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GENERAL INFORMATION - Continued

VI. Service Classification Riders (Available on Request) - Continued

RIDER E - Continued

Area Development Rate - Continued

(A) Applicability - Continued

(2)   New and Existing Customers - Continued

(b)   Existing Customers:

An existing Customer may apply for service under this Rider if such Customer materially increases its gas usage, provided such material increase is a result of the addition of gas fired equipment for space heating or process use, or expansion of the Customer's facility or operations. The Customer shall notify the Company in writing of such material increase in its use of gas service. Following such notification, the Company will review the monthly billable gas usage for such Customer. If for the next three consecutive months or any three consecutive months in the twelve months preceding application, each month's gas usage exceeds the gas usage in the comparable monthly period of the preceding year by at least 25 percent, the Customer will be eligible to receive service under this Rider following approval of the application. The Company will establish a twelve-month base usage for each qualifying Customer based upon the gas usage, by month, billed during the twelve-month period immediately preceding the Customer's application for service. For dual-fuel Customers, each month's base usage will be the higher of:

(i)   the gas usage billed in the comparable monthly billing period during the twelve-month period immediately preceding the Customer's application for service; or

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