NATURAL GAS TARIFF
NorthWestern Energy

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).

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<td>Net Monthly Bill:</td>
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PLUS:
Commodity Charges (Monthly $/Therm)
- Distribution Charge: $0.1879386
- Transmission Charge: 0.1826575
- Storage Charge: 0.0228757
- Gas Supply Charge: 0.2326310
- Deferred Gas Cost Amortization: 0.0000000
- DBU GTAC Amortization: (0.0002515)
- TBU GTAC Amortization: (0.0016269)
- Storage GTAC Amortization: 0.0000000

Total: $0.6242244
$0.0727443
$0.1151943

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 LIHEAP program administered by the State of Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services.

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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.

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.

SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. Definitions: The definitions of the principal terms used in this Rate Schedule are contained in Rule No. 1.

2. Multiple Residential Dwelling Units: Where the same building complex contains multiple residential dwelling units, each building shall be separately metered unless the building owner requests individual meters for each residential dwelling unit within the building(s). The term "building complex" is defined as a structure under one roof, or two or more connected structures under separate roofs throughout which there is general access by means of doors, elevators, stairways, enclosed passageways or continuous corridors; but sidewalks, driveways, breezeways, heating and utility tunnels, pipes or conduits are not considered enclosed passageways.

SERVICE AND RATES SUBJECT TO COMMISSION JURISDICTION: All rates and service conditions under this Rate Schedule are governed by the rules and regulations of the Public Service Commission of Montana and are subject to revision as the Commission may duly authorize in the exercise of its jurisdiction.

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Docket No: D2004.11.186 Tariff Letter No. 80-G

Effective for service rendered on or after January 1, 2005

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Secretary