



Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.

400 N 4th Street
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Availability:

In all communities served for all interruptible general gas service customers whose interruptible natural gas load will exceed an input rate of 2,500,000 Btu per hour, metered at a single delivery point and whose use of natural gas will not exceed 40,000 dk annually. The rates herein are applicable only to customer's interruptible load. Customer's firm natural gas requirements must be separately metered or specified in a firm service agreement. Customer's firm load shall be billed at Firm General Gas Service Rate 70. For interruption purposes, the maximum daily firm requirement shall be set forth in the firm service agreement.

Rate:

Basic Service Charge:	\$210.00 per month		I
Distribution Delivery Charge:	<u>Maximum</u> \$0.380 per dk	<u>Minimum</u> \$0.047 per dk	L IL
Cost of Gas:	Determined Monthly – See Rate Summary Sheet for Current Rate		D

Minimum Bill:

Basic Service Charge.

Payment:

Billed amounts will be considered past due if not paid by the due date shown on the bill. Past due bills are subject to a late payment charge in accordance with the provisions of Rate 100, §V.12, or any amendments or alterations thereto.

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Cost of Gas:

The cost of gas includes all applicable cost of gas items as defined in Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment Rate 88 or any amendments or alterations thereto. The cost of gas component is subject to change on a monthly basis.

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General Terms and Conditions:

1. **PRIORITY OF SERVICE** - Deliveries of gas under this schedule shall be subject at all times to the prior demands of customers served on the Company's firm general gas service rates, and the Company shall have the right to interrupt deliveries to customers under this schedule without being required to give previous notice of intention to so interrupt whenever, in Company's sole judgment, it may be necessary to do so to protect the interest of its customers whose capacity requirements are otherwise and hereby given preference. The priority of service and allocation of capacity shall be accomplished in accordance with the Provisions of Rate 100, §V.10.
2. **PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO CURTAIL OR INTERRUPT** - If customer fails to curtail or interrupt their use of gas hereunder when requested to do so by the Company, any gas taken shall be billed at the charges applicable under Firm General Gas Service Rate 70 (excluding the Basic Service Charge), plus either an amount equal to any penalty payments or overrun charges the Company is required to make to its interconnecting pipeline(s) under the terms of its contract(s) as a result of such failure to curtail or interrupt, or \$50.00 per dk of gas used in excess of the volume of gas to which customer was requested to curtail or interrupt, whichever amount is greater. The Company, in its discretion, may shut off customer's supply of gas in the event of customer's failure to curtail or interrupt use of gas when requested to do so by the Company.
3. **AGREEMENT** - Upon request of the Company, customer may be required to enter into an agreement for service hereunder. If mutually agreed to by the Company and customer, the term of service reflected in such agreement may be amended. Upon expiration of service, the customer may apply for and receive, at the sole discretion of the Company, gas service under another appropriate rate schedule for the customer's operations.
4. **OBLIGATION TO NOTIFY COMPANY OF CHANGE IN DAILY OPERATIONS** - Customer will be required as specified in the service agreement to notify Company of an anticipated change in daily operations. Failure to comply with requirements specified in the service agreement may result in the assessment of penalties to the customer equal to the penalty amounts Company must pay to the interconnecting pipeline caused by customer's action.

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- 5. METERING REQUIREMENTS –
 - a. Remote data acquisition equipment (telemetry equipment) required by the Company for a single customer installation for daily measurement will be purchased and installed by the Company prior to the initiation of service hereunder.
 - b. Customers may be required, upon consultation with the Company, to contribute towards additional metering equipment necessary for daily measurement by the Company, depending on the location of the customer to the Company’s network facilities. Enhancements and/or modifications to these services may be required to ensure equipment functionality. Such enhancements or modifications shall be completed at the direction of the Company with all associated costs the Customer’s responsibility. Any interruption in such services must be promptly remedied or service under this tariff will be suspended until satisfactory corrections have been made.
 - c. Consultation between the customer and the Company regarding telemetry requirements shall occur prior to execution of the required service agreement.
- 6. RULES - The foregoing schedule is subject to Rates 100 through 140 and any amendments or alterations thereto or additional rules and regulations promulgated by the Company under the laws of the state.

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