

SOUTH DAKOTA GAS RATE SCHEDULE

**NORTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY
HURON
SOUTH DAKOTA**

Section No. 3
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Canceling Sheet No. 6.9

CLASS OF SERVICE: Gas Transportation Tariffs **Rate No. 87**
RATE DESIGNATION: Standby Service Options

In addition to the other services provided under transportation service, the Company also offers several standby service options. Under these service options the Company agrees to standby, on the terms set forth below, to provide gas supply to the Customer if the Customer is unable to secure all or a portion of the gas supply that the Company has agreed to transport.

1. Firm Supply Standby Service (FSS):

- (a) Description - A Customer may elect to receive Firm Supply Standby Service to assure continued gas service when their own gas supply is interrupted. The Customer will be permitted to contract for daily delivery capacity under this standby option. This service is available for an annual period.
- (b) Rates - The Gas Demand and Commodity Charge is shown on Sheet No. 9b.
- (c) Adjustment of Gas Cost - In connection with the Company's Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment, the Company will credit overall gas cost based on rates charged in section (b) above. The Company will provide this information under a separate section of the PGA filing.

2. Standby Supply Service (SSS):

- (a) Availability - This service is a market based alternative supply service which is available on a reasonable efforts basis to transportation Customers desiring to purchase supply from the Company. This service shall be available to transportation Customers who have lost their source of supply due to an emergency, but shall be available, at Company's discretion, under any other circumstances. Alternative supply may include pipeline authorize overrun service, storage inventories, LNG inventories, LP inventories, or any other supply which may be available from time to time on a reasonable efforts basis in the sole discretion of the Company. This service is only available to Customers who have Company installed telemetric equipment to monitor daily usage. The cost of the telemetric equipment shall be paid by the Customer and shall be equal to the standard cost of the meter, installation and hardware, including tax gross-up, where appropriate.

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- (b) Rates - The rate for this service shall be the Company's quoted rate for the type of supply provided. In addition to these charges, the quoted rate for the service shall include the commodity charge under the applicable rate schedule.
- (c) Adjustment of Gas Cost - In connection with the Company's Adjustment Clause, the Company will credit overall gas cost based on rates charged in section (b) above. The Company will provide this information under a separate section of the Adjustment Clause filing. T
- (d) Billing - Customer Billing for this service will be based on the amount nominated or Receipts. If actual usage exceeds nominations, the customer will be responsible for the actual volumes taken, plus any additional costs incurred by the Company, such as overrun charges on the deficient volumes. If actual usage is below nominations, the customer will be allowed to use the surplus volumes per the balancing provisions described subsequently in this tariff. For Billing purposes only, the gas delivered under this service shall be considered "first through the meter". T
- (e) Customer's Balancing Obligation
 - i) Transportation Customers will be subject to the balancing provisions applicable to their gas transportation service including DBS levels purchased.
 - ii) Customer shall have the obligation to Balance, on a daily basis, Receipts and Deliveries of gas made under this tariff by the Company. Differences between Receipts and Deliveries shall be accumulated and recorded in a Customer account. The Customer shall manage Receipts and Deliveries so that the account balance shall be kept as near to zero as practicable. D

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