

Rule No. 1

DEFINITIONS

- 1-1 Application - A written request to the Utility for propane service as distinguished from an inquiry as to the availability or charges for such services.
- 1-2 Average Error in Registration - The term "average error in registration" as used herein shall mean a meter error of plus or minus two percent as set forth in Rule No. 9-8.
- 1-3 Capacity Shortage - A condition when, in the Utility's judgment, there exists a restriction or limitation on Utility distribution pipelines necessary for the acceptance, and subsequent delivery of propane vapor resulting in Utility being unable to meet its operational, propane vapor customers' requirements.
- 1-4 Commission - The word "Commission" or "MPSC" as used herein shall mean the Public Service Commission of Montana.
- 1-5 Cubic Foot of Propane Vapor
- A. When the propane is to be tested under these rules, a cubic foot of propane vapor shall be that amount of propane vapor, which occupies a volume of one cubic foot at sixty degrees Fahrenheit and under a pressure of thirty inches of mercury absolute.
 - B. In cases where propane vapor is supplied and metered to customers at standard delivery pressure, a cubic foot of shall be defined to be the amount of propane vapor, which occupies a volume of one cubic foot under the conditions existing in customer's meter, as and where installed.
 - C. In cases where propane vapor is supplied to customers through diaphragm - or rotary-type positive displacement meters, at other than standard delivery pressure, a suitable correction factor shall be applied to provide measurement under billing conditions.
 - D. Standard delivery pressure shall be 11-inch water column above atmospheric pressure.
- 1-6 Customer - The word "customer" as used herein shall mean any individual, partnership, association, firm, public or private corporation, or governmental agency purchasing propane vapor service from the Utility.
- 1-7 Customer's Installation - The term "Customer's installation" as used herein shall mean all piping, appliances, and apparatus on customer's side of the point of delivery except the Utility's meter, regulator, and other equipment owned by the Utility.

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- 1-8 Dekatherm - The word "Dekatherm" (Dkt) as used herein shall mean 10 therms or 1,000,000 British Thermal Units (Btu). The word "therm" shall mean 100,000 Btu.
- 1-9 Facility - An individual meter with the exception of meters combined for the Utility's operating convenience in accordance with Rule No. 9. Customers who have had more than one meter installed for their own convenience at their own request shall be treated as a separate facility with respect to each meter.
- 1-10 Meter - The word "meter" or "meters" as used herein shall mean the complete installation, including auxiliary devices and equipment, if any, used to measure the propane vapor supplied to a customer.
- 1-11 Point of Delivery - The term "point of delivery" as used herein shall mean the point at which the Utility's facilities connect physically to customer's facilities, the location of which shall be designated by or satisfactory to the Utility, unless otherwise defined in the service agreement.
- 1-12 Propane Vapor Line Extension - As used herein, this term shall include the installed cost of main and service pipe, extending from adequate, existing Utility facilities to the point of delivery on customer's premises.
- 1-13 Propane Vapor Service - The term "propane vapor service" or "service" as used herein shall mean the supplying of or availability, at the point of delivery, of propane vapor, and also the propane vapor delivered or used.
- 1-14 Residential Dwelling Unit - The term "residential dwelling unit" as used herein shall mean any room or combination of rooms, including trailers and mobile homes, with facilities for cooking, designed for occupancy by one family.
- 1-15 Rules - Tariff sheets which set forth the application of all rates, charges and service when such applicability is not set forth in and as a part of the rate schedules.
- 1-16 Service Agreement - The term "service agreement" as used herein shall mean the agreement or contract between the Utility and the Customer pursuant to which service is supplied and taken.
- 1-17 Supply Shortage - A condition when, in the Utility's judgment, the Utility has a deficiency of propane vapor supply available to meet its operational, contractual or sales customers' requirements.

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- 1-18 Tariff Schedules - The entire body of effective rates, rentals, charges, and rules collectively, of the Utility, as set forth herein, and including title page, preliminary statement, rate schedules, rules and sample forms.
- 1-19 Tariff Sheet - An individual sheet of the Tariff Schedules.
- 1-20 Temporary Service - Service for enterprises or activities served under Propane Vapor Rate Schedules which are temporary in character or where it is known in advance that service will be of limited duration. Service, which, in the opinion of the Utility, is for operations of a speculative character or the permanency of which has not been established, also is considered temporary service.
- 1-21 Therm - The word "Therm" as used herein shall mean 100,000 Btus. 10 therms is equivalent to one dekatherm.
- 1-22 Utility - The word "Utility" as used herein shall mean NorthWestern Energy in the course of its business of supplying propane vapor service to customers in Montana.

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