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GENERAL INFORMATION

8. INTERRUPTION AND CURTAILMENT:

Except as provided by the Customer's reservation of sales status, the Company may, at its sole discretion, interrupt or curtail deliveries hereunder on two (2) hours' notice. Notice may be given by telephone.

During major upstream events such as pipeline rupture or wide-spread well freeze-offs, which result in insufficient gas supply delivered to the Company's city-gate(s), interruptions and curtailments shall apply to non-core customers first, and then to core customers, regardless of which customers' supply delivered to the Company's city-gate is not sufficient to meet their demand.

Interruption and curtailment which is due to distribution capacity limitations will follow a "price-based" queue, whereby the customer(s) with the lowest price is interrupted first and the customer(s) with the highest price is interrupted last.

9. BUYBACK AND COMPENSATION:

Service hereunder is subject to the Company's right to purchase from the Customer pipeline capacity and/or gas supply, hereinafter referred to as a Buyback, during periods of interruption or curtailment on the Company's upstream pipeline(s).

In interruption or curtailment situations where the Company, at its sole discretion, must buy back gas to meet the demand of core customers, compensation for such buyback shall be the replacement cost of gas diverted or purchased by the Company. The replacement cost of gas for non-core customers shall be the market value of an equivalent quantity of alternate fuel.

Each core customer who receives buyback gas shall pay, in addition to all other applicable prices and charges, the daily weighted average replacement cost of buyback gas for all such buyback quantities received by the customer.

Where natural gas is diverted from non-core sales customers to core transportation customers, the Company shall be compensated for the replacement cost of gas in the same manner as buyback quantities, as provided in this section.

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