

**METROPOLITAN**  
**UTILITIES DISTRICT**

**SCHEDULE B**  
**COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL FIRM GAS SERVICE**  
**EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2, 2023**

**(Supersedes Schedule B effective January 2, 2021)**

**AVAILABILITY**

This rate schedule is available to customers purchasing firm gas for commercial or industrial purposes, including space heating, under the following conditions:

1. When residential gas use is combined with commercial or industrial gas use on a single meter, all gas used will be classified as commercial or industrial.
2. Multiple housing customers having more than three dwelling units connected to a single meter shall be considered commercial.
3. The total daily requirement for all gas uses shall not exceed 199,000 cubic feet per day.
4. District may require a customer to furnish daily meter readings for the purpose of monitoring the customer's gas load.

**LARGE VOLUME USE**

Loads in excess of 199,000 cubic feet per day must have received special authorization from District President.

**METERING AND BILLING UNITS**

District gas meters register in units of cubic feet. For billing purposes, gas meters are read in units of cubic feet, either CCF (100 cubic feet) or Mcf (1,000 cubic feet). In most cases, the index readings from the meter can be directly applied in the billing process. In some instances, direct readings from the meter index require correction for pressure and/or temperature. Some of the District's larger commercial/industrial meters are equipped with correction devices including an additional index showing the corrected usage.

Supercompressibility Adjustment – Due to the behavior of gas molecules under high pressures, additional correction to index readings in certain situations will be applied. For example, meter readings for customers receiving gas metered at pressures equal to or greater than 40 psig or for customers receiving gas metered at pressures equal to or greater than 10 psig with annual usage of 50,000 Mcf or more shall be adjusted for supercompressibility. The supercompressibility adjustment factor shall be specifically identified on the customer's monthly bill.

\*Billing Units – The billing unit under this rate schedule is a therm [one hundred thousand British thermal units (Btu)]. The number of therms billed hereunder in any month shall be determined by multiplying the volume of gas in cubic feet by the average heating value of the gas, expressed in Btu per cubic foot as applicable for such month and dividing this product by 100,000.

Example 1: 50 CCF X 1.030 (heat value) X 1.0998 pressure factor = 56.640 therms.

Example 2: 120 MCF X 1.030 (heat value) X 1.0998 pressure factor = 135.935 therms.

**RATE - MONTHLY BILLING**

- Service Charge (per month) \$ 18.62
- Commercial Gas Infrastructure Replacement Charge (per month) \$ 27.00
- Industrial Gas Infrastructure Replacement Charge (per month) \$350.00
  
- Base Commodity Charge (per therm)

	<u>Nov thru Mar</u>	<u>Apr thru Oct</u>
– First 2,500 Therms	\$.1588	\$.0775
– Over 2,500 Therms	\$.1431	\$.0620
  
- Gas Cost (All gas used)
  - a. Weighted Avg Cost of Gas (WACOG) (see Rate Schedule GCA)
  - b. Gas Cost Adjustment (GCA) (see Rate Schedule GCA)
  
- The minimum monthly bill shall be the sum of the monthly Service Charge and monthly Gas Infrastructure Replacement Charge.

**GAS COST**

The Base Commodity Charge will be combined with the Weighted Average Cost of Gas (WACOG) and Gas Cost Adjustment (GCA) for a combined Commodity Billing Rate in accordance with Schedule GCA, Gas Cost Adjustment Provisions.

Rates included herein are subject to monthly adjustment for changes in cost of natural gas to District and peak shaving costs as provided for in gas rate Schedule GCA, Gas Cost Adjustment Provisions. For current billing rate and/or billing rate history contact the District’s Marketing or Rate Divisions.

**STATUTORY PAYMENT TO CITIES**

Under Sections 14-2138 and 2139, R.R.S.1997, the District is required to pay to each city or village two (2) percent of retail sales of gas. Two (2) percent has not been included in the above rates. Therefore, the rates for all customers residing inside corporate limits is 2 percent greater than the rate indicated above. This 2% statutory requirement does not apply to gas infrastructure replacement charges.

**PAYMENT**

The monthly bill will be rendered at the above net rate. If not paid within fifteen (15) days of date of bill, unpaid gas charges are subject to a late payment charge of four (4) percent.

**TURN-ON CHARGE**

A turn-on charge will be required upon application for gas service.

**EMERGENCY PRIORITY**

Gas service under this schedule is subject to curtailment to meet fuel requirements of higher emergency priority customers. Emergency priority customers shall be determined by District or as directed by other governmental authority having jurisdiction.

**STRANDED COSTS**

Customers who have received firm service for a period of three years or more and who convert to interruptible service or transportation service shall be subject to the “Stranded pipeline/supply costs” monthly charge as provided for under the District’s rate “Schedule FT, Firm Gas Transportation Service”. This provision shall also apply where there has been continuous service for three years or more at the same service address under one or more ownership changes.