

SOUTH DAKOTA ELECTRIC RATE SCHEDULE

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CLASS OF SERVICE: Residential Service

RATE NO. 10

APPLICABILITY

This schedule is for electric service to urban and rural residential customers for domestic purposes. Service under this rate schedule shall be single or three phase if three phase is available.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area.

RATE

	<u>Per Meter</u> <u>Per Month</u>
Customer Charge	\$5.00
Energy Charge (to be added to the Customer Charge):	
First 200 kilowatt hours, per kilowatt hour.....	\$0.06146
Next 600 kilowatt hours, per kilowatt hour	\$0.06046
Next 200 kilowatt hours, per kilowatt hour	\$0.05446
Next 200 kilowatt hours, per kilowatt hour	\$0.04346
Over 1200 kilowatt hours, per kilowatt hour	\$0.02046
Minimum Charge	\$5.00

Adjustment Clauses

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.
- d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply

(N)

OTHER PROVISIONS

Service will be furnished under the Company's General Terms and Conditions and the following provisions:

1. Residential service is defined as service to each separate house, apartment, flat or other living quarters occupied by a person or persons constituting a distinct household using electrical energy for general purposes and including separately metered hall lighting or other general service furnished exclusively for tenants of residential apartment houses.

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CLASS OF SERVICE: Residential Service with Space Heating RATE NO. 11

APPLICABILITY

This schedule is for electric service to urban and rural residential customers for domestic purposes where all electricity is served through one meter, and the customer has in regular use an approved space heating installation which represents the primary source of space heating. Service under this rate schedule shall be single phase or three phase if three phase is available.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area.

RATE

	Per Meter <u>Per Month</u>
Customer Charge	\$5.00
Energy Charge (to be added to the Customer Charge) :	
First 200 kilowatt hours, per kilowatt hour.....	\$0.06146
Next 600 kilowatt hours, per kilowatt hour	\$0.06046
Next 200 kilowatt hours, per kilowatt hour	\$0.05446
Next 200 kilowatt hours, per kilowatt hour	
Summer Period (June 1 - September 30)	\$0.04346
Winter Period (October 1 - May 31)	\$0.01146
Over 1200 kilowatt hour, per kilowatt hour	
Summer Period (June 1 - September 30)	\$0.02046
Winter Period (October 1 - May 31)	\$0.01146
Minimum Charge	\$5.00

Adjustment Clause

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause will apply.
- c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.
- d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.

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OTHER PROVISIONS

Service will be furnished under the Company's General Terms and Conditions and the following provisions:

1. Residential service is defined as service to each separate house,
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CLASS OF SERVICE: Residential Space Heating and Cooling RATE NO. 14

APPLICABILITY

This schedule is available to urban and rural residential customers for electric service used for space heating purposes, or for a combination space heating and cooling installation (heat pump). All other electric usage by the customer must be separately metered and billed pursuant to another Company filed tariff schedule. Service under this schedule shall be single phase or three phase where three phase is available.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area

RATE

	<u>Per Meter Per Month</u>
Customer Charge	\$1.40
Energy Charge (to be added to the Customer Charge):	
All Kwh:	
Summer Period (June 1 - September 30)	\$0.02246
Winter Period (October 1 - May 31)	\$0.01246
Minimum Charge	\$1.40

Adjustment Clauses

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.
- d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.

(N)

OTHER PROVISIONS

Service will be furnished under the Company's General Terms and Conditions and the following provisions:

- 1) Electric space cooling and heating shall be an approved installation and shall be permanently installed.
- 2) Service pursuant to this rider is restricted to customer requirements for space heating and for combination space cooling and heating through heat pump installations. No other equipment shall be connected without prior consent of the Company. The Company shall have the right to inspect installations to assure compliance with these provisions.

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**CLASS OF SERVICE: Residential Dual-Fuel and
Controlled Service**

RATE NO. 15

APPLICABILITY

This schedule is available to urban and rural residential customers for electric service used for space heating, water heating (excludes tankless water heaters), and other approved controllable loads. All other electric usage by the customer must be separately metered and billed pursuant to another Company filed tariff schedule. Customers shall agree to allow Company to interrupt service at any time without notice. Service under this schedule shall be single phase or three phase where three phase is available.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area

RATE

	<u>Per Meter</u>
	<u>Per Month</u>
Customer Charge	\$1.40
Energy Charge (to be added to the Customer Charge):	
All Kwh:	
Summer Period (June 1 - September 30)	\$0.02246
Winter Period (October 1 - May 31)	\$0.00746
Minimum Charge	\$1.40

Adjustment Clauses

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.
- d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.

(N)

OTHER PROVISIONS

Service will be furnished under the Company's General Terms and Conditions and the following provisions:

- 1. Water heating
 - a) Water heating equipment shall be an approved installation and shall not be used to supplement any other system of providing hot water service.

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CLASS OF SERVICE: Interruptible Irrigation Service

**RATE NO. 16
EXPERIMENTAL**

APPLICABILITY

This schedule is available on a year-to-year basis, for electric service to all irrigation customers for the purpose of electrical use during off-peak periods, "shoulder-periods," and "on-peak periods." Customers shall agree to allow to interrupt service during any "on-peak period" with a two (2) hour notice.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area.

RATE

Per Meter
Per Month

Customer Charge

Irrigation Season (May - October) \$30.00
Off Season (November - April) \$15.00

Energy Charge (KWH)

Off-peak energy per KWH\$0.01510
9 P.M. to 9 A.M. Monday through Thursday
9 P.M. Friday to 9 A.M. Monday
All day on Memorial Day, July 4, and Labor Day
On-peak energy per (KWH).....\$0.08310
All week days, except those designated
as off-peak, from 3 P.M. to 7 P.M.
"Shoulder period" energy per KWH.....\$0.03510
All hours not designated as off-peak
or on-peak

Demand (KW) Charge

On-peak (during curtailment) demand
per KW per season \$81.06
All other times demand per KW \$0.00

Minimum Customer Charge Per Season..... \$180.00

Adjustment Clauses

- a. Adjustment Clause
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause
- c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.
- d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.

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CLASS OF SERVICE: Irrigation Service

RATE NO 17

APPLICABILITY

Available for irrigation power and incidental lighting in connection with the irrigation load.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area.

RATE

Facilities Charge	
Per Season per horsepower of connected load.....	\$8.125
Demand Charge	
Per Season per horsepower of connected load.....	\$8.125
Energy Charge	
	Per Meter
	<u>Per Month</u>
All kilowatt hours, per kilowatt hour.....	\$0.03310
Minimum Seasonal Charge shall be the greater of the facilities charge or	\$40.625
Adjustment Clauses	
a. Adjustment Clause shall apply.	
b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply.	
c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.	
d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.	

(N)

OTHER PROVISIONS

Service will be furnished under the Company's General Terms and Conditions and the following provisions:

1. The Company shall determine the connected horsepower by nameplate rating of the motors. The Company may, at its option, test the connected horsepower under conditions of maximum operating load.
2. Individual motors having a rating in excess of 5 horsepower must be three phase.

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CLASS OF SERVICE: Off Peak Irrigation Service **RATE NO. 18**

APPLICABILITY

This schedule is for electric service to all irrigation customers for the purpose of electrical use during off-peak periods.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area

RATE

	<u>Per Meter Per Month</u>
Customer Charge	
Irrigation Season (May - October).....	\$30.00
Off Season (November - April).....	\$15.00
Energy (KWH) Charge	
Off-peak energy per KWH	\$0.01510
(All hours not designated as on-peak	
On-peak energy per KWH.....	\$0.34810
(9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, inclusive)	
Minimum Customer Charge Per Season.....	\$180.00
Adjustment Clauses	
a. Adjustment Clause	
b. Tax Adjustment Clause	
c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.	
d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.	

(N)

OTHER PROVISIONS

Service will be furnished under the Company's General Terms and Conditions and the following provisions.

1. Off-peak periods will be designated by the Company in accordance with circumstances which may change from time to time. Hours of off-peak availability shall be a minimum of 10 hours during any 24 hour period.
2. This schedule is intended for off-peak service. Incidental on-peak energy is available at rates stated hereon subject to interruption upon notice by the Company. Failure to comply with notice of interruptions shall render customer ineligible for further service pursuant to this rate schedule.

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CLASS OF SERVICE: Reddy-Guard

RATE NO. 19

APPLICABILITY

This schedule is available for outdoor lighting of Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Farm and rural areas and for street or highway lighting if regular street lighting is not feasible.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area.

<u>RATE</u>	Nominal Rating <u>In Watts</u>	Rate Per Month <u>Unmetered</u>	Rate Per Month <u>Metered</u>
High Pressure Sodium Vapor	35	\$3.19622	\$2.90
	50	\$3.32325	\$2.90
	100	\$5.02952	\$4.00
	150	\$5.24555	\$4.00
	250	\$7.42098	\$5.20
	400	\$8.76245	\$5.45
	1000	\$18.33081	\$10.10
Mercury Vapor	175	\$3.33768	\$1.85
	250	\$4.22287	\$2.30
	400	\$6.27156	\$2.90
	1000	\$11.89056	\$4.85

The "Unmetered" cost per lamp applies if the service to the Reddy-Guard unit is not metered. The "Metered" cost per lamp applies if the kilowatt hour use is metered and included with the Customer's service bill.

Adjustment Clauses

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.
- d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.

(N)

OTHER PROVISIONS

Due to the U.S. Government Energy Act of 2005, after May 1, 2008, the Company will no longer install Mercury Vapor fixtures for new installations.

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CLASS OF SERVICE: General Service

RATE NO. 21

APPLICABILITY

This schedule is available to all non-residential customers for non-domestic general service. Customers must have measurable demand requirements of less than 20 KW with the exception of athletic fields, outdoor theaters, and churches, or where it can be demonstrated that customer load requirements occur during evenings or weekends. Service provided under this schedule shall be single phase or three phase if three phase power is available.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area

RATE

Per Meter
Per Month

Customer Charge \$8.00

Energy Charge (to be added to the Customer Charge) :

First 200 kilowatt hours, per kilowatt hour.....	\$0.08310
Next 800 kilowatt hours, per kilowatt hour	\$0.07310
Over 1000 kilowatt hours, per kilowatt hour	
Summer Period (June 1 - September 30)	\$0.07310
Winter Period (October 1 - May 31).....	\$0.05810

Minimum Charge \$8.00

Adjustment Clauses

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.
- d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.

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CLASS OF SERVICE: Commercial Water Heating

RATE NO. 23

APPLICABILITY

This rate schedule is available for separately metered commercial water heating (excluding tankless water heaters) service to customers being furnished service pursuant to another Company filed rate schedule.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area.

RATE

Per Meter
Per Month

Customer Charge \$1.75

Energy Charge (to be added to the Customer Charge):

Per kilowatt hour for all energy used\$0.03310

Minimum Charge \$1.75

Adjustment Clauses

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.
- d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.

(N)

OTHER PROVISIONS

Service will be furnished under the Company's General Terms and Conditions and the following provisions:

- 1. Service will be provided to the electric water heater through a separate metered 240 volt single phase circuit to which no other equipment will be connected.

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CLASS OF SERVICE: Commercial Space Heating and Cooling RATE NO. 24

APPLICABILITY

This schedule is available to commercial customers for electric service used for space heating purposes, or for a combination space heating and cooling installation (heat pump). All other electric usage by the customer must be separately metered and billed pursuant to another Company filed tariff schedule. Service under this schedule shall be single phase or three phase where three phase is available.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area

RATE

	<u>Per Meter</u> <u>Per Month</u>
Customer Charge	\$1.40
Energy Charge (to be added to the Customer Charge):	
All Kwh:	
Summer Period (June 1 - September 30)	\$0.02210
Winter Period (October 1 - May 31)	\$0.01210
Minimum Charge	\$1.40
Adjustment Clauses	
a. Adjustment Clause shall apply.	
b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply.	
c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.	
d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.	

(N)

OTHER PROVISIONS

Service will be furnished under the Company's General Terms and Conditions and the following provisions:

1. Electric space cooling and heating shall be an approved installation and shall be permanently installed.
2. Service pursuant to this rider is restricted to customer requirements for space heating and for combination space cooling and heating through heat pump installations. No other equipment shall be connected without prior consent of the Company. The Company shall have the right to inspect installations to assure compliance with these provisions.

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CLASS OF SERVICE : All-Inclusive Commercial Service

RATE NO. 25

APPLICABILITY

This rate schedule is available to commercial customers for all use through one meter provided that the use includes any or all of the following services: (1) space heating, (2) cooking, (3) water heating(excluding tankless water heaters), and provided further that any one or all of the above uses represents the major portion of the connected load and annual consumption.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area

RATE

	<u>Per Meter</u> <u>Per Month</u>	
	<u>Summer</u>	<u>Winter</u>
Energy Charge		
Per KWH for the first 100 hours of the maximum demand	\$0.08710	\$0.06710
Per KWH for the next 100 hours of the maximum demand	\$0.04010	\$0.01910
Per KWH for the next 100 hours of the maximum demand	\$0.02910	\$0.01010
Per KWH for all use in excess of 300 hours maximum demand	\$0.01910	\$0.00710
Summer Period June 1 - Sept. 30, Winter Period Oct. 1 - May 31,		
Minimum Charge	\$10.00	\$10.00

Adjustment Clauses

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.
- d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.

(N)

OTHER PROVISIONS

Service will be furnished under the Company's General Terms and Conditions and the following provisions:

- 1. If space heating is used to qualify under this rate, electric energy must be the primary source of the total space heating.

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CLASS OF SERVICE: Commercial and Industrial Service **RATE NO. 33**

APPLICABILITY

This rate schedule is available to non-residential customers for general commercial or industrial electric service.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area.

RATE

Per Meter
Per Month

Demand Charge

Per kilowatt of maximum demand (never less than 5 KW) \$6.13

Energy Charge

Per kilowatt hour for the first 100 hours use of the maximum demand per month\$0.05358

Per kilowatt hour for the next 300 hours use of the maximum demand per month\$0.03658

Per kilowatt hour for the next 100 hours use of the maximum demand per month\$0.02158

Per kilowatt hour for all use in excess of 500 hours use of the maximum demand\$0.01158

Minimum Charge

The minimum monthly bill will be the demand charge for 5 KW plus actual energy charges.

Maximum Charge

The maximum monthly charge shall be the higher of (1) the minimum charge, or (2) the combined average cost of \$.15 per kwh for demand and energy charges.

Adjustment Clauses

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.
- d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.

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CLASS OF SERVICE: Large Commercial and Industrial Service RATE NO. 34

APPLICABILITY

This rate schedule is available for commercial and industrial users of electric service.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area.

RATE

Per Meter
Per Month

Demand Charge

Per kilowatt per month for the first 100 hours of the maximum demand.....	\$6.13
Per kilowatt per month for the next 400 kilowatts of demand.....	\$5.43
Per kilowatt per month for excess kilowatts of demand	\$4.73
The demand shall be never less than 100 KW.	

Energy Charge

Per kilowatt hour for the first 100 hours of the maximum demand (never less than 100 kilowatts).....	\$0.03258
Per kilowatt hour for the next 300 hours of the maximum demand (never less than 100 kilowatts).....	\$0.01558
Per kilowatt hour for the next 100 hours of the maximum demand (never less than 100 kilowatts).....	\$0.01058
Per kilowatt hour for all use in excess of 500 hours use of the maximum demand (never less than 100 kilowatts).....	\$0.00558

Minimum Charge

The minimum monthly bill will be the demand charge plus the energy charge of 100 hours use thereof.

Adjustment Clauses

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.
- d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.

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Discounted Energy Option Rider Option X

CLASS OF SERVICE: All Residential and Non-demand Commercial
and Industrial Service

APPLICABILITY

This rider is available to customers who have been on service at the same address pursuant to standard rates for a base period consisting of twelve consecutive months. Once selected, this optional rider shall remain in effect for twelve months and shall automatically extend to additional annual periods unless notice of intent to withdraw is given by either party upon action by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission. The applicability of this rider is subject to consummation of an agreement between the Company and customer and shall be effective on a basis only. Customers have primary responsibility for applying for service pursuant to this rider.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area

RATE

Base Period Monthly Charge (BPMC)	BPMC
Energy Charge (to be added to BPMC)	
All kilowatt hours, per kilowatt hour	\$0.01146

BPMC =
$$\frac{\text{Base period consumption @ current standard rate - \$0.01146 Kwh}}{12}$$

“Base period consumption” shall represent the most recent available twelve months historical usage, adjusted only for supportable variances from normal conditions. All BPMC determinations are subject to Rate Department approval.

MINIMUM CHARGE

The minimum monthly bill will be equal to the BPMC

ADJUSTMENT CLAUSES

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.
- d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.

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CLASS OF SERVICE: Municipal Pumping Service

RATE NO. 41

APPLICABILITY

This schedule is available for municipal water pumping service.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area.

RATE

	<u>Per Meter</u>
	<u>Per Month</u>
Customer Charge	\$9.50
Energy Charge (to be added to the Customer Charge) :	
Per Kilowatt Hour for all energy used	\$0.05180
Minimum Charge	\$9.50

Adjustment Clauses

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.
- d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.

(N)

OTHER PROVISIONS

Service will be furnished under the Company's General Terms and Conditions.

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CLASS OF SERVICE: Company or Customer Owned Highway,
Street and Area Lighting Systems
(continued) RATE NO. 56

	Nominal Rating In Watts	Company Owned Rate Per Month	Customer Owned Rate Per Month
<u>Distribution Pole Mounting</u>			
High Pressure Sodium Vapor	100	\$5.02952	\$1.02952
	150	\$5.24555	\$1.44555
	250	\$7.42098	\$2.22098
	400	\$8.76245	\$3.31245
	1000	\$18.33081	\$8.23081
Mercury Vapor	175	\$3.33768	\$1.48768
	250	\$4.22287	\$1.92287
	400	\$6.27156	\$3.37156
	1000	\$11.89056	\$7.04056

Adjustment Clauses

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply.
- c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.
- d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.

(N)

OTHER PROVISIONS

Due to the U.S. Government Energy Act of 2005, after May 1, 2008, the Company will no longer install Mercury Vapor fixtures for new installations.

Service will be furnished under the Company's General Terms and Conditions and the following provisions:

Company Owned

1. The Company shall install, own and operate the lighting system. The type and kind of luminaries and supports will comply with Company specifications.
2. The lamp shall be lighted and extinguished by a photo-electric control furnished by the Company. The hours of burning shall be every night from dusk until dawn.

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CLASS OF SERVICE: Controlled Off Peak Service **RATE NO. 70**

APPLICABILITY

This schedule is for electric service to all customers for the purpose of electric use during off-peak periods where said loads do not represent a replacement of similar on-peak loads. This schedule is not available for Irrigation, or Highway, Street, and Area Lighting.

TERRITORY

Company's Assigned Service Area

RATE

	<u>Per Meter</u> <u>Per Month</u>
Customer Charge	
Standard Metering.....	\$4.00
Magnetic Tape Metering.....	\$18.00
Energy (KWH) Charge	
Off-peak energy per KWH.....	\$0.00842
(All hours not designated as on-peak)	
On-peak energy per KWH (Magnetic tape installations).....	\$0.12442
(9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, inclusive)	
Minimum Charge	
Standard Metering.....	\$4.00
Magnetic Tape Metering.....	\$18.00
Adjustment Clauses	
a. Adjustment Clause	
b. Tax Adjustment Clause	
c. Bill Crediting Program shall apply.	
d. Demand Side Management Program shall apply.	

(N)

OTHER PROVISIONS

Service will be furnished under the Company's General Terms and Conditions and the following provisions.

(1) Off-peak periods will be designated by the Company in accordance with the circumstances which may change from time to time. Hours of off-peak availability shall be a minimum of 10 hours during any 24 hour period.

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DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT ADJUSTMENT

(N)

APPLICABILITY

This Demand Side Management Adjustment (DSMA) applies to all rate schedules for all classes of service authorized by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission).

The DSMA shall be calculated annually based on actual versus forecasted DSM program costs and kwh retail sales for the applicable rate schedules for the twelve months of January through December, and shall include an over or under recovery from prior years' adjustments through the Balancing Account. North Western Energy (the Company) will update and make a DSMA filing with the Commission on an annual basis no later than March 1. Since the DSM programs will be implemented April 1, 2012, the first year rate recovery period will be from May 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012. The 2nd year filing will be made by March 1, 2013 with an effective date of May 1, 2013. A filing will be made by March 1 each year thereafter.

DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT ADJUSTMENT RATE

A DSMA rate shall be determined by dividing the DSM program costs and the forecasted balance of the DSMA Balancing Account by the forecasted retail sales volumes for the upcoming year. The DSMA rate shall be rounded to the nearest \$0.0001 per kwh.

The DSMA rate may be adjusted annually with approval of the Commission. The DSMA rates for the applicable rate schedules are:

- Residential: \$0.001
Commercial & Industrial: \$0.0003

DSM Program Costs shall include all expenses, costs and lost margins associated with DSM programs and that are approved by the Commission. All revenues recovered pursuant to the DSMA shall be credited to the Balancing Account.

DSMA Balancing Account amount is the DSM program costs incurred, less all revenues recovered pursuant to the DSMA for the annual year, as adjusted for applicable interest. The Balancing Account shall have interest applied or credited monthly at the rate of return from the Company's last approved electric rate case. The DSMA revenues will be applied monthly to the Balancing Account for each customer class.

Forecasted Retail Sales Volumes shall be the estimated retail electric sales for the applicable rate schedules for the designated recovery period.

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