

SOUTH DAKOTA GAS RATE SCHEDULE

NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION d/b/a NORTHWESTERN ENERGY **Section No. 3**
SIOUX FALLS 11th Revised **Sheet No. 3.1**
SOUTH DAKOTA Canceling 10th 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, 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. 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. T
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- 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 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:	<u>\$ 100.00</u>	<u>\$300.00</u>
<i>Non-Gas Commodity Charge</i> , all use, per therm:	<u>\$0.0662</u>	<u>\$0.0335</u>
<i>Demand Charge</i> per therm of daily firm demand as shown on Sheet 9a. T		

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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NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION d/b/a NORTHWESTERN ENERGY **Section No. 3**
SIOUX FALLS 8th Revised **Sheet No. 3.2**
SOUTH DAKOTA Canceling 7th Revised **Sheet No. 3.2**

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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 firm 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.

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Minimum Monthly Bill:

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

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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 Daily Demand , then all unauthorized gas in excess of Daily 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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5. 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 Adjustment Clause filings.

6. Procedure for Curtailment of Service

Service, other than firm service, which is rendered under this rate schedule shall be subject to curtailment by the Company in accordance with the priority guidelines set forth in the Company's General Terms and Conditions, Section No. 5, Sheet No. 5.2. The Customer shall, as directed, curtail the use of natural gas in excess of firm contracted volumes upon two (2) hours notice by the Company, unless the notification is waived by the Customer.

7. Other Provisions

Service will be furnished under the Company's General Terms and Conditions, as set forth in Section No. 5. Daily firm demand shall be assigned by the Company based on 1) a 24 cold day read or 2) if a 24 hour cold day read is not available, the daily average of the customer's highest usage month, or 3) in the instance of a customer new to the system, the firm demand will be established based on an agreed upon connected load between the Company and the customer, and will be updated with items 1) or 2) as the information becomes available.

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