Northern Illinois Gas Company d/b/a Nicor Gas Company

Ill.C.C. No. 16 - Gas 17th Revised Sheet No. 10 (Canceling 16th Revised Sheet No. 10, Effective December 1, 2023)

Rate 1 Residential Service

Availability.

This rate is available to any single-family residential Customer using the Company's gas service primarily for residential purposes.

* Charges shall be the sum of (a), (b) and (c).

- (a) <u>Monthly Customer Charge</u> \$19.48 per month.
- (b) <u>Distribution Charge</u>
 21.34¢ per therm for all therms supplied to the Customer in the month.
- (c) <u>Gas Supply Cost</u>
 The Gas Cost (GC) per therm supplied in the month as determined in accordance with the Company's Rider 6, Gas Supply Cost.

Term of Service.

The Customer's term of service shall commence when the Company begins to supply service hereunder. Customer shall provide at least 10 days notice to discontinue service.

Combination Residence and Business.

Gas will be supplied hereunder for the entire requirements of a combined residence and business, if the preponderant requirement is for residential purposes.

General.

The Schedule of which this rate is part includes certain general Terms and Conditions and Riders. Service hereunder is subject to these Terms and Conditions and the Riders which are listed as applicable to this rate.

* Low Income Discount Credit (LIDC).

For bill periods ending on or after October 1, 2024 the Company shall apply a Low-Income Discount Credit (LIDC) to eligible Residential Low-Income Qualified Customers.

The LIDC shall be calculated by applying a discount to the total bill including all delivery service charges, supply charges, rider surcharges, and taxes associated with those charges under the applicable tier based on the household income of the Low-Income Qualified Customers (LIQC). The LIDC does not apply to any prior balances.

The LIDC shall be presented as a separate line item on customer bills as the "Low-Income Discount Credit".

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Low Income Qualified Customer ("LIQC") shall mean a residential customer who has an income at or below 300% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) and/or qualifies for Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program ("LIHEAP") or Percentage of Income Payment Plan ("PIPP") benefits under Section 6 of the Energy Assistance Act of 1989 (EAA) [305 ILCS 20/6]. Tier 1 through Tier 4 eligibility will be determined by the LIHEAP Administrator. Tier 5 eligibility may be determined by the LIHEAP Administrator or can be self-certified by the Customer. Tier 5 can be self-certified by the Customer to the Company via the application provided on the Company's web page, fax, phone, or by mail. Qualification is effective for purposes of this definition when the LIHEAP administrator notifies the Company of the Customer's low-income status for any tier or the Company receives the self-certification from the Customer for Tier 5 and the application is processed. Qualifications established for all tiers shall remain effective for purpose of this definition until the end of the following LIHEAP Program Year. Recertification of the program is required prior to the program end date to continue receiving the discount.

LIHEAP Program Year shall mean the annual period as defined by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

The tiers and the discounts to be applied to the total bill for the LIDC are shown below:

Tier	Eligibility Limit for Tiers	Discounted Amount
Tier 1	0 to 50% of Federal Poverty Level	75%
Tier 2	>50% to 100% of Federal Poverty Level	55%
Tier 3	> 100 to 150% of the Federal Poverty Level	25%
Tier 4	>150% to 200% of the Federal Poverty Level	10%
Tier 5	Up to 300% of the Federal Poverty Level	5%

The Company, through a third-party administrator, shall periodically, but at least every 12 months, verify through sampling of 5% of the LIQCs enrolled for Tier 5 discounts up to a maximum of 200 customers, that Tier 5 customers meet income thresholds necessary to receive a Tier 5 discount credit. Customer eligibility should be verified based upon examination of income tax returns, pay stubs, examination of proof of participation in another state or federal program that demonstrates income, or any other means that provides documented proof of the customer's income. Such sampling is for information purposes only and customers should not be removed from eligibility for a discount based upon failure to provide proof of eligibility.