEDULE TF

| RESERVATION RATES | MARKET-TO-MARKET | | | FIELD-TO-FIELD/MARKET DEMARCATION |
|----------------------|------------------|---------------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| | TF12 Base | TF12 Variable | TF5 | TFF |
| Base Tariff Rates 1/ | | | | |
| Summer (Apr-Oct) | 5.683 | 5.683 | -0- | 5.473 |
| Winter (Nov-Mar) | 10.230 | 13.866 | 15.153 | 9.853 |

| COMMODITY RATES 2/ | | Market Area 3/ | | Field Mileage 5/ | | Carlton Surcharge 4/ | | Out-of Balance 3/ | |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|---------|------------------|---------|----------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|
| Receipt Point | Delivery Point | Maximum | Minimum | Maximum | Minimum | Maximum | Minimum | Maximum | Minimum |
| Market | Market | 0.0378 | 0.0209 | | | 0.0175 | 0.0000 | 0.0378 | 0.0209 |
| Field | Market | 0.0378 | 0.0209 | 0.0122 | 0.0040 | 0.0175 | 0.0000 | | |
| Market | Field | | | 0.0122 | 0.0040 | | | | |
| Field | Field | | | 0.0122 | 0.0040 | | | 0.0294 | 0.0108 |

- 1/ The minimum reservation rate is equal to zero.
- 2/ The applicable Mileage Indicator Districts (MIDs) billing rate will be added to the TF rates for volumes received in the Field Area, or received in the Market Area and delivered to the Field Area. The MIDs rates shown on Sheet Nos. 59-60A represent the total maximum Field Area throughput commodity rates for any transaction involving MIDs. For volumes transported through Northern's Ft. Buford compressor station, the commodity rate, fuel and unaccounted for apply only to volumes that are not ultimately confirmed for re-delivery into Northern's Market Area.
- 3/ Maximum and Minimum rates include ACA of \$0.0018 and the Market Area Electric Compression charge of \$0.0001 where applicable.
- 4/ Applicable to Market Area shippers as provided for in the Carlton Settlement filed in Docket No. RP96-347 dated October 28, 1996.
- 5/ Where Applicable, Field Area Electric Compression charge of \$0.0000 and ACA will be added to the mileage based rates.

RATE SCHEDULES TFX and LFT

| RESERVATION RATES | | MARKET-TO-MARKET | | FIELD-TO-FIELD | | | | | |
|----------------------|--|------------------|----------|----------------|---------|--|--|--|--|
| | | Apr-Oct | Nov-Mar | Apr-Oct | Nov-Mar | | | | |
| Base Tariff Rates 1/ | | \$5.683 | \$15.153 | \$5.473 | \$9.853 | | | | |

| COMMODITY RATES 2/ TFX and LFT | | Market Area 3/ | | Field Mileage 5/ Rate per 100 miles | | Carlton Surcharge 4/ | | Out-of-Balance 3/ | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------|--|---------|-------------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|
| Receipt Point | Delivery Point | Maximum | Minimum | Maximum | Minimum | Maximum | Minimum | Maximum | Minimum |
| Market | Market | 0.0378 | 0.0209 | | | 0.0175 | 0.0000 | 0.0378 | 0.0209 |
| Field | Market | 0.0378 | 0.0209 | 0.0122 | 0.0040 | 0.0175 | 0.0000 | | |
| Market | Field | | | 0.0122 | 0.0040 | | | | |
| Field | Field | | | 0.0122 | 0.0040 | | | 0.0294 | 0.0108 |

| GULF COAST | | Reservation 1/ | | Commodity 6/ | | Out-of-Balance 6/ | |
|---------------------|--|----------------|---------|--------------|---------|-------------------|---------|
| | | Maximum | Minimum | Maximum | Minimum | Maximum | Minimum |
| MOPS Gathering | | 1.0514 | 0.0000 | 0.0018 | 0.0018 | 0.0018 | 0.0018 |
| MOPS Transmission | | 1.5337 | 0.0000 | 0.0018 | 0.0018 | 0.0018 | 0.0018 |
| Tivoli - Downstream | | 0.6827 | 0.0000 | 0.0018 | 0.0018 | 0.0018 | 0.0018 |
| Other Gulf Coast | | 4.8169 | 0.0000 | 0.0018 | 0.0018 | 0.0018 | 0.0018 |

- 1/ The minimum reservation rate is equal to zero.
- 2/ The applicable Mileage Indicator Districts (MIDs) billing rate will be added to the TF rates for volumes received in the Field Area, or received in the Market Area and delivered to the Field Area. The MIDs rates shown on Sheet Nos. 59-60A represent the total maximum Field Area throughput commodity rates for any transaction involving MIDs. For volumes transported through Northern's Ft. Buford compressor station, the commodity rate, fuel and unaccounted for apply only to volumes that are not ultimately confirmed for re-delivery into Northern's Market Area.
- 3/ Maximum and Minimum rates include ACA of \$0.0018 and the Market Area Electric Compression charge of \$0.0001 where applicable.
- 4/ Applicable to Market Area shippers as provided for in the Carlton Settlement filed in Docket No. RP96-347 dated October 28, 1996.
- 5/ Where applicable, Field Area Compression charge of \$0.0000 and ACA will be added to the mileage based rates.
- 6/ Maximum and Minimum rates include ACA of \$0.0018.

RATE SCHEDULES FDD, PDD, IDD & SMS

Rate Schedule FDD

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------|----|
| Maximum Reservation Fee | 1.7140 | 1/ |
| Maximum Capacity Fee | 0.3567 | 1/ |
| Injection Charge - Firm | 0.0149 | |
| Withdrawal Charge - Firm | 0.0149 | |
| Annual Rollover Fee | 0.3567 | 1/ |

Rate Schedule PDD

| | | |
|----------------------------------|--------|----|
| Maximum Capacity Fee | 0.3567 | 1/ |
| Maximum Monthly Inventory Charge | 0.0887 | 1/ |
| Injection Charge | 0.0149 | |
| Withdrawal Charge | 0.0149 | |
| Annual Rollover Fee | 0.3567 | 1/ |

Rate Schedule IDD

| | | |
|----------------------------------|--------|----|
| Maximum Monthly Inventory Charge | 0.0887 | 1/ |
| Injection Charge | 0.0149 | |
| Withdrawal Charge | 0.0149 | |
| Annual Rollover Fee | 0.3567 | 1/ |

Rate Schedule SMS

| | | |
|-----------------|--------|--|
| Reservation Fee | 2.1800 | |
| Commodity Rate | 0.0208 | |

1/ Minimum Rate is zero.

STATEMENT OF RATES
 (Rates Per Dekatherm)

Currently Effective Term-Differentiated Rates

| Rate Schedule | Base Tariff Rate |
|---|------------------------|
| Category 1 (Contract Term of Less than 3 Years) | |
| Monthly Reservation Rates | |
| FT-A | |
| Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate | \$3.7671 |
| Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate | \$0.0000 |
| Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate | \$4.8871 |
| Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate | \$0.0000 |
| Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate | \$2.1400 |
| Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate | \$0.0000 |
| Category 2 (Contract Term of 3 Years to less than 5 Years) | |
| Monthly Reservation Rates | |
| FT-A | |
| Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate | \$3.6171 |
| Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate | \$0.0000 |
| Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate | \$4.7371 |
| Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate | \$0.0000 |
| Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate | \$1.9900 |
| Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate | \$0.0000 |
| Category 3 (Contract Term of 5 or more Years) | |
| Monthly Reservation Rates | |
| FT-A | |
| Zone 1-1 Maximum Rate | \$3.4671 |
| Zone 1-1 Minimum Rate | \$0.0000 |
| Zone 1-2 Maximum Rate | \$4.5871 |
| Zone 1-2 Minimum Rate | \$0.0000 |
| Zone 2-2 Maximum Rate | \$1.8400 |
| Zone 2-2 Minimum Rate | \$0.0000 |

| Rate Schedule | Base Tariff Rate | Adjustment Under Section 19 1/ | Rate After Current Adjustment | Fuel and Loss Retention Percentages 2/ |
|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Commodity Rates | | | | |
| FT-A – Maximum Rates | | | | |
| Zone 1-1 | \$0.0130 | \$0.0018 | \$0.0148 | 1.16% |
| Zone 1-2 | \$0.0130 | \$0.0018 | \$0.0148 | 1.52% |
| Zone 2-2 | \$0.0130 | \$0.0018 | \$0.0148 | 0.36% |
| Minimum Rate | \$0.0130 | \$0.0018 | \$0.0148 | |
| IT and AOT | | | | |
| Zone 1-1 | \$0.1368 | \$0.0018 | \$0.1386 | 1.16% |
| Zone 1-2 | \$0.1737 | \$0.0018 | \$0.1755 | 1.52% |
| Zone 2-2 | \$0.0834 | \$0.0018 | \$0.0852 | 0.36% |
| Minimum Rate | \$0.0130 | \$0.0018 | \$0.0148 | |

1/ Pursuant to Section 19 of the General Terms and Conditions, the Annual Charge Adjustment (ACA) Surcharge of \$0.0018 per Dekatherm shall be added to other charges under Company's Rate Schedules.

2/ Fuel and Losses Retention Percentages shall be applicable to all transportation rate schedules.

Transportation Fuel and Loss Retention Percentages are inclusive of the following percentages for Gas Lost and Unaccounted For: 0.18% for Zone 1-1, 0.23 % for Zone 1-2, and 0.05% for Zone 2-2. Transportation entirely by backhaul will incur only the Gas Lost and Unaccounted for percentages.

| Rate Schedule | Base Tariff Rate | Adjustment Under Section 27 1/ | Rate After Current Adjustment |
|---|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| LMS – Monthly Demand Rate | \$1.0000 | | \$1.0000 |
| LMS – Daily Overrun Rate | \$0.1737 | | \$0.1737 |
| LMS – Load Management Cost Reconciliation Adjustment | | (\$0.0022) | |

1/ Pursuant to Section 27 of the General Terms and Conditions of this Tariff, a mechanism is established to reconcile through surcharges or credits to the Rate Schedule LMS rate, as appropriate, differences between the cost to maintain Company's line pack gas and the amounts Company receives or pays for such gas arising out of the purchase and sale of such gas.

| Rate Schedule | Maximum Rate Per Dekatherm | Minimum Rate Per Dekatherm |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| PAL | | |
| NPL, OPL, and APL Service: | | |
| Daily Commodity Rate | \$0.1737 | \$0.0000 |
| RPL Service: | | |
| Daily Reservation Rate | \$0.1737 | \$0.0000 |

NOTICE OF CURRENTLY EFFECTIVE RATES

(ALL RATES ARE STATED IN CENTS PER DEKATHERM OR EQUIVALENT DEKATHERM AS INDICATED)

| RATE SCHEDULE | UNIT | BASE TARIFF RATE | ACA SURCHARGE | TOP THROUGHPUT SURCHARGE | GAS SUPPLY REALIGNMENT SURCHARGE | BASE TARIFF RATE PLUS SURCHARGES |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|
| ----- | | | | | | |
| RATE SCHEDULE FT-1 | | | | | | |
| ----- | | | | | | |
| RESERVATION CHARGE | | | | | | |
| MAXIMUM DAILY DELIVERY QUANTITY (MDDQ) | | | | | | |
| MAXIMUM | RATE PER EQV. DKT PER MO. | 737.928 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | 737.928 |
| MINIMUM | RATE PER EQV. DKT PER MO | 0.000 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | 0.000 |
| COMMODITY CHARGE | | | | | | |
| MAXIMUM A/B/ | RATE PER DKT | 3.120 | 0.180 | N.A. | N.A. | 3.300 |
| MINIMUM A/B/ | RATE PER DKT | 3.120 | 0.180 | N.A. | N.A. | 3.300 |
| SCHEDULED OVERRUN CHARGE | | | | | | |
| MAXIMUM A/B/ | RATE PER DKT | 30.884 | 0.180 | N.A. | N.A. | 31.064 |
| MINIMUM A/B/ | RATE PER DKT | 3.120 | 0.180 | N.A. | N.A. | 3.300 |
| VOLUMETRIC CAPACITY RELEASE CHARGE | | | | | | |
| MAXIMUM | RATE PER DKT | 24.261 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | 24.261 |
| MINIMUM | RATE PER DKT | 0.000 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | 0.000 |

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- A/ SHIPPER MUST REIMBURSE TRANSPORTER IN-KIND FOR TRANSPORTATION FUEL USE, LOST AND UNACCOUNTED FOR GAS. THE APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE IS 1.690%, CONSISTING OF 1.967% FOR THE CURRENT PERCENTAGE AND (0.277%) FOR THE DEFERRAL PERCENTAGE. THIS PERCENTAGE SHALL BE APPLIED TO THE APPLICABLE QUANTITIES OF GAS TENDERED TO TRANSPORTER FOR SHIPPER'S ACCOUNT AT THE RECEIPT POINT(S) INTO TRANSPORTER'S TRANSMISSION FACILITIES.
- B/ SHIPPER MUST REIMBURSE TRANSPORTER FOR ELECTRIC POWER USED FOR TRANSPORTATION. THE APPLICABLE RATE IS 0.856 CENTS, CONSISTING OF 0.732 CENTS FOR THE CURRENT RATE AND 0.124 CENTS FOR THE DEFERRAL RATE. THIS RATE SHALL BE APPLIED TO THE APPLICABLE QUANTITIES OF GAS TENDERED TO TRANSPORTER FOR SHIPPER'S ACCOUNT AT THE RECEIPT POINT(S) INTO TRANSPORTER'S TRANSMISSION FACILITIES.

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LIST OF NON-CONFORMING SERVICE AGREEMENT(S)
 (ALL RATES ARE STATED IN CENTS PER DEKATHERM
 OR EQUIVALENT DEKATHERM AS INDICATED)

| Shipper | Rate Schedule | Agreement Effective Date | Agreement Termination Date | Unit | Base Tariff Rate | ACA Surcharge B/C/ |
|------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|----------------------------|---------|-------------------|--------------------|
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ---- | ----- | ----- |
| Northern States Power Company | FT-1 (FT-00157) | 8-23-1993 | 7-01-2013 | * ** | A/ A/ | N.A. A/ |
| Conoco Phillips Company | FT-1 (FT-00513) | 12-21-2005 | 10-31-2015 | * ** | 821.250 N.A. | N.A. A/ |
| Northern States Power Company | FT-1 (FT-00532) | 5-5-2006 | 10-31-2012 | * ** | 1127.872 N.A. | N.A. A/ |
| Bear Paw Energy, LLC | FT-1 (FT-00759) | 12-25-2008 | 5-24-2016 | * ** | A/ A/ | N.A. A/ |
| Rainbow Gas Company | FT-1 (FT-00760) | 12-25-2008 | 12-24-2015 | * ** | A/ A/ | N.A. A/ |
| Tharaldson Ethanol Plant I, LLC | FT-1 (Sheyenne Expansion) (FT-00769) | 12-14-2008 | 12-13-2024 | * ** | 1213.808 N.A. | N.A. A/ |
| Dakota Growers Pasta Company, Inc. | FT-1 (Sheyenne Expansion) (FT-00771) | 12-16-2008 | 12-15-2013 | * ** | 1118.908 3.120 | N.A. A/ |
| Sequent Energy Management, L.P. | FT-1 (FT-00850) | 9-09-2009 | 9-08-2034 | * ** | A/ A/ | N.A. A/ |