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## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## PART II RULES AND REGULATIONS

## 1. <u>DEFINITIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS</u>

**Imbalance:** The difference between the quantity of gas delivered to a Customer's facilities and the quantity of gas received by the Company for the Customer over a corresponding period, as adjusted. A positive imbalance occurs when the quantity received exceeds the quantity delivered. A negative imbalance occurs when the quantity delivered exceeds the quantity received.

**Imbalance Trading:** The transfer or gas delivered to the Company from one Pool Operator to another Pool Operator.

**Involuntary Switch:** A process or situation where a Customer is switched to another provider without the Customer's authorization.

**Late Payment:** Any payment made more than 20 calendar days after the date payment was due. Payment is due as specified by the Company on its bill, provided such date does not occur before personal service of the bill or three calendar days after the mailing of the bill.

**Load:** The amount of gas consumed. An ESCO's Load is the total volume of gas consumed by the ESCO itself and all of its Customers, if any.

Load Factor: The ratio of the average consumption to maximum consumption for a given time period.

**Losses:** The loss of gas, resulting from its transportation over the Distribution System, between the Distribution Point(s) of Receipt and the Distribution Point(s) of Delivery.

**Lost and Unaccounted for Gas:** The difference between the quantity of gas available from all sources (purchased, transported, and locally produced) and the quantity accounted for by sales, deliveries or Company use.

**Main:** A pipeline located on a public or private right-of-way generally available or used to transport gas to more than one service line.

**Mandatory Release Capacity Customer**(s): A Non Daily Metered Aggregation Customer or any Daily Metered Critical Care Customer (also known as "Human Needs Customer") without an alternate fuel.

Marketer: An Energy Services Company ("ESCO").

**Month:** A period beginning at 9:00 AM Central Clock Time on the first Day of the calendar Month and ending at 9:00 AM Central Clock Time on the first Day of the following calendar Month.

**Multiple Occupancy Building:** A structure (including row houses) enclosed within exterior walls or fire walls, which is built, erected and framed of component structural parts and is designed to contain four or more individual dwelling units for permanent residential occupancy.

**New Customer:** A customer who was not the last previous customer at the premises to be served, regardless of whether such customer previously was or is still a customer of the Company at a different location.

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