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SOUTH DAKOTA SALES TARIFF
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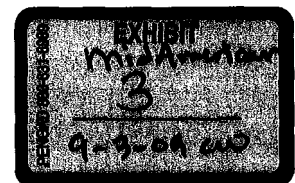
RULES AND REGULATIONS

3.00 Application for Gas Service

3.01 Application - Application for natural gas service may be made by the owner or occupant in control of property in person, by telephone, or by mail. When applying for service, the customer may be required to furnish personal identification and other pertinent information deemed necessary to properly administer the service account. Application for service must be made and accepted by The Company prior to the commencement of the use of Company's service. Company may require the prospective customer to sign an "Application for Service" before receiving service.

3.02 Rejection of Application - The Company may refuse applications for gas service upon reasonable grounds. The following situations qualify as reasonable grounds: Reasons for Refusal of Service as defined in 11.01 of Section V, service is not economically feasible, service to a new applicant might affect the supply of natural gas to other customers, failure of customer to agree to comply with the Rules and Regulations, improper use of gas service or equipment, or The Company and/or the applicable interstate pipeline are unable to provide the necessary gas supply or transportation. The Company may refuse residential service to any customer indebted to the Company for service rendered at a previous residential address until the customer has paid or made satisfactory arrangements to pay such indebtedness and has complied with other requirements for service where the request for service is at a new address. The Company may likewise refuse to render business service to any customer indebted to the Company for service rendered at a previous business address until that customer has paid or made satisfactory arrangements to pay such indebtedness and has complied with other requirements for service where the request for service is at a new address. The Company may also refuse to render service to a customer who is presently living with a former customer who had not paid his or her bill at the same residence.

3.03 Duration - The Company will supply gas service to a customer until notified by the customer to discontinue service or unless the Company is justified to disconnect service as defined in 11.03 of Section V. The customer will be responsible for payment of all service provided to the date of the discontinuance. All service is subject to the rates, rules and regulations stated in this tariff. The Company will terminate service upon reasonable notice. Reasonable notice is deemed to be not less than two working day's notice from the customer, provided the Company is given reasonable access to the Company's facilities on customer premises. If reasonable notice and access are not provided, the customer will be liable for the billings until such time that access is gained. When access is not provided and a final reading cannot be obtained, and the Company is knowledgeable that a new tenant or owner should be responsible for service, the Company reserves the right to render a final bill based on an estimated final reading of the meter at the premises.



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11.00 Refusal and Disconnection of Gas Service (Continued)

11.02 Insufficient Reasons for Denying Service (Continued)

- 5) Failure to pay a back bill rendered in accordance with PUC Rule 20:10:17:06 (back billing under registrations).
- 6) Failure to pay a bill rendered in accordance with PUC Rule 20:10:17:08 and :09 (adjustment to bills for meter failing to register or other error).
- 7) Service shall not be refused to an applicant who is living with someone indebted to the Company in an attempt to force payment of that indebtedness, except in the instance described in 11.01 (3) of Section V.

11.03 Reasons for Disconnection of Service - Utility service may be disconnected for one or more of the following reasons:

- 1) Nonpayment of past due bills as written in S.D. Rule 20:10:20:03.
- 2) A customer, although he is not personally liable to the Company, is attempting to return service to an indebted household and no attempts are forthcoming to liquidate the debt to that household.
- 3) A customer is in violation of state statutes or Company rules concerning:
 - a) Evasion of payment;
 - b) Use of Service for unlawful purposes;
 - c) Interference with or destruction of service facilities;
 - d) Violation of service regulations.
- 4) Failure to comply with an agreement to liquidate a continuing debt as described in S.D. Rule 20:10:20:03 (4).
- 5) Failure to pay an increased deposit or a deposit as described in S.D. Rule 20:10:19:02.

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11.03 Reasons for Disconnection of Service (Continued)

- 6) Failure to grant the utility access to:
- a) Read meters;
 - b) Inspect Company facilities;
 - c) Conduct investigations for hazardous conditions.
- 7) For the purpose of making repairs, changes or improvements on the gas system.
- 8) For the following acts on the part of the customer:
- a) Tampering with the Company's facilities;
 - b) Providing service to others without the Company approval;
 - c) Breach of contract for service between the Company and the customer;
 - d) Failure to comply with these Rules and Regulations.
- 9) If the Company determines an unsafe condition exists on the customer's premise in the utilization of gas service.

11.04 Disconnection of Service

- 1) Notice of Disconnection - Notice of discontinuance shall be sent to the address where service is rendered and to the address where the bill is sent, if different from the service address by first class mail.

Final notice of discontinuance will precede the action to be taken by at least five (5) days, excluding Sundays and legal holidays. The notice will contain the following:

- a) The date on or after discontinuance will occur;
 - b) The reason for discontinuance;
 - c) The Company's intention to disconnect service unless the customer takes corrective action;
 - d) Notice of the customer's right to appeal and where to appeal;
 - e) The method of avoiding disconnection.
- 2) Gas Service Subsequent to Final Notice of Discontinuance - Continued gas service by the Company, after the date of discontinuance specified in the notice to the customer, shall not prevent or stop the Company from discontinuing gas service at a subsequent date.

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