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- (3) Vacant Premises Continued
 - (b) Customer Eligibility in Vacant Premises Continued

In determining the 25 percent growth requirement for an eligible dual-fuel Customer, the historical monthly usage level will be the higher of:

- (i) the gas usage billed in the comparable monthly billing period of the preceding year; or
- (ii) 1/365 of the Customer's annual allocation on record with the Company prior to the Customer's application for service, multiplied by the number of days (approximately 30 days) in the comparable monthly billing period of the preceding year.
- (4) Right to Refuse Service:

The Company shall not accept applicants for service under this Rider where the area in which service is sought can no longer support additional gas service without impairing the adequacy of service to existing Customers. In addition, the Company reserves the right to refuse applicants for service under this Rider if it determines that excessive capital expenditures, including the cost of all facilities necessary to render the service requested, will be required to serve the premises in which the Customer is located. Such determination is subject to Public Service Commission review upon request by the applicant. An applicant may qualify for service by making a non-refundable payment or other contribution toward the capital costs incurred by the Company to supply service to the applicant.

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