

North Shore Gas Company

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Additional Charges for Taxes and Customer Charge Adjustments

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Additional Charges for State Taxes

Section 9-222 of the Public Utilities Act authorizes a utility to recover from certain of its customers its liabilities to the State of Illinois for the tax imposed by the Gas Revenue Tax Act and the Gross Revenue Tax imposed by Section 2-202 of the Public Utilities Act. Pursuant to Section 9-222, the Company will charge a customer not exempt by applicable law or regulations an Additional Charge for State Utility Taxes equal to (1) the lower of 2.4 cents per therm, or 5 percent of all gross receipts, each billing period, plus (2) .10 percent of all gross revenue under this rate schedule.

One such applicable regulation is 86 Illinois Administrative Code Part 470, which, among other exemptions, provides that the Gas Revenue Tax is not applicable to gross receipts from specified gas services to unincorporated entities of the Federal Government. Accordingly, the Additional Charge for State Utility Taxes applicable to bills issued to such entities shall be .10 percent.

Section 5-15 of the Gas Use Tax Law requires a utility to collect from certain of its customers a tax equal to 2.4 cents per therm on purchase of out-of-state gas for use or consumption in Illinois, but not for resale, if the gas is purchased in a manner that does not subject the seller of that gas to liability under the Gas Revenue Tax Act. The Gas Revenue Tax is not applicable to transactions with customers being charged the Gas Use Tax. The Company will not collect the Gas Use Tax from customers that are exempt, subject to such customer providing the Company a valid exemption certificate. The Company will not collect the Gas Use Tax from customers that are self-assessing purchasers, subject to such purchaser providing the Company a valid certificate of registration from the Illinois Department of Revenue.

Additional Charges for Municipal Taxes

Section 9-221 of the Public Utilities Act authorizes a utility to recover from certain of its customers its liability for any municipal tax imposed under Section 8-11-2 of the Illinois Municipal Code plus 3 percent of that liability to cover the costs of accounting. Pursuant to Section 9-221, the Company will charge a customer not exempt by applicable law or regulations an Additional Charge for Municipal Utility Tax equal to the percentage shown on the Information Sheet supplemental to this rider of all billings under this rate schedule for gas service furnished for use or consumption and not for resale within the corporate limits of each municipality listed in the following schedule, except for (a) this Additional Charge for Municipal Tax, and (b) any billings and billing items excluded from the base of the tax.

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Additional Charges for Municipal Gas Use Taxes

Where the Company agrees to collect on behalf of a municipality a municipal gas use tax assessed on a per therm basis, where such tax is imposed through an ordinance, rule, or other legal provision, the Company will charge an Additional Charge for Municipal Gas Use Tax. The charge will be applicable to customers as defined in the ordinance, rule or other legal provision and will be determined by multiplying the applicable charge shown on the Information Sheet supplemental to this rider times the quantity of gas delivered to the customer for use or consumption within the corporate limits of the municipality, except for use or consumption excluded by such ordinance, rule or other legal provision.

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Additional Charges for Compressed Natural Gas Use Tax

A customer receiving gas for compression and use as compressed natural gas shall reimburse the Company for all taxes payable to any governmental body on the delivery of gas to be used as compressed natural gas.

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Customer Charge Adjustments

(1) Energy Assistance Charge for the Supplemental Low-Income Energy Assistance Fund

Pursuant to the provisions of the Energy Assistance Act of 1989, as amended by Section 13 of the Act, the Company is required to impose a monthly Energy Assistance Charge for the Supplemental Low-Income Energy Assistance Fund on each gas service account and shall increase the monthly customer charge by the following amounts:

Service Classification No. 1 Accounts

\$0.48 per month on each account.

All Other Accounts

\$4.80 per month on each account which had distributed to it less than 4,000,000 therms of gas in the previous calendar year.

\$360.00 per month on each account which had distributed to it 4,000,000 or more therms of gas in the previous calendar year.

(2) Renewable Energy Resources and Coal Technology Development Assistance Charge

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 6-5 of the Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency and Coal Resources Development Law of 1997, the Company is required to impose a monthly Renewable Energy Resources and Coal Technology Development Assistance Charge on each gas service account and shall increase the monthly customer charge by the following amounts:

Service Classification No. 1 Accounts

\$0.05 per month on each account.

All Other Accounts

\$0.50 per month on each account which had distributed to it less than 4,000,000 therms of gas in the previous calendar year.

\$37.50 per month on each account which had distributed to it 4,000,000 or more therms of gas in the previous calendar year.

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Customer Charge Adjustments – continued

(3) Public Utility Assessment Charge

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 2-202, the Company is permitted to recover Illinois Commerce Commission (“ICC”) assessments pursuant to subsection i-5. The Public Utility Assessment Charge shall be deposited in the Public Utility Fund for the costs of the Illinois Commerce Commission exercising its regulatory and supervisory functions. The adjustments shall be included in the customer charge component during a twelve-month effective period beginning June 1 and extending through May 31 (“Effective Period”).

Determination of Charge:

$$PUAC = ((UA + (RA + O) \times (1 + i)) / (R + (10 \times C) + (750 \times I)))$$

Where:

PUAC = Public Utility Assessment Charge.

UA = Utility Assessment is the dollars assessed to Company by the Commission pursuant to 220 ILCS5/2-202 (i-5).

RA = The dollar amount due the Company (+RA) or the customers (-RA) arising from adjustments under this rider that were under-billed or over-billed in the previous Effective Period. The RA shall be effective September 1 and extending through May 31.

O = Ordered adjustment, in dollars (\$), ordered by the Commission that is to be refunded to or collected from customers as a result of the reconciliation.

i = The interest rate established by the Commission under 83 Ill. Adm. Code 280.40(g)(i) and in effect when each adjustment under this section is calculated, adjusted for the number of months in the Effective Period.

R = Number of Service Classification No. 1 (“S.C. No. 1”) bills forecasted to be sent to customers by the Company for the Effective Period.

C = Number of bills for all other service classifications taking less than 4,000,000 therms per year of gas forecasted to be sent to customers by the Company for the Effective Period.

I = Number of bills for all other service classifications taking 4,000,000 therms or more per year of gas forecasted to be sent to customers by the Company for the Effective Period.

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The Public Utility Assessment Charge shall be assessed as follows:

- (1) 1 x PUAC per month on each S.C. No. 1 account.
- (2) 10 x PUAC per month on each non-S.C. No. 1 account taking less than 4,000,000 therms per year of gas during the previous calendar year.
- (3) 750 x PUAC per month on each non-S.C. No. 1 account taking 4,000,000 therms or more of gas during the previous calendar year.

The Company shall file with the Commission annually, on or before May 20, an information sheet that specifies the adjustments to be effective under the Public Utility Assessment Charge for the Effective Period. The Company shall file any corrections from a timely filed information sheet on or before the last day of May. If the Company determines that it is appropriate to revise the PUAC to better match revenues or expected revenue with costs incurred or expected to be incurred, the Company may, from time to time, calculate a revised PUAC to become effective at the beginning of any monthly billing period.

The Company shall file a petition annually with the Commission no later than August 31, seeking initiation of an annual reconciliation process. The petition shall include a reconciliation that will compare revenues collected under this rider during the Effective Period with the expected revenues plus or minus Reconciliation and Commission Ordered Adjustments. In conjunction with the reconciliation filing, a new Information Sheet may be filed adjusting the then effective charges or credits under this rider for the amount to be reconciled. The reconciling amount from such proceeding (Factor O) shall be recovered in the manner determined by the Commission in the annual reconciliation proceeding.

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