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January 28, 2014

## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Mr. Daniel P. Wolf Executive Secretary Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, Suite 350 St. Paul. Minnesota 55101-2147

RE: Contract Demand Entitlement Supplemental Information

Docket No. G022/M-14-651

Dear Mr. Wolf:

The purpose of this letter to provide information regarding a short-term change to Greater Minnesota Gas's transportation subscription during October, 2014. In late September, 2014, GMG was notified that Viking's mainline transportation would be disrupted in October to perform hydro testing. Viking advised that the outage was expected to be complete by October 18, 2014. However, whenever a hydro test is performed, uncertainly exists as to whether an extended outage will be required for repairs.

Since the entire Viking supplies through Emerson were being suspended, GMG was concerned that interruptible Northern Natural capacity to Viking through Chisago was not reliable enough to ensure firm supply for GMG's customers. To ensure firm supply, GMG subscribed for 1000 dekatherms of firm transport on Northern Natural to Chisago for the entire month of October. The firm subscription was only necessary for one month as, effective November 1, 2014, GMG had 2000 dekatherms of firm TF 5 capacity available on Northern with a Chisago delivery point, as reflected in its initial demand entitlement filing.

During the month of October, GMG experienced higher than forecasted sales and, as a result, GMG fully utilized the 1,000 dekatherms of firm capacity. The impact of GMG's actions on GMG's gas cost was a \$961 savings in addition to ensuring reliable supply for customers. The following attachments provide additional illustrative information:

- 1. Revised Attachment B (compared to that filed with initial Petition);
- 2. Revised Attachment C (compared to that filed with initial Petition);
- 3. GMG's Actual October, 2014 PGA Section Including 1,000 Dth TFX; and,
- 4. Illustrative October, 2014 PGA Section Removing 1,000 Dth TFX.



In discussions with Department of Commerce staff, GMG has been notified that the Commission should be notified of this adjustment. GMG agrees and is making significant effort to ensure Commission and Department staff are aware of supply-related issues. GMG had prepared notification to the Commission of this supply-related issue but, through miscommunication, pulled the notification once firm supply was assured for customers at a reduced cost. GMG apologizes for this mistake.

All individuals identified on the attached service list have been electronically served with the same.

Thank you for your assistance. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or concerns or if you require additional information. My direct dial number is (507) 665-8657 and my email address is kanderson@greatermngas.com.

Sincerely,

GREATER MINNESOTA GAS, INC.

/s/ Kristine A. Anderson Corporate Attorney

Enclosure

cc: Service List

# Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc. Contract Demand Entitlement Filing Demand Profile

2012 - 2013 Heating Season	Quantity
3	(Dth)
TF-7 (Summer - Apr Oct.)	300
TF 12 (Nov Oct.)	210
TFX-7 (Oct Apr.))	665
TFX-5 (Nov Mar.)	4,244
Viking Zone 1	
TFX-5 (Nov Mar.)	90
Delivery Contract	
Capacity Release - Non-recallable	-
SMS	1,300
Heating Season Total Capacity	5,209
Non-Heating Season Total Capacity	510
Total Entitlement @ Peak	5,209
Total Annual Transportation	-
Total Season Transportation	5,209
Total Percent Summer Vs. Winter	9.8%
Total Percent Seasonal	100.0%

2013 - 2014 Heating Season (revised)	Quantity
3	(Dth)
TF-7 (Summer - Apr Oct.)	-
TF 12 (Nov Oct.)	210
TFX-7 (Oct Apr.))	665
TFX-5 (Nov Mar.)	6,324
Viking Zone 1	2,000
TFX-5 (Nov Mar.)	90
Viking Forward Haul/Emerson	1,300
Delivery Contract	950
Capacity Release - Non-recallable	-
SMS	1,300
Heating Season Total Capacity	9,539
Non-Heating Season Total Capacity	210
Total Entitlement @ Peak	9,539
Total Annual Transportation	-
Total Season Transportation	9,539
Total Percent Summer Vs. Winter	2.2%
Total Percent Seasonal	100.0%

	2014 - 2015 Heating Season	Quantity	Oct. 2014 Change
		(Dth)	in Quantity (Dth)
	TF-7 (Summer - Apr Oct.)	-	-
	TF 12 (Nov Oct.)	210	-
	TFX-7 (Oct Apr.))	665	-
	TFX-5 (Nov Mar.)	6,324	-
(2)	Viking Zone 1	2,000	-
	TFX-5 (Nov Mar.)	90	-
(3)	Viking Forward Haul/Emerson	1,400	(1,400)
(4)	Delivery Contract	950	-
(5)	TFX-1 (Purchased Oct. 2014)	1,000	1,000
	SMS	2,000	700
	Heating Season Total Capacity	9,639	100
	Non-Heating Season Total Capacity	210	=
	Total Entitlement @ Peak	9,639	100
	Total Annual Transportation	=	=
	Total Season Transportation	9,639	100
	Total Percent Summer Vs. Winter	2.2%	
	Total Percent Seasonal	100.0%	

## Notes:

# 3/1,400 Dth disrupted in October, 2014 due to Viking force majeur.

5/ 1,000 Dth of TFX purchased for month of October, 2014 only to replace capacity loss to Viking's force majeur. Does not affect peak day entitlement.

<sup>1/</sup> Only items in bold affect capacity entitlement level.

<sup>2/</sup> Transport only. Does not increase peak day entitlement.

<sup>4/</sup> Company has contract for supply delivered to TBS. No demand charges are applicable, but the 950 dekatherms is available on peak day.

Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc.
Northern Natural Gas Contract Summary
Contract Entitlement Changes as of November 1, 2014
Contract Entitlements 2013-14

	Contract No.	Service Type	Rate Schedule	Months	Entitlement (Dth)	Expiration Date
	102985	Firm Throughput	TFX - 5	Nov-Mar	3,000	3/31/2017
	102985	Firm Throughput	TFX - 5	Nov-Mar	500	3/31/2018
	102985	Firm Throughput	TFX - 5	Nov-Mar	500	3/31/2014
	102985	Firm Throughput	TFX - 5	Nov-Mar	2,100	3/31/2014
	102985	Firm Throughput	TF - 12	Nov-Mar	244	3/31/2015
	121534	Firm Throughput	TFX - 7	Oct-Apr	665	10/31/2015
	120579	Firm Throughput	TF - 12	Oct-Sep	181	9/30/2017
	120579	Firm Throughput	TF - 12	Oct-Sep	29	9/30/2017
	120579	Firm Throughput	TF - 5	Nov-Mar	90	9/30/2017
	127955	Firm Throughput	TF - 11	Oct 2014 only		
	BP Contract	Contracted Delivery		Nov-Sep	950	4/30/2015
	Viking Emerson	Forward Haul	TF-5	Dec-Mar	1,300	3/31/2014
			2013-14 Heating S	eason Total Capacity	9,559	
			2013-14 Design Da		8,065	
			Reserve Margin		1,494	18.5%
Proposed Contra	nct Entitlement Chan	ges for 2014-15				
Start Date	Contract No.	Service Type	Rate Schedule	Months	Entitlement (Dth)	Expiration Date
	Viking Emerson	Forward Haul	TF-5	Dec-Mar	(1,300)	3/31/2014
	Viking Emerson	Forward Haul	TF-5	Nov-Oct	1,400	10/31/2018
			2014-15 Hoating S	eason Total Capacity	9,659	
			2014-15 Design Da		8,969	
			Reserve Margin	ly Demand	690	7.7%
Proposed Chang	e in Contract Deman	d Costs				
		Volume		Monthly	Total Annual	
Contract No.	Rate Schedule	Dth / Day	No. of Months	Demand Rates	Cost	
Viking Emerson	TF-5	(1,300)	4	\$ 3.7671	\$ (19,588.92)	
Viking Emerson	TF-5	1,400	12	\$ 3.3978	\$ 57,083.04	
					\$ 37,494.12	

# Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc. Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) Calculation

#### IV. Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc.'s -- Current Cost of Gas Effective

#### October 1, 2014

				, .			Rate/CCF	
All Customer Sales Rate Classes		MCF	x Months	x Tariff Rate	Equals	Firm	Ag Interr	Gen Interr
	Viking Zone 1	2,000	12	\$3.3978	81,547	\$0.009947		
	Viking Zone 1	1,300	4	\$3.7671	19,589	\$0.002390		
	TFX - 5	6,344	5	\$15.1530	480,653	\$0.058632		
	TF - 12	210	5	\$10.2300	10,742	\$0.001310		
	TF - 12	210	7	\$5.6830	8,354	\$0.001019		
	TF - 5	90	5	\$15.1530	6,819	\$0.000832		
	TFX - 7	665	5	\$15.1530	50,384	\$0.006146		
	TFX - 7	665	2	\$5.6830	7,558	\$0.000922		
	TFX	1,000	1	\$5.6830	5,683	\$0.000693		
					0	\$0.000000		
	Current Demand C	ost of Gas			\$671,329	\$0.081891	\$0.000000	\$0.000000
	Current Commodity	Cost of Gas/CCF		% of Total 85%	\$3,799,423	\$0.419150	\$0.419150	\$0.419150
	Total Cost of Gas/0	CCF			\$4,470,752	\$0.501041	\$0.419150	\$0.419150

## Summary of Cost All Customer Sales Rate Classes (/CCF)

1) Base Rate
2) Prior PGA
3) Current Adj
4) PGA Billed (2+3)
5) Average Cost of Gas

		Firm Sales				Agricultural Interruptible			General Interruptible			
	Total	Total			Total	Total			Total	Total		
	Demand	Commodity	True-up	Total	Demand	Commodity	True-up	Total	Demand	Commodity	True-up	Total
Γ	\$0.082929	\$0.588013	\$0.000000	\$0.670942	\$0.000000	\$0.588013	\$0.000000	\$0.588013	\$0.000000	\$0.588013	\$0.000000	\$0.588013
	(\$0.001731)	(\$0.158923)	\$0.003640	(\$0.157014)	\$0.000000	(\$0.158923)	(\$0.009730)	(\$0.168653)	\$0.000000	(\$0.158923)	(\$0.003190)	(\$0.162113)
	\$0.000693	(\$0.009940)	\$0.000000	(\$0.009247)	\$0.000000	(\$0.009940)	\$0.000000	(\$0.009940)	\$0.000000	(\$0.009940)	\$0.000000	(\$0.009940)
	(\$0.001038)	(\$0.168863)	\$0.003640	(\$0.166261)	\$0.000000	(\$0.168863)	(\$0.009730)	(\$0.178593)	\$0.000000	(\$0.168863)	(\$0.003190)	(\$0.172053)
	\$0.081891	\$0.419150	\$0.003640	\$0.504681	\$0.000000	\$0.419150	(\$0.009730)	\$0.409420	\$0.000000	\$0.419150	(\$0.003190)	\$0.415960

	Prior Cumulative Adjustments	Demand & Commodity Change Filed Herein	True-up Adjustment Factor Change Eff. September 1, 2014 (G022/AA-14)	Current PGA Adjustment
All Firm Sales Rate Classes (/CCF) Ag Inter. Sales Rate Classes (/CCF) Gen. Inter. Sales Rate Classes (/CCF)	(\$0.160654)	(\$0.009247)	\$0.003640	(\$0.166261)
	(\$0.158923)	(\$0.009940)	(\$0.009730)	(\$0.178593)
	(\$0.158923)	(\$0.009940)	(\$0.003190)	(\$0.172053)

Rate/CCF

#### Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc. Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) Calculation

#### IV. Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc.'s -- Current Cost of Gas Effective

#### October 1, 2014

All Customer Sales Rate Classes	
	Viking Zone 1
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	TFX - 5

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	MCF	x Months	x Tariff Rate	Equals	Firm	Ag Interr	Gen Interr
Viking Zone 1	2,000	12	\$3.3978	81,547	\$0.009947		
Viking Zone 1	1,300	4	\$3.7671	19,589	\$0.002390		
TFX - 5	6,344	5	\$15.1530	480,653	\$0.058632		
TF - 12	210	5	\$10.2300	10,742	\$0.001310		
TF - 12	210	7	\$5.6830	8,354	\$0.001019		
TF - 5	90	5	\$15.1530	6,819	\$0.000832		
TFX - 7	665	5	\$15.1530	50,384	\$0.006146		
TFX - 7	665	2	\$5.6830	7,558	\$0.000922		
TFX (Removed)	0	1	\$5.6830	0	\$0.000000		
				0	\$0.000000		
Current Demand Co	st of Gas			\$665,646	\$0.081198	\$0.000000	\$0.000000
Current Commodity	Cost of Gas/CCF		% of Total 85%	\$3,806,067	\$0.419883	\$0.419883	\$0.419883
Total Cost of Gas/Co	CF			\$4,471,713	\$0.501081	\$0.419883	\$0.419883

#### Summary of Cost All Customer Sales Rate Classes (/CCF)

Base Rate
 Prior PGA
 Current Adj
 PGA Billed (2+3)
 Average Cost of Gas

Firm Sales Agricultural Interruptible General Interruptible Total Total Total Total Total Total Demand Commodity True-up Total Demand Commodity True-up Total Demand Commodity True-up Total \$0.082929 \$0.588013 \$0.000000 \$0.670942 \$0.000000 \$0.588013 \$0.000000 \$0.588013 \$0.000000 \$0.588013 \$0.000000 \$0.588013 (\$0.001731) (\$0.158923) \$0.003640 (\$0.157014) \$0.000000 (\$0.158923) (\$0.009730) (\$0.168653) \$0.000000 (\$0.158923) (\$0.003190) (\$0.162113) \$0.000000 (\$0.009207)\$0.000000 (\$0.009207)\$0.000000 (\$0.009207) \$0.000000 (\$0.009207) \$0.000000 (\$0.009207) \$0.000000 (\$0.009207) (\$0.001731) (\$0.168130) (\$0.168130) \$0.003640 (\$0.166221 \$0.000000 (\$0.009730) (\$0.177860) \$0.000000 (\$0,168130) (\$0.003190) (\$0.171320 \$0.081198 \$0.419883 \$0.003640 \$0.504721 \$0.000000 \$0,419883 (\$0.009730) \$0.410153 \$0.000000 \$0.419883 (\$0.003190) \$0,416693 \$0.415960 \$0.504681 \$0.409420 \$0.081891 \$0.419150 \$0.003640 \$0.000000 \$0.419150 -\$0.009730 \$0.000000 \$0.419150 -\$0.003190

Average Cost of Gas as Actually Filed Including TFX

Prior Cumulative Change Filed Adjustments Herein (G022/AA-14-\_\_) Adjustment

All Firm Sales Rate Classes (/CCF) Ag Inter. Sales Rate Classes (/CCF) Gen. Inter. Sales Rate Classes (/CCF) (\$0.160654) (\$0.009207) \$0.003640 (\$0.166221) (\$0.158923) (\$0.009207) (\$0.009730) (\$0.171860) (\$0.158923) (\$0.009207) (\$0.003190) (\$0.171320)

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Kristine Anderson, hereby certify that I have this day served a true and correct copy of the following document to all persons at the addresses indicated on the attached list by electronic filing, electronic mail, or by depositing the same enveloped with postage paid in the United States Mail at Le Sueur, Minnesota:

Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc.'s Contract Demand Entitlement Supplemental Information Docket No. G022/M-14-651

filed this 28th day of January, 2015.

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