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**TO WHOM AVAILABLE**

Available to a Producer of Renewable Gas that (a) are connected to the Company's gas system, and (b) certify in writing and demonstrate that its gas production will average at least 100 Dth, but no more than an average of 5,000 Dth, per day on a calendar year basis, unless otherwise agreed to by Company.

An eligible Producer electing service under this Rate Schedule shall enter into a mutually agreeable written agreement for the balancing of the Producer's quantities of Renewable Gas delivered to Company's gas system for use by one of the following:

- Customer taking service under Rate 228 (Large Transportation and Balancing Service);
- Customer taking service under Rate 238 (General Transportation and Balancing Service);
- Imbalance netting pool operator; or
- Choice Supplier taking service under Rate 245 (Supplier Aggregation Service).

The Customer shall be solely responsible for compliance with applicable federal laws and regulations.

**CHARACTER OF SERVICE**

Service under this Rate Schedule shall be for balancing service. The delivery point shall be the mutually agreed upon point of interconnection of the Producer's facilities to NIPSCO's transmission or distribution system.

Renewable Gas delivered to the Company under this Rate Schedule shall be deliverable to and included in the daily nominations for any one of the following:

- Customer taking service under Rate 228 (Large Transportation and Balancing Service);
- Customer taking service under Rate 238 (General Transportation and Balancing Service);
- Imbalance netting pool operator; or
- Choice Supplier taking service under Rate 245 (Supplier Aggregation Service).

The Producer shall deliver and the Customer taking service under Rate 228 or Rate 238, imbalance netting pool operator, or Choice Supplier shall receive within the same transportation zone.

During a Critical Period, the Company will have the right to restrict the availability of deliveries and receipts made under this Rate Schedule.

Service under this Rate Schedule is available on a best efforts basis, and the quantity of Renewable Gas the Company will accept from the Producer each day may be limited, and is dependent on (a) the Company's ability to physically accept deliveries at the delivery point each day; and (b) the Renewable Gas meeting all applicable Company Gas Standards.

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**BALANCING AND SCHEDULING**

Balancing and scheduling of Renewable Gas delivered by the Producer shall be in accordance with one of the following options chosen by the Producer in conjunction with its written agreement with the Company. The Producer may alter its election of Option A or Option B to be effective on July 1 of each year upon written notification to the Company on or before June 1 of each year. If the Producer fails to provide written notice of a change in election by June 1 of any year, then the balancing option elected for the prior period shall remain in effect for the next 12 months.

**OPTION A - NOMINATED GAS DELIVERY**

Each delivery point will be balanced separately for each Producer.

Producer shall provide daily nomination by 11:30 a.m. C.C.T. the day prior to the start of the Gas Day.

The daily imbalance is the difference between the nominated production volume and the actual produced volume as measured at the delivery point. If the actual produced volume exceeds the nominated production volume, an over-production occurs. If the actual produced volume is less than the nominated production volume, an under-production occurs.

**Provisions for Cash-Out of Daily Imbalances:**

The Producer shall use its best efforts to balance within plus or minus five percent (5%) (except during a Critical Period) on a daily basis its confirmed nominations of gas at the Producer's delivery point with its production at the same delivery point. Volume imbalances shall be subject to the daily charges provided herein.

**Daily Imbalances During Non-Critical Periods**

**For Under-Production Imbalances** (the Producer's nominated volume is greater than its metered volume) the Producer will reimburse the Company at the rates below:

<b>Imbalance Level</b>	<b>Producer Reimburses Company</b>
-0% to -4.99%	100% of the greater of Daily Index or First of Month Index
-5% to -9.99%	110% of the greater of Daily Index or First of Month Index
-10% to -20%	120% of the greater of Daily Index or First of Month Index
Under -20%	140% of the greater of Daily Index or First of Month Index

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**OPTION A - NOMINATED GAS DELIVERY (continued)**

**For Over-Production Imbalances** (the Producer's nominated volume is less than its metered volume) the Company will reimburse the Producer at the rates below:

<b>Imbalance Level</b>	<b>Company Reimburses Producer</b>
+ 0% to 4.99%	100% of the lesser of Daily Index or First of Month Index
+ 5% to 9.99%	90% of the lesser of Daily Index or First of Month Index
+10% to 20%	80% of the lesser of Daily Index or First of Month Index
Over + 20%	60% of the lesser of Daily Index or First of Month Index

The Daily Index price shall be the prices posted under the table City Gate, Pooling Point Prices as published in Gas Daily. Zone A will be the daily price posted in Gas Daily / Daily Chicago City-gate Midpoint Price. Zones B and E will be the daily price posted in Gas Daily / Daily Mich Con City-gate Midpoint Price. In the event this posting is unavailable, the Company will establish a new Daily Index price. The First of Month Index price shall be the "Prices of Spot Gas Delivered to Pipeline" for the first day of each month appearing under the table "Upper Midwest" as published in the INSIDE FERC Gas Market Report. Zone A will be priced using the Chicago City-gate index. Zones B and E will be priced using the Mich Con City-gate index.

**Daily Imbalances During a Critical Period**

**For Under-Production Imbalances** (the Producer's nominated volume is greater than its metered volume) the Producer will reimburse the Company at the rates below:

<b>Imbalance Level</b>	<b>Producer Reimburses Company</b>
-0% to -0.99%	100% of the greater of Daily Index or First of Month Index
-1% to -4.99%	110% of the greater of Daily Index or First of Month Index
-5% to -10%	120% of the greater of Daily Index or First of Month Index
Under -10%	140% of the greater of Daily Index or First of Month Index

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**For Over-Production Imbalances** (the Producer's nominated volume is less than its metered volume) the Company will reimburse the Producer at the rates below:

<b>Imbalance Level</b>	<b>Company Reimburses Producer</b>
+ 0% to 0.99%	100% of the lesser of Daily Index or First of Month Index
+ 1% to 4.99%	90% of the lesser of Daily Index or First of Month Index
+ 5% to 10%	80% of the lesser of Daily Index or First of Month Index
Over + 10%	60% of the lesser of Daily Index or First of Month Index

In addition to the above charges, Producer will pay the greater of the applicable rates under Rider 231 – Critical Undertake Day or Critical Overtake Day Penalty Rider or the allocated pipeline penalty charges.

The Company shall use reasonable efforts to notify Producers when a Critical Period is in effect on its system, as defined under the Notification Period.

Should the Producer be in an imbalance during a Critical Period which is opposite the Company's imbalance during the Critical Period, the Producer shall be assessed as follows:

- (1) The greater of Daily Index or First of Month Index for all Under Delivery Imbalances; or
- (2) The greater of Daily Index or First of Month Index for all Over Delivery Imbalances.

The Daily Index price and the First of Month Index price shall be as defined above under Daily Imbalances during Non-Critical Periods.

**OPTION B – BEST EFFORTS NO NOTICE BALANCING**

The Company will on a best efforts basis take available deliveries into its system.

The contracted delivery party receiving this supply must accept the actual volumes produced as measured at the delivery point by the Producer and metered by the Company. This daily produced quantity shall be considered a daily city gate supply and included with the contracted transportation customer, imbalance netting pool operator or Choice Supplier under Supplier Aggregation Service total daily nominated supply for balancing under the balancing provisions as defined in the applicable tariff. If such an agreement has not been reached with the contracted delivery party, the Producer will not qualify for Option B service.

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**OPTION B – BEST EFFORTS NO NOTICE BALANCING (continued)**

Any Producer choosing Option B will be required to notify Company, in the written agreement, which transportation customer, imbalance netting pool operator or Choice Supplier under Supplier Aggregation Service will be receiving the actual volumes delivered by the Producer and metered by the Company.

**RATE**

**Producer Charge – Option A and Option B**

\$344.76 per month

**Administrative Charge for Balancing Services – Option A Only**

\$1,566.20 per month

**METERING AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS**

Producer shall have a daily meter recording device which will be installed by the Company at the Producer's expense. The Company may, on a non-discriminatory basis, require Producer to furnish access to a phone line.

**AGREEMENT**

Any Producer requesting service under this Rate Schedule shall enter into a written agreement with the Company for an initial period of one (1) year, and such agreement shall continue from month to month thereafter unless cancelled by either party giving to the other party sixty (60) days' prior written notice of the termination of such agreement at the end of the initial period or any monthly period thereafter.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Service herein shall be subject to the Company Rules and IURC Rules.

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