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42. New York State Motor Fuel Excise Taxes

The rates and charges for compressed natural gas used as motor fuel and provided under Service Classifications Nos. 4A, 6C, 6G, 6M and 14 shall be increased by amounts, computed on a BTU equivalent basis, currently applicable under Articles 12-A and 13-A of the New York State Tax Law.

43. Service Classification Riders

A. RIDER A - AREA DEVELOPMENT RATE

(Applicable to Service Classification Nos. 2, 4B, 6C, 16-CTBS-2, 16-CTBS-4B, 17-CTS-2, 17-CTS-4B and 18-NCTS-6C)

Available upon written application to premises within 12 months of application for new gas service, located in economically depressed areas as shown and described on General Information Leaves Nos. 100 through 106 and where there is a projected long term twenty-five percent increase of gas consumption as defined below, or at premises where the applicant is not a previous customer at those premises and is substantially different from any such previous customers. To be considered substantially different, the new customer must demonstrate to the Company that the new customer is independent of the prior customer. Where gas service has not been rendered to a premises for at least six months before the date of application or where gas service has been rendered but no business has been conducted at the premises for at least six months before the date of application, the applicant shall be deemed to be substantially different solely for purposes of qualification under this Rider A.

This rider will also be available to customers who graduate from the New York State Incubator Program.

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