

PSC NO: 9 GAS
NATIONAL FUEL GAS DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION
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SERVICE CLASSIFICATION No. 19 (Cont'd)

SUPPLIER TRANSPORTATION, BALANCING AND AGGREGATION - Cont'd

- (9) With respect to all qualified low-income Customers in a STBA Group operated for the purpose of providing low income Customers with reasonably priced gas service, including but not limited to Customers identified as participating in any program operated by or on behalf of an authorized county Department of Social Services (or a successor agency with similar public service), the Company may issue an information-only bill directly to the end-use retail Customer. Such information-only bills issued by the Company shall separately identify STBA Supplier's charges. Mutually agreed terms and conditions of STBA Supplier payment and remittance processing shall be addressed in the STBA Service Agreement. Bills issued by the Company in connection with these services shall be provided on behalf of the STBA Supplier and for a charge equal to the BIPP charge as set forth in General Information Section 48.

- (10) Demonstration of Customer Contracts

Suppliers offering retail contracts that include prepayment or deposit provisions must meet additional creditworthiness requirements set forth below. All Suppliers are required to submit an affidavit or statement to the Company, on Supplier's letterhead and signed by an authorized employee or officer, reporting whether any of Supplier's retail contracts include prepayment or deposit provisions. If at any point following the submittal of such statement or affidavit Supplier offers contracts with prepayment or deposit provision, an updated statement shall be submitted to the Company. Statements or affidavits found to be false or misleading shall be grounds for discontinuance of service.

- (11) ESCO Requirements needed to qualify to accept Customer Deposits and Prepayments Pursuant to the Commission Order issued May 9, 2002 in Case 00-M-0504, the following requirements must be met before a Supplier may be permitted to accept deposits or prepayments from Customers.

a. Acceptable Security

The following security instruments have been deemed by the Commission to be acceptable qualifications for a Supplier to be permitted to accept Customer prepayments and deposits.

i. Minimum Bond Rating

Suppliers shall be permitted to accept Customer deposits and prepayments if the Supplier maintains a minimum bond rating as specified in the Creditworthiness Section of the Commission's UBPs. Suppliers shall be required to submit evidence of their bond ratings to the Commission and the Company at the initiation of service to Customers and each August 1 thereafter.

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