

Exhibit B

SOUTH DAKOTA GAS RATE SCHEDULE

NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION d/b/a NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	Section No. 3
HURON	<u>19th Revised</u> Sheet No. 1
SOUTH DAKOTA	Canceling 18th Revised Sheet No. 1

CLASS OF SERVICE: Residential Gas Service **Rate No. 81**
RATE DESIGNATION: Firm Sales

1. Applicability

This rate is available to domestic customers whose maximum requirements for natural gas are not more than 200 therms per day. The name plate input ratings of all gas burning equipment shall be used to determine a customer's maximum requirements, based on 10 hours use per day.

2. Territory

The area served with natural gas by the Company in South Dakota.

3. Rates

Monthly Charges:

<i>Customer Charge</i> per Meter:	\$ 8.00	I
<i>Non-Gas Commodity Charge:</i>		
First 30 therms, per therm	\$ 0.3788	I
Over 30 therms, per therm	\$ 0.1700	I
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Minimum Monthly Bill: \$ 8.00 I

Adjustment Clauses:

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet Nos. 9, 9a, 9b)
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet No. 10)
- c. BTU Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet Nos. 12, 12a)

4. Other Provisions

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

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HURON	<u>5th Revised</u> Sheet No. 2
SOUTH DAKOTA	Canceling <u>4th Revised</u> Sheet No. 2

CLASS OF SERVICE: General Gas Service **Rate No. 82**
RATE DESIGNATION: Firm Sales

1. Applicability

This rate is available to non-residential customers whose maximum requirements for natural gas are not more than 200 therms per day. If no historical peak day usage is available, the name plate input ratings of all gas burning equipment shall be used to determine a customer's maximum requirements.

2. Territory

The area served with natural gas by the Company in South Dakota.

3. Rates

Monthly Charges:

<i>Customer Charge</i> per Meter:	\$ 10.00	I
<i>Non-Gas Commodity Charge:</i>		
First 400 therms, per therm	\$ 0.1728	I
Next 1,600 therms, per therm	\$ 0.1100	
Over 2,000 therms, per therm	\$ 0.0865	D

Minimum Monthly Bill: \$ 10.00 I

Adjustment Clauses:

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet Nos. 9, 9a, 9b)
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet No. 10)
- c. BTU Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet Nos. 12, 12a)

4. Other Provisions

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HURON 10th Revised Sheet No. 3.1
SOUTH DAKOTA Canceling 9th Revised Sheet No. 3.1

CLASS OF SERVICE: Commercial and Industrial Rate No. 84
RATE DESIGNATION: Firm Sales Service

1. Applicability

This rate is available for firm gas volumes, on a contract basis, to commercial and industrial customers whose maximum requirements for natural gas are greater than 200 therms per day, and who may also require volumes of interruptible gas in excess of firm demand volumes for which they have contracted. If no historical peak day usage is available, the name plate input ratings of all gas burning equipment shall be used to determine a customer's maximum requirement.

2. Territory

The area served with natural gas by the Company in South Dakota.

3. Rates

Customer may choose the rate option, and level of daily contract demand (never less than 50 therms), which best fits the customer's needs.

<u>Monthly Charges:</u>	<u>Option A</u>	<u>Option B</u>	
<i>Customer Charge</i> per Meter:	\$ 100.00	\$300.00	I
<i>Non-Gas Commodity Charge</i> , all use, per therm:	\$0.0662	\$0.0335	I
<i>Demand Charge</i> per therm of daily contract demand as shown on Sheet 9a.			

Gas Demand Payment Elections

- A. Annually - in advance, with 5% discount
- B. Seasonally profiled
 - January & February 20% of annual charge per month
 - March & December 15% of annual charge per month
 - April & November 10% of annual charge per month
 - May & October 5% of annual charge per month
 - June through September 0% of annual charge per month
- C. Monthly - 12 equal billings

In the absence of an appropriate election by customer Election "C" will be automatically assigned. Unless otherwise mutually agreed upon between the Company and customer all elections must be for a minimum period of twelve consecutive months.

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SOUTH DAKOTA	Canceling 2nd Revised Sheet No. 3.2

CLASS OF SERVICE: Commercial and Industrial	Rate No. 84
RATE DESIGNATION: Firm Sales Service	

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Released Capacity and Balancing Services Surcharge:

For all therms taken during a month in excess of the product of the daily contract demand times the number of days in the billing period an additional \$0.0170 per therm shall be assessed and added to the Gas Commodity Charge shown on Sheet No. 9a. Costs collected will be credited to expense in Adjustment Clause filings.

Minimum Monthly Bill:

The Customer Charge plus the amount for therms of contract demand (never less than 50 therms).

Adjustment Clauses:

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet Nos. 9, 9.1, 9a, 9b)
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet No. 10)
- c. BTU Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet Nos. 12, 12a)

4. Penalty Provision

If customer fails to comply with Company's request to curtail or in any way fails to limit the use of gas to the volume of Contract Demand specified in the contract, then all unauthorized gas in excess of Contract Demand so used shall be "Penalty Gas" and be paid by the Customer at a rate which is the greater of \$3.00 per therm or the maximum penalty charges permitted to be made by the Company's upstream service providers for takes of natural gas in excess of authorized limitations, in addition to the regular Commodity Charge for such gas. All costs collected will be credited to expense in Adjustment Clause filings.

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	Canceling	Sheet No. <u>4.1</u>
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CLASS OF SERVICE: Commercial and Industrial **Rate No. 85**
RATE DESIGNATION: Interruptible Sales Service

1. Applicability

Gas service under this rate schedule is available on an interruptible basis to any customer for commercial and industrial purposes, whose maximum requirements for natural gas are greater than 200 therms per day, provided that the customer's premises are adjacent to the Company's mains and that the capability of the Company's system and the supply of gas available from its suppliers is in excess of the requirements of its existing customers. If no historical peak day usage is available, the name plate input ratings of all gas burning equipment shall be used to determine a customer's maximum requirement. All Grain Dryer Customers with a connected load greater than 20 Mmbtu per hour will be required to obtain service under Rate No. 86.

2. Territory

The area served with natural gas by the Company in South Dakota.

3. Rates

Customer may choose the rate option which best fits the customer's needs.

<u>Monthly Charges:</u>	<u>Option A</u>	<u>Option B</u>	
<i>Customer Charge</i> per Meter:	\$ 100.00	\$300.00	I
<i>Non-Gas Commodity Charge</i> , all use, per therm:	\$0.0662	\$0.0335	I

Minimum Monthly Bill:

The Customer Charge.

Adjustment Clauses:

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet Nos. 9, 9a, 9b)
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet No. 10)
- c. BTU Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet Nos. 12, 12a)

4. Penalty Provision

If customer fails to comply with Company's request to curtail the use of gas, then all unauthorized gas so used shall be "Penalty Gas" and be paid by the Customer at a rate which is the greater of \$3.00 per therm or the maximum penalty charges permitted to be made by the Company's upstream service providers for takes of natural gas in addition to the regular Commodity Charge for such gas. All costs collected will be credited to expense in PGA true-up filings.

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CLASS OF SERVICE: Commercial and Industrial Rate No. **85FAM**
RATE DESIGNATION: Interruptible Sales Service

1. **Applicability**
This rate is available to former City of Freeman customer AMPI. C

2. **Territory**
The territory is limited to the city of Freeman and surrounding area previously served by the municipal system.

3. **Rates**
Monthly Charges:

<i>Customer Charge</i> per Meter:	\$ 300.00	I
<i>Gas Commodity Charge:</i>		
All Therms, per therm	\$ 0.1325	I

<u>Minimum Monthly Bill:</u>	\$ 300.00	I
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Adjustment Clauses:
 - a. Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet Nos. 9, 9a, 9b)
 - b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet No. 10)
 - c. BTU Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet Nos. 12, 12a)

4. **Other Provisions**
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CLASS OF SERVICE: Commercial and Industrial Rate No. 86
RATE DESIGNATION: Contract Sales Service

1. Applicability

This rate is available for gas volumes, on a contract basis, to commercial and industrial customers, including governmental entities. If no historical peak day usage is available, the nameplate input ratings of all gas burning equipment shall be used to determine a customer's maximum requirement.

2. Availability

This service is available to commercial and industrial customers, including governmental entities, with facilities served by the Company in South Dakota, with primarily space heating requirements, or grain dryers, who have Company installed telemetric equipment in place to monitor daily usage. This service is available on a firm or interruptible basis.

3. Rates

Customer may choose the rate option, and level of daily contract demand (never less than 50 therms), which best fits the customer's needs.

<u>Monthly Charges:</u>	<u>Option A</u>	<u>Option B</u>	
<i>Customer Charge</i> per Meter:	\$150.00	\$350.00	I
<i>Non-Gas Commodity Charge</i> , all use, per therm:	\$0.0662	\$0.0335	I
<i>Demand Charge</i> per therm of daily contract demand as shown on Sheet 9a, as applicable to firm service customers, never less than 50 therms.			

Unless otherwise mutually agreed upon between the Company and customer all elections must be for a minimum period of twelve consecutive months.

Released Capacity and Balancing Services Surcharge:

For all therms taken during a month in excess of the product of the daily contract demand times the number of days in the billing period an additional \$0.0170 per therm shall be assessed and added to the Gas Commodity Charge shown on Sheet No. 9a.

Such surcharges collected will be credited to expense in the Company's Adjustment Clause filings.

One-Time Charges:

Application Charge:	\$50.00 with each request for service.	
Telemetering:	Standard cost of telemetry, installation and hardware,	C
	including appropriate tax gross-up. Standard costs shall reflect actual costs	D
	and customers will be charged on a nondiscriminatory basis.	

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CLASS OF SERVICE: Commercial and Industrial	Rate No. <u>86</u>
RATE DESIGNATION: Contract Sales Service	

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Minimum Monthly Bill:

The Customer Charge plus the amount for terms of contract demand.

Adjustment Clauses:

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet Nos. 9, 9.1, 9a, 9b)
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet No. 10)
- c. BTU Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet Nos. 12, 12a)

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4. Surcharge Provision

During curtailment of service, upstream service providers may have available to the Company gas under a different and higher-priced rate than the cost of gas on which this rate is based. In addition, the Company may have propane peak shaving gas available. The surcharge rate per therm for propane peak shaving will be based on beginning of month average propane inventory cost in South Dakota. Should such higher-priced gas be available, the Company may offer it to customers served by this rate schedule with an appropriate surcharge to recover the Company's additional costs in lieu of curtailing service under this rate schedule. All surcharge gas charges collected will be in addition to the regular Commodity Charge for such gas. Costs collected will be credited to expense in the Company's Adjustment Clause filings.

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 SOUTH DAKOTA Cancelling 9th Revised Sheet No. 6.1

CLASS OF SERVICE: Gas Transportation Tariffs **Rate No. 87**
RATE DESIGNATION: Transportation Service

1. Applicability and Character of Service

This Transportation Service Tariff shall apply to gas purchased by Customer from a third-party supplier, or through an agency relationship with the Company, delivered to Company's system by an interstate pipeline, and received, transported, and delivered, on a firm basis, by Company to Customer's premises, when the Company and Customer have executed a Service Request Form.

2. Availability

This service is available to any Customer with facilities served by the Company in South Dakota who has Company installed telemetric equipment in place to monitor daily usage. Company shall have no obligation to provide gas supplies to customers that contract for this service without also contracting for Firm Supply Standby Service or other optional firm supply services that may be offered. In the event that a Customer seeks to purchase gas supplies from Company, such sales shall be at the sole discretion of Company.

3. Rates

Customer may choose the rate option which best fits the customer's needs.

<u>Monthly Charges:</u>	<u>Option A</u>	<u>Option B</u>	
<i>Customer Charge</i> per Meter:	\$150.00	\$350.00	I
<i>Commodity Charge</i> , all use, per therm:	\$0.0662	\$0.0335	I

NBPL Milbank Line Contract demand rate, per therm	\$1.08*	N
NBPL Milbank Line Firm Transport Only Credit, per therm of Contract demand (\$0.28)		N

* \$1.08 per therm of contract demand rate assumes delivery at Ortonville tap (milepost 54.6). Rate for deliveries at points upstream will be adjusted as follows: Mileage at selected delivery point divided by 54.6 times \$1.08.

Where a NBPL Milbank Line Customer transports volumes in excess of contract demand, all such additional transport volumes, will be assessed \$0.017 per therm per day.

Fuel Retention, a Customer or Group Customer, if applicable, shall have the option to choose either an indexed based or inkind method to apply retention, as provided in the Gas Transportation General Terms and Conditions in Section No. 5 of this tariff.

One-Time Charges:

Application Charge: \$50.00 with each request for service.
 Telemetry: Standard cost of telemetry, installation and hardware, including appropriate tax gross-up. Standard costs shall reflect actual costs and customers will be charged on a nondiscriminatory basis.

Minimum Monthly Bill: The Customer Charge

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Section No. 3
5th Revised Sheet No. 6.2
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CLASS OF SERVICE: Gas Transportation Tariffs
RATE DESIGNATION: Transportation Service

Rate No. 87

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Adjustment Clauses:

- a. Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet Nos. 9, 9.1, 9b)
- b. Tax Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet No. 10)
- c. BTU Adjustment Clause shall apply. (Sheet Nos. 12, 12a)

4. Other Provisions

Service will be furnished under the Company's General Terms and Conditions, as set forth in Section No. 5.

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GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS
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ACCESS TO PREMISES

The Company has the right of access to the Customer's premise at all reasonable times for the purpose of installing, reading, inspecting, or repairing any meters, devices and other equipment used in connection with furnishing of any or all service, or for the purpose of removing its property and for all other proper purposes.

Access to the meter is required for the Company to read the meter. If access is not provided, the Company may estimate the billing for up to three consecutive months. The Company will notify the Customer upon each unsuccessful attempt to access the meter. If access has not been provided at the end of the three consecutive month period, the Company may charge a \$20 Special Access Fee in order to secure an actual read of the meter.

PROTECTION OF COMPANY'S PROPERTY

The Customer will properly protect the Company's property on the Customer's premises from loss or damage and will permit no one who is not an agent of the Company to remove or tamper with the Company's property.

METERING

The service used will be measured by a meter or meters to be furnished and installed by the Company at its own expense and upon the registration of said meters all bills will be calculated. If more than one meter is installed on different classes of service (each class being charged for at different rates) each meter will be considered by itself in calculating the amount of any bill, except as otherwise provided on a specific rate schedule. Meters include all measuring instruments.

BYPASSING OR TAMPERING WITH METERING FACILITIES

Customers shall not interfere in any way with the metering facilities after they have been set in place. In cases where the meter seal is broken or the working parts of the meter have been tampered with or the meter damaged or there is evidence that a bypass has been used, the Utility may render a bill for the current billing period based upon the estimated use, considering past experience under similar conditions and may, in addition thereto, charge for the actual cost of repairing or replacing said meter and connections. In instances where a disconnected customer has reconnected their own service, the Company may charge \$100 to correct the unauthorized changes and reconnect the service. Service may be discontinued or refused at the premises where such bypassing or tampering has occurred until all such charges are paid. Legal action may also be pursued in the instance of meter tampering. This section does not apply to metering facilities that are damaged by acts of God.

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Section No. 6
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NORTHWESTERN ENERGY - SOUTH DAKOTA
REQUEST FOR TELEMETERING SERVICE

In order to provide gas transportation service under the terms of the Gas Transportation Tariff a customer must have telemetry equipment installed. According to the terms of the tariff, the customer will be billed for all costs relating to the installation of the required telemetry equipment. This charge will be considered a non-refundable contribution in aid of construction. NorthWestern Energy (NWE) will retain ownership of the equipment and be responsible for maintenance. The charges include an income tax gross-up of the contribution amount.

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The standard labor and equipment charged to the customer include the following:

- 1) Cost of the telemetering hardware
- 2) Hardware necessary to retrofit existing meter (electrocorrector installation)
- 3) Labor required to modify meter
- 4) Labor required to install telemetering equipment

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The telemetering installation costs will be billed as an additional item on the monthly transportation billing. If you would like NWE to bill your gas supplier for these charges, please enter the supplier's information below. You, as the customer of NWE, will have responsibility for these charges should payment not be received by NWE from the supplier designated.

Gas Supplier to be billed: _____

Contact: _____

Phone: _____

Return this executed Request for Telemetering Service to:

NorthWestern Energy
600 Market Street W.
Huron, South Dakota 57350
Phone: (605) 352-8411 or 1-800-245-6977
FAX: (605) 353-8346

Agreed to by: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____

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