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Advice No. 626 - Gas

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This proposed change will have minimal impact on customer's initial or final bill for service.

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This filing will have no effect on the Company's annual revenues because the proposed change in the prorate method will not result in a change in amounts billed to customers in total.

It is desired that this filing become effective on June 25, 2004.

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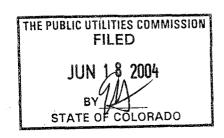
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The purpose of this filing is to amend Advice No. 626 - Gas, filed May 25, 2004, to change the proposed effective date of the tariffs from June 25, 2004 to July 25, 2004. The Company has agreed to an extension of the effective date to allow additional time for further discussion and review of the issues involved in this docket.

It is desired that this filing become effective on July 25, 2004.



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RULES AND REGULATIONS

NATURAL GAS SERVICE

GENERAL

#### MONTHLY BILLS

P.O. Box 840

Bills for service will be rendered monthly. The term "month" for billing purposes means the period between any two consecutive regular readings by the Company of the meters at the customer's premise(s), such readings to be taken as nearly as may be practicable every thirty days. However, the Company reserves the right to require payment of bills for service at more frequent intervals. In such event, meters will be read at the intervals specified by the Company. If the Company is unable to read a meter after reasonable effort, the customer will be billed on an estimated usage based on the best available information.

For residential customers and commercial customers without interval T data metering, if an initial or final bill is for a period less than the T monthly billing period described above, billing, including consumption, T will be prorated based on a ratio determined using, as the numerator, the T number of days in the monthly billing period during which service has been T provided to the customer and, as the denominator, 30 days. For commercial T and industrial customers with interval data metering, if an initial or T final bill is for a period less than the monthly billing period described T above, billing will be based on the actual meter readings during the T shortened period with only the demand and the service a facilities charges T being prorated using the ratio described above.

for service, including any tax All bills excise imposed by governmental authority, are due and payable at an office of the Company, or to an authorized agent of the Company, not later than the due date shown on The bill will be considered as received by the customer when the bill. mailed to, or left at, the location where service is used or at some other location that has been mutually agreed upon. Final bills, weekly bills, special bills, and bills for connection and reconnection are due on presentation. If the customer fails to receive a bill, the Company, upon request, will issue a duplicate. However, failure to receive a bill in no way exempts the customer from payment for service rendered.

When Company for any reason submits a bill to a customer for utility service which contains an estimated reading or a no charge, Company will include on such bill a notice informing customer that the bill does contain an estimate or no charge. Also included on such bill will be a statement requesting customer to call Company so an accurate meter reading may be obtained. In all bills for additional charges resulting from a period of

estimated or skipped billings, Company will include a written notice of customer's right to pay such additiona the PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION charges in installments, where such charges were not the THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION result of meter inaccessibility and customer's refusal to read his own meter.

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GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

NATURAL GAS SALES SERVICE

### RESIDENTIAL

## RESIDENTIAL DEPOSITS AND REFUNDS - Cont'd

An act of subterfuge shall result in the billing of a required deposit. Subterfuge includes, but is not limited to, the use of a fictitious name by applicant for service to avoid paying prior indebtedness to Company; or an application for service at a given location in the name of another party by a customer whose account is delinquent and who continues to reside at the premises.

(8) Any residential deposit as required herein is not to be considered as advance payment or partial payment of any bill for service and shall not be transferable. The deposit is security for payment for service and is to be applied against unpaid bills only in the event service for the account on which the deposit was being held as security is no longer provided.

# DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE AT CUSTOMER'S REQUEST - RESIDENTIAL

A customer wishing to discontinue service should give at least three days' notice to Company. A customer shall remain liable for service until such notice is received. Notice to discontinue service will not relieve a customer from any minimum or guaranteed payment under any contract or applicable rate schedule.

## DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE BY COMPANY - RESIDENTIAL

Company may discontinue service upon not less than ten days' written notice to customer and to any designated third party of Company's intention to discontinue service:

- If customer fails to pay, or make arrangements for payment of, (1)bills for service rendered as provided in these rules.
- If customer fails to comply with Company's rules and regulations (2) after due notice of such failure is given by Company and reasonable time is allowed for compliance.
- If customer's use of service is detrimental to the natural gas (3) service being furnished by Company to other customers in the immediate vicinity or supplied from the same system.

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NATURAL GAS SALES SERVICE

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## COMMERCIAL DEPOSITS AND REFUNDS - Cont'd

customer whose service is terminated for An existing commercial nonpayment will be required to make a deposit or an additional deposit prior to restoration of service, but the total deposit shall not exceed an estimated ninety days' bill. At any time an existing customer receives a fourth Notice of Discontinuance within the most recent six months' period, the customer will be subject to the deposit requirements as described herein. Customer deposits will be required in cases involving subterfuge.

All commercial customers adjudicated bankrupt or under reorganization by Court order will be required to make a deposit in accordance with these rules or as may be ordered by the Court.

Any customer deposit as required hereunder shall not be considered as advance payment or partial payment of any bill for service and shall not be transferable to another customer. The deposit is security for payment of service to be applied against unpaid bills only in the event service for which the deposit was being held as account on security discontinued.

Customer deposits for commercial accounts will be retained by the Company for a minimum period of two years or until service is discontinued, if sooner than two years.

Refunds of commercial deposits will be made at any time following the two year retention period in which the customer's most recent twelve months' history indicates that service has not been discontinued for nonpayment and not more than two Notices of Discontinuance have been mailed during the most recent twelve months' period of which none were mailed within the most recent six months. Refunds will otherwise be made only at such time as service is discontinued and all outstanding bills have been paid.

Interest at the rate of 1.30 percent per annum shall be paid during the period January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004 on customer deposits, either in cash or by a credit to the customer's account. Interest will be paid upon refund of the deposit or annually upon request of a customer. The interest rate is subject to change January 1 each year in accordance with the rules of The Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado. Whenever the interest rate is changed, deposits held by the Company shall earn interest at the new rate for the portion of time the deposit is held beyond the effective date of the interest rate change.

DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE AT CUSTOMER'S REQUEST - COMMERCIAL

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INTERRUPTIBLE INDUSTRIAL

#### INDUSTRIAL DEPOSITS AND REFUNDS - Cont'd

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