DEFAULT SERVICE

Default Transportation Service is a temporary surrogate for provision of gas to a customer that would otherwise be provided by a marketer. Default service allows customers who leave their current marketer to continue transporting until such time that they enter into a contract with a new marketer.

Section 6, Schedule C of the Company's tariff (RIPUC NG Gas No. 101) provides that Default Transportation Service is available to any commercial or Industrial customer account classified as Large or Extra Large that subscribes to FT-1 Transportation Service and that does not have pipeline capacity assignment from the Company. Customers electing this service must provide written notice to the Company via mail, FAX or E-mail that their marketer will no longer be delivering gas on their behalf and that they wish to avail themselves of the service. Such service will continue in effect until either service is established with a new marketer through the execution of a new Transportation Application or service is terminated.

This service provides for a continuous supply of gas of not less than 1,000 Btu per cubic foot, and is provided on a best efforts basis with as little as 24 hours advance notice. Where notification is at least 24 hours in advance but less than three business days before the start of a calendar month, the service provided will be Short-Notice Default Transportation Service. Where notice is provided at least three business days prior to the start of a calendar month, the service provided will be Advance-Notice Default Transportation Service.

Pricing for each type of Default Transportation Services is available from the Company from a Price Sheet that is also filed with the Commission.