

March 10, 2011

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Room B-20, North Office Building Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Re: National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation Docket No. L-2008-2069115; Supplement No.115 to Tariff Gas Pa. P.U.C. No. 9

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Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed, for filing, is one (1) copy of substitute Supplement No. 115 to National Fuel Gas Distribution's Tariff Gas - Pa. P.U.C. No. 9. Please substitute the originally filed Supplement No. 115 with the attached Supplement No. 115 which changes the effective date from February 1, 2011 until April 1, 2011.

In addition, upon discussions with Annunciata Marino (FUS), Pages No. 34 and 34A of Supplement No. 115 have been revised to address FUS comments and are being substituted to the original filing.

This filing is being electronically filed.

Please direct any questions concerning this filing to the undersigned at (716) 857-7805 or Tom Clark at (716) 857-7008.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric H. Meinl General Manager, Rates And Regulatory Affairs

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I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing document upon the participants listed below in the manner indicated, in accordance with the requirements of §1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

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# NATIONAL FUEL GAS DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION BUFFALO, NEW YORK

# RATES, RULES AND REGULATIONS

# **GOVERNING THE FURNISHING**

# OF

## NATURAL GAS SERVICE

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A. M. CELLINO, PRESIDENT BUFFALO, NEW YORK

This Supplement Changes Existing Rules See Page 2 LIST OF CHANGES MADE BY THIS TARIFF

#### CHANGE:

- Natural gas replaces the words SATS and MMNGS suppliers under Docket No. L-2008-2069115 published January 1, 2011. Pages 32, 34, and 34A.
- A reference to the applicable rate schedules of other credit criteria for Natural Gas Suppliers.
  Pages 34 and 34A
- The Supplier Qualification Criteria section changes for 52 Pa. Code Chapter 62.
  Pages 118G and 137.

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#### 27. FINANCIAL FITNESS REQUIREMENTS FOR NATURAL GAS SUPPLIERS

Dun & Bradstreet reports will be utilized as the primary source of credit information to determine the creditworthiness of Natural Gas Supplier applicants for service. The following Dun & Bradstreet standards will be (C) used: a credit risk rating of 1 through 5 and "uncoded", noted on the report (the continuum range is 1 to uncoded). The values for these rating are:

"1" assets, liabilities and payment history indicate little or no risk to creditors.

"2" assets, liabilities and payment history indicate some risk to creditors.

"3" assets, liabilities and payment history indicate a moderate risk to creditors.

"4" assets, liabilities and payment history indicate a greater than moderate risk to creditors.

"5" assets, liabilities and payment history indicate a severe risk to creditors.

"Uncoded" indicates that there is insufficient historical credit data available to make a reliable credit assessment of the applicant (such as the applicant being in business less than 14 months, change of ownership, etc.)

Upon receipt of the properly completed Credit Application, the company will obtain various Dun & Bradstreet reports for initial review and assessment. The reports will include, but not be limited to: Payment Analysis Report, Business Information Report, Comprehensive Report and Credit Score

Changes indicating that a credit review may be necessary include, but are not limited to: (1) significant changes in Dun & Bradstreet credit reports; (2) credit related information obtained from reliable sources; (3) a change in the number of end-users; (4) a change from the established payment history; as well as any other information received regarding the financial standing of the Supplier or Aggregator. Security deposits will be refunded to the Supplier or Aggregator when it is determined that the Supplier or Aggregator meets the level of creditworthiness criteria that no longer requires a security deposit.

Determination of Security Deposits:

The amount of a security deposit will be determined under the following formula:

(1) For Natural Gas Suppliers during the winter period

a. Using historical data, for (1) transportation service shall be the sum of the two highest months of consumption in the last twelve months. This volume will be multiplied by 60 and divided by the actual amount of billing days, and (2) the commodity volumes shall be determined by taking the highest consumption between November 1 through March 31. This volume will be multiplied by 10 and divided by the actual number of billing days. The consumption for each customer anticipated to be served by the applicant Natural Gas Supplier will be multiplied by (3) the applicable transportation rate; and (4) the corresponding cost of gas.

b. The "corresponding cost of gas" shall be the Natural Gas Supply Charge.

Monthly reviews will be provided, based upon any changes which may affect the Company's risk exposure.

Other credit criteria for Natural Gas Suppliers is located in Rate Schedules Monthly Metered Natural Gas Supplier Service and Small Aggregation Transportation Supplier Service Section I. Supplier Qualification Criteria. (C)

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(2) For Natural Gas Suppliers during the summer period

a. Using historical data, for (1) transportation service shall be the sum of the two highest months of consumption in the last twelve months. This volume will be multiplied by 60 and divided by the actual amount of billing days, and (2) the commodity volumes shall be determined by taking the highest consumption between April 1 through October 31. This volume will be multiplied by 10 and divided by the actual number of billing days. The consumption for each customer anticipated to be served by the applicant Natural Gas Supplier will be multiplied by (3) the applicable transportation rate; and (4) the corresponding cost of gas.

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#### RATE SCHEDULE MMNGS

MONTHLY METERED NATURAL GAS SUPPLIER SERVICE (Cont.)

H. Termination of Service for Failure to Deliver Daily Quantity

1. The Company shall have the right to terminate service under this rate schedule to any Supplier that fails for any three (3) days to deliver at least ninety-five (95) percent of the applicable ADDQ for the Supplier's MMNGS Pool, measured during a single thirty day period ("Terminated Supplier") or one day of zero delivery. The terminated Supplier, at the Company's option, may be prohibited from receiving service under this rate schedule for 6 months if the MMT Customer does not take service from another qualified MMNGS Supplier. Such Terminated Supplier's MMT Customers will be served by the Company pursuant to the terms of the Standby Rate Schedule.

2. Supplier's MMT customers may be notified by the Company as to the impending transfer to Company service, together with a statement that the transfer is the result of the Supplier's failure to perform as required. The Company shall recover the cost of such notice from the Supplier by drawing down the Supplier's security deposit or other security instrument.

I. Supplier Qualification Criteria

1. Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code Chapter 62, Company may request and adjust security from Supplier and service under this Rate Schedule is contingent upon the MMNGS Supplier meeting and maintaining the creditworthiness standards.

Applicants for service hereunder will be required to complete a Credit Application for evaluation by the Company based on the criteria set forth in this tariff. The results of the creditworthiness checks performed by the Company will be communicated to the applicant within two weeks of the Company's receipt of the properly completed application.

2. The MMNGS Supplier's application shall include a description of the MMNGS Supplier's operational capability for meeting the requirements of its MMT Pool. The Company shall then make a determination as to whether this capability is sufficient.

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#### RATE SCHEDULE SATS

SMALL AGGREGATION TRANSPORTATION SUPPLIER SERVICE (Cont.)

a. Upon notice by the Company to the Terminated Supplier, the Company at its option may recall the capacity that it has released to the Terminated Supplier; and or require release of the Supplier's capacity as provided under section C.4.

b. Inventory remaining in storage shall be sold to the Company at a price equal to the Company's lowest monthly weighted average commodity cost experienced over the last twelve months.

c. The Terminated Supplier shall be responsible for any and all fees and taxes associated with moving or transferring the storage inventory to the Company.

d. Any failure to comply with the provisions under Sections H.l.a., H.l.b., H.l.c., and C.4. will result in the permanent ineligibility to receive service under this Rate Schedule.

e. Supplier's SATC customers may be notified by the Company as to the impending transfer to Company service, together with a statement that the transfer is the result of the Supplier's failure to perform as required. The Company shall recover the cost of such notice from the Supplier by either, (1) adjusting the inventory sales price described in Section H.1.b., or (2) drawing down the Supplier's security deposit (or other security instrument.

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2. The SATS Supplier's application shall include a description of the SATS Supplier's operational capability for meeting the requirement of its SATC Customer Group. The company shall then make a determination as to whether this capability is sufficient.

3. SATS Suppliers shall also describe in the application the means by which they will handle marketing and billing for 50 or more customers. Alternatively, SATS Suppliers may identify a third party, including the Company, in the case of the NGS' use of POR billing, and describe how such party will handle such tasks. Suppliers or their third party representative included in the Company's Purchase of Receivable Program must abide by the Company's Marketing Standards. The Company shall then make a determination as to whether this capacity is sufficient.

Suppliers serving customers with annual consumption less than 1,000 Mcf/year participating in the Company's POR program will be required to use the Company's Utility Consolidated Billing System and enter into the Billing Services Agreement. (C) Indicates Change

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# **RED LINED VERSION**

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Determination of Security Deposits:

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