

**Fixed Price Gas Contract for
Purchase and Delivery of Natural Gas to _____**

1. Agreement and Service:

This Agreement is made and entered this ____ day of _____, to be effective _____ by and between NorthWestern Energy, a South Dakota corporation, hereinafter referred to as "Company", and _____, hereinafter referred to as "Customer." Company will provide a natural gas supply and management service providing for the purchase and delivery of fixed price natural gas volumes as agreed to by Customer.

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2. Quantity of Natural Gas:

Company will agree to sell and supply natural gas at the existing interconnection between the facilities of Company and the Customer. Customer agrees to purchase and receive at this point from Company natural gas supplies. Customer elects to purchase fixed base load gas quantity per month from Company as set forth in Appendix A. The monthly volume commitment is based on the Customer's average consumption over the previous three years. Adjustments will be allowed for material changes in the nature of the Customer's business. Company will provide swing load gas quantity for actual gas usage above the base load quantity shown in Appendix A.

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3. Commodity Charge - Gas Supply:

a. Fixed Rate: The fixed rate for the months shown in Appendix A is established at _____ including the gross up for applicable fuel rates for all pipeline and distribution systems utilized in delivery of Customer's supply. Swing gas supply for consumption beyond the contracted average will be available at this price as well.

b. Index Rate: For any months that Customer is not purchasing fixed-price base load gas, as shown in Appendix A, all gas purchases will be priced at the monthly Ventura/Demarcation index price.

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4. Term:

The term of this Agreement will be from _____ through _____.

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5. Terms of Payment:

Bills are due upon receipt and are delinquent per the General Terms and Conditions of Company's South Dakota Gas Rate Schedule.

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