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C11. CUSTOMER ATTACHMENT PROGRAM

(1) Purpose

The Company proposes to make extension of its gas mains and/or service lines from time to time, at its own cost, to serve applicants whose requirements will not disturb or impair the service to prior users or will not require an expenditure out of proportion to the revenue obtainable therefrom.

The Company reserves the right to delay or deny a request for service under this rule, if fulfilling such a request could, in the Company's opinion, create conditions potentially adverse to the Company or its customers. Such conditions may include, but are not limited to, safety issues, system operating requirements or capital constraints. The provisions under this Rule are in addition to the existing rules and tariffs for customer gas service.

(2) Customer Contribution

A Customer Contribution shall be required equal to the Connection Fee plus any applicable Fixed Monthly Surcharge plus any Excessive Service Line Fee. **The Connection Fee is not considered in the CAP model when calculating the Fixed Monthly Surcharge or Excessive Service Line Fee.**

(3) Payment of Customer Contribution

For all customers other than land developers and builders the Customer Contribution shall be paid as follows:

The Connection Fee and the Excessive Service Line Fee are payable in lump sum at the time the service agreement is executed by the customer. The Connection Fee is non-refundable. The Excessive Service Line Fee is refundable if the service line has not been installed. If the service line has been installed, the Excessive Service Line Fee is non-refundable.

The Fixed Monthly Surcharge shall be payable monthly throughout the surcharge period. The Fixed Monthly Surcharge will commence on the date that the customer receives gas service. The customer may at any time elect to pay off the remaining Fixed Monthly Surcharge balance with a lump sum payment equal to the present value of the remaining monthly payments. If the present value of the Fixed Monthly Surcharge is less than \$200.00, the Company may require the customer to make a lump sum payment. The Fixed Monthly Surcharge is assessed to the property served such that any subsequent customer requesting gas service at the property address, once notified by the Company of the amount and duration of such surcharge, shall be liable for the Fixed Monthly Surcharge. Such notification may be verbal, written or in the form of a bill which includes the Fixed Monthly Surcharge. Failure of sellers, agents, lessors or other non-company parties to notify a customer of the Fixed Monthly Surcharge shall not relieve the customer's obligation to pay the Fixed Monthly Surcharge. Failure by the customer to timely pay the Fixed Monthly Surcharge shall result in the discontinuation, termination or denial of natural gas service.

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(3) Payment of Customer Contribution (Contd)

For land developers and builders, the Customer Contribution shall be required in a lump sum in advance of the facility expansion.

(4) Connection Fee

The Connection Fee is equal to \$200.00. **The Connection Fee is not considered in the CAP Model when calculating the Fixed Monthly Surcharge or Excessive Service Line Fee.**

For customers requesting a multiple metered installation, the Connection Fee shall be \$100 per account.

(5) Excessive Service Line Fee

The Excessive Service Line Fee will be assessed to a customer whose service line requirement is in excess of the Service Line Limit. The Service Line Limit for an individual service line shall be equal to the point at which the cost of the customer's service requirements are greater than the allowance based on the Cost Of Service Model. The Company reserves the right to use a different Service Line Limit for different categories of customers. In calculating the average service line length for a project containing more than one customer, the maximum length of each service line to be included in the calculation is the Service Line Limit for a primary residential home.

The Company, in its sole discretion, may waive the excessive service line fee or extend the service line limit for all attaching parties based on the economics of a proposed project. Any such waiver or extension shall not be effective unless provided in writing by the Company.

(6) Fixed Monthly Surcharge

A Fixed Monthly Surcharge (Surcharge) will be calculated for each Customer Attachment Project (Project). The Surcharge will recover the Revenue Deficiency anticipated from the proposed Project. The Surcharge is calculated such that the present value of the anticipated Surcharges collected from the Project will equal the net present value Revenue Deficiency. The Surcharge will be recoverable over a predetermined time period, not to exceed ten years. The Company will be responsible for determining the appropriate Surcharge time period. The Surcharge will be a fixed dollar amount for all customers within the Project and will expire on the same date for all customers within the Project, regardless of when the surcharge was initially assessed to the customer. The Surcharge will not be subject to adjustment, reconciliation or refund. A customer who attaches to a Project after the surcharge period has expired or a customer whose proposed attachment was beyond the scope of the original a Project, will be treated as a separate Project.

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(7) Customer Attachment Project

A Project may consist of a single customer, requiring only the installation of a service line and meter, or may consist of numerous customers requiring the installation of mains, service lines and meters. A Project will generally be defined as a customer or group of customers that may be served from the contiguous expansion of new distribution facilities.

(8) Revenue Deficiency

A discounted Cost of Service Model (Model) will be used to calculate the Net Present Value (NPV) Revenue Deficiency anticipated from a Project. The Model will use the expected incremental revenues and incremental costs associated with the Project for each year of a twenty year period. From this information an annual net revenue excess or deficiency will be calculated. The annual net revenue excess or deficiency will be discounted and summed to determine the NPV revenue deficiency of the Project. If the NPV revenue deficiency is negative, the discounted revenues exceed the discounted costs, then a NPV revenue deficiency of zero will be used.

(9) Model Assumptions:

Incremental Revenues:

The Incremental Revenues will be calculated based on current rates and a forecast of the timing and number of customer attachments as well as the customers' annual consumption levels.

Incremental Costs:

(i) Carrying Cost Rate

The Carrying Cost Rate will be based on the weighted rate of debt, equity and associated taxes. The cost will be equal to and weighted in proportion to those authorized in the Company's most recent rate order. The Carrying Cost Rate is equal to **10.80%**.

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(ii) Plant in Service

Plant in Service shall reflect the Company's estimated cost to construct distribution mains, customer service lines, meters and pressure regulators or regulating facilities for the Project. The timing of the facility investment, primarily service lines, will correspond with the projected timing of the customer attachments.

The facility investment for an individual customer service line will be limited to the greater of 400 feet or 150% of the average length of all service lines within the Project.

(iii) Carrying Costs

The Carrying Costs will be the product of the average of beginning and end-of-year net plant, Plant in Service minus accumulated depreciation minus deferred taxes, multiplied by the Carrying Cost Rate, noted in paragraph 1 above.

(iv) Depreciation

Depreciation expense will be the product of Plant in Service multiplied by the appropriate prescribed depreciation rates approved for the Company.

(v) Property Taxes and Other Operating Expenses

Property taxes will be the product of Plant in Service multiplied by the Company's average property tax rate. All other incremental operating expenses will be included as identified. Incremental O&M will at a minimum include a proportional cost for monthly meter reading, billing and mailing.

(vi) Discount Rate

The Discount Rate will be a weighted rate of long-term debt and common equity. The cost will be equal to and weighted in proportion to those authorized in the Company's most recent rate order. Based on the Company's rate order in Case No. U-15549 dated January 13, 2009, the Discount Rate is equal to **7.60%**.

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(10) Customer Attachment Project Areas

All gas sold in any area specifically listed below is subject to the following Customer Attachment Project (CAP) charges. CAP areas and charges shall be added to or removed from the list from time to time by the Company.

<u>CAP No.</u>	<u>CAP Area</u>	<u>CAP Charge Per Month</u>	<u>Last Billing Month For Surcharge</u>
246	Indian Channel	\$25.74	October 2009
250	Green Lake	\$31.13	March 2012
251	E. Labo Road/Lazy Oaks	\$19.53	December 2008

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