



SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

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Ms. Crystal Jackson, Secretary
Public Utilities Commission of Nevada
Capitol Plaza
1150 East William Street
Carson City, NV 89701-3109

Subject: Southwest Gas Corporation
Docket Nos. 07-11003 and 07-11029

Dear Ms. Jackson:

At the February 14, 2008 Prehearing Conference in the above referenced dockets, Southwest Gas Corporation (Southwest), the Regulatory Operations Staff and members of the public discussed various revisions to the tariff sheets filed in Advice Letter No. 435. Southwest stated it was agreeable to the revisions, and the assigned Commissioner directed Southwest to file the revisions as an amendment to Advice Letter No. 435.

Southwest Gas Corporation herewith submits amended tariff sheets associated with its Advice Letter No. 435. These tariff sheets replace the tariff sheets filed in Advice Letter No. 435 on November 21, 2007 in their entirety.

Also enclosed is one copy of the Amended Draft Notice Application, pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code, Section 703.162.

Very truly yours,

Roger C. Montgomery

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Enclosures



SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

Advice Letter No. 435

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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

Southwest Gas Corporation (Southwest) tenders herewith amended tariff sheets applicable to its Nevada Gas Tariff No. 6:

Proposed P.U.C.N. Sheet No.

Supersedes P.U.C.N. Sheet No.

6th Revised Sheet No. 3
5th Revised Sheet No. 4
5th Revised Sheet No. 20
4th Revised Sheet No. 48
2nd Revised Sheet No. 49
1st Revised Sheet No. 50
1st Revised Sheet No. 51
1st Revised Sheet No. 52-59
4th Revised Sheet No. 110
2nd Revised Sheet No. 111
Original Sheet No. 111A
Original Sheet No. 111B

5th Revised Sheet No. 3
4th Revised Sheet No. 4
4th Revised Sheet No. 20
3rd Revised Sheet No. 48
1st Revised Sheet No. 49
Original Sheet No. 50
Original Sheet No. 51
Original Sheet No. 52-59
3rd Revised Sheet No. 110
1st Revised Sheet No. 111

The purpose of this filing is to establish the criteria for a customer-requested service discontinuance or facilities disconnection of street and outdoor natural gas lighting from Southwest's distribution system. Southwest's customers are afforded three options: (1) Discontinuance of street and outdoor lighting gas service at no cost; (2) Permanent disconnection of street and outdoor lighting gas service at a cost of \$60.00 per device; and (3) Removal, relocation or abandonment of street and outdoor lighting facilities at the actual cost.

This filing is made in accordance with the Nevada Administrative Code, NAC Chapter 703, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Respectfully submitted,

SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

By Roger C. Montgomery
Roger C. Montgomery

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Attachments

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**STATEMENT OF RATES
OTHER SERVICE CHARGES**

Description	Service Supplied Under Schedules	
	SG-1 through SG-90	NG-10 through NG-90
<u>Service Establishment Charge</u> ^{1/}		
Normal Service	\$25.00	\$25.00
Expedited Service	40.00	40.00
<u>Customer-Requested Meter Tests</u>		
First Test	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Subsequent Tests ^{2/}	7.50	7.50
<u>Returned Item Charge</u>		
Per Item	\$10.00	\$10.00
<u>Transaction Fees</u>		
Credit Card Payments ^{3/}	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.50
Paystation Payments ^{4/}	1.00	1.00
<u>Street and Outdoor Lighting Permanent Disconnection Fee</u> ^{5/}		
Per Device	\$60.00	\$60.00

- ^{1/} Subject to adjustment for any taxes or governmental impositions.
- ^{2/} For customers whose annual usage exceeds 180,000 therms per year, the Utility may, at its sole discretion, charge the customer for any costs actually incurred by the Utility in performing the meter test.
- ^{3/} A transaction fee is assessed and paid directly to the third-party vendor for transactions processed using a credit (including debit) card for amounts up to \$300.00. An additional transaction fee is assessed for each multiple of \$300.00
- ^{4/} A transaction fee is assessed and paid directly to the third-party vendor for payment processed at a Paystation location.
- ^{5/} Applicable to lighting devices permanently disconnected from Utility's distribution system, Schedule Nos. SG-33 and NG-30 only.

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SCHEDULE NO. SG-33

STREET AND OUTDOOR LIGHTING GAS SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to gas service for continuous street or outdoor lighting in lighting devices approved by the Utility. Service under this schedule is conditional upon arrangements mutually satisfactory to the customer and the Utility for connection of customer's lighting devices to Utility's facilities. This schedule is closed to applications for new service connection to the Utility distribution system or for service reconnection where the lighting device has previously been physically disconnected from the Utility's distribution system.

TERRITORY

Throughout the certificated area of the Utility's Southern Nevada Division, except as may hereafter be provided.

RATES

The charge per month is the product of the therms per month per mantle and the commodity charge as set forth in the currently effective Statement of Rates, Sheet No. 14 of this Nevada Gas Tariff.

LATE CHARGE

The monthly bill is due and payable as of the date of presentation. Included in the bill will be a late charge of 5 percent on the first \$200 of the monthly bill, plus 2 percent of any balance above \$200, which will be imposed if payment is not received by the next month's billing.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. At its sole option, the Utility may reduce the maximum rated capacity to reflect use of automatic dimmer devices or adjustment of the lamps to operate at less than the maximum rated capacity.
2. All piping upstream of the customer's meter for connection of lighting devices to the Utility's facilities must be installed by the Utility and shall be owned, operated and maintained by the Utility.

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SCHEDULE NO. SG-33

STREET AND OUTDOOR LIGHTING GAS SERVICE
(Continued)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued)

3. Discontinuance of street and outdoor lighting gas service: Upon receipt of a request for a discontinuance of service to street or outdoor lighting devices, the Utility shall discontinue service to the customer's lighting device(s) pursuant to Rule No. 6A of this Nevada Gas Tariff. The Utility will reinitiate service to the lighting device(s) if requested by subsequent application. At the request of the customer, the Utility will provide a document of conveyance of title and ownership of the concrete support base assembly and associated appurtenances, excluding the valve and riser. Such facilities shall be conveyed in the as-is, where-is condition, with all faults and free of any express or implied warranties. The Utility shall not be liable for any claims arising from or connected with such facilities. If the customer wishes to convert to an alternate lighting source such as solar, low voltage or 110v electric, the customer must provide advance notice to the Utility.
4. Permanent disconnection of street and outdoor lighting gas service: At the request of the customer and payment of the charge as set forth in the Statement of Rates – Other Service Charges in this Nevada Gas Tariff, the Utility shall permanently disconnect the lighting device from the Utility's distribution system and abandon such facilities in place. The following conditions will apply.
 - a. The customer is responsible for any applicable permits.
 - b. The customer must comply with all applicable regulations including, but not limited to, requesting all operators of subsurface installations to locate and mark their subsurface installations that are installed in the vicinity of each excavation.
 - c. The customer must excavate the gas line connecting the lighting device to the Utility distribution system with hand tools at the point specified by the Utility.
 - d. The customer is responsible for ensuring that all appropriate safety measures are employed when the excavation is unattended.

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SCHEDULE NO. SG-33

STREET AND OUTDOOR LIGHTING GAS SERVICE
(Continued)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued)

- e. The Utility will cut and cap the gas line and install sand or other non-injurious embedment in the excavation to cover the gas line.
- f. The customer is responsible for backfilling and compacting the excavation area after the gas line has been cut and capped.
- g. The customer is responsible for any landscape restoration, concrete or asphalt repairs and removal of excess material.
- h. Title and ownership of the Utility's facilities abandoned in place will be conveyed to the customer upon the permanent physical disconnection of the lighting device from the Utility's distribution system. All such facilities are conveyed in the as-is, where-is condition, with all faults and free of any express or implied warranties. The Utility shall not be liable for any claims arising from or connected with such facilities.

After a lighting device has been permanently disconnected from the distribution system, it cannot be reconnected at a later date.

- 5. Customer requested relocation, removal or abandonment of street and outdoor lighting facilities: The Utility will, at the customer's request, relocate, remove or abandon in place gas lighting devices and related facilities. Such relocation, removal or abandonment shall be performed by the Utility at the expense of the customer. The Utility will furnish a written estimate to the customer for all work to be completed and the customer shall pay the full amount of the estimate to the Utility before the work is started. At the conclusion of the relocation, removal or abandonment, the Utility shall refund any overestimated amount, or bill the customer for any underestimated amount.

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SCHEDULE NO. SG-33

STREET AND OUTDOOR LIGHTING GAS SERVICE
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BASE TARIFF ENERGY RATE (BTER) AND DEFERRED ENERGY ACCOUNT
ADJUSTMENT (DEAA)

The rates specified for this schedule are subject to increases or decreases in the cost of purchased gas in accordance with those provisions set forth in Chapter 704 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC).

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Except as qualified in this schedule, all of the General Terms and Conditions are applicable to this schedule and are hereby made a part hereof.

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SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION
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Las Vegas, Nevada 89193-8510
Nevada Gas Tariff No. 6

Canceling 1st Revised P.U.C.N. Sheet No. 52-59
Original P.U.C.N. Sheet No. 52-59

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SCHEDULE NO. NG-30

STREET AND OUTDOOR LIGHTING GAS SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to gas service for continuous street or outdoor lighting in lighting devices approved by the Utility. Service under this schedule is conditional upon arrangements mutually satisfactory to the customer and the Utility for connection of customer's lighting devices to Utility's facilities. This schedule is closed to applications for new service connection to the Utility distribution system or for service reconnection where the lighting device has previously been physically disconnected from the Utility's distribution system.

TERRITORY

Throughout the certificated area of the Utility's Northern Nevada Division, except as may hereafter be provided.

RATES

The charge per month is the product of the therms per month per mantle and the commodity charge as set forth in the currently effective Statement of Rates, Sheet No. 18 of this Nevada Gas Tariff.

LATE CHARGE

The monthly bill is due and payable as of the date of presentation. Included in the bill will be a late charge of 5 percent on the first \$200 of the monthly bill, plus 2 percent of any balance above \$200, which will be imposed if payment is not received by the next month's billing.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

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SCHEDULE NO. NG-30

STREET AND OUTDOOR LIGHTING GAS SERVICE
(Continued)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued)

2. All piping upstream of the customer's meter for connection of lighting devices to the Utility's facilities must be installed by the Utility and shall be owned, operated and maintained by the Utility.
3. Discontinuance of street and outdoor lighting gas service: Upon receipt of a request for a discontinuance of service to street or outdoor lighting devices, the Utility shall discontinue service to the customer's lighting device(s) pursuant to Rule No. 6A of this Nevada Gas Tariff. The Utility will reinstate service to the lighting device(s) if requested by subsequent application. At the request of the customer, the Utility will provide a document of conveyance of title and ownership of the concrete support base assembly and associated appurtenances, excluding the valve and riser. Such facilities shall be conveyed in the as-is, where-is condition, with all faults and free of any express or implied warranties. The Utility shall not be liable for any claims arising from or connected with such facilities. If the customer wishes to convert to an alternate lighting source such as solar, low voltage or 110v electric, the customer must provide advance notice to the Utility.
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STREET AND OUTDOOR LIGHTING GAS SERVICE
(Continued)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued)

- d. The customer is responsible for ensuring that all appropriate safety measures are employed when the excavation is unattended.
- e. The Utility will cut and cap the gas line and install sand or other non-injurious embedment in the excavation to cover the gas line.
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SCHEDULE NO. NG-30

STREET AND OUTDOOR LIGHTING GAS SERVICE
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SPECIAL CONDITIONS (Continued)

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Amended Draft Notice Application for Applications, Petitions and Complaints

The Commission requires a draft notice be included with all applications, petitions and complaints. See Nevada Administrative Code 703.162. Please include one copy of this form with all the above filings.

- I. **Include a title that describes the relief requested, or proceeding scheduled pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC") 703.160 (5)(a.)**

Advice Letter No. 435 requesting approval to establish the criteria for a customer-requested removal or relocation of unmetered gas lighting from Southwest's distribution system.

- II. **Include the name of the applicant, complainant, petitioner, or the name of the agent for same pursuant to NAC 703.160 (5)(b).**

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- III. **Include a paragraph with a brief description of the purpose of the filing or proceeding with an introductory statement in plain English understandable to a person of average knowledge and intelligence, that summarizes the relief requested or proceeding scheduled, AND its impact upon consumers, pursuant to NAC 704.160 (5)(c).**

Southwest is requesting approval to establish the criteria for a customer-requested service discontinuance or facilities disconnection of street and outdoor natural gas lighting from Southwest's distribution system. Southwest's customers are afforded three options: (1) Discontinuance of street and outdoor lighting gas service at no cost; (2) Permanent disconnection of street and outdoor lighting gas service at a cost of \$60.00 per device; and (3) Removal or relocation of street and outdoor lighting facilities at the actual cost. These tariff revisions also set forth the conditions that must be met both before and after Southwest disconnects the service line from the lighting device.

- IV. **A declaration by the applicant, petitioner, or complainant whether a consumer session is required by Nevada Revised Statute ("NRS") 704.069 (1). NAC 703.162 (2)¹**

¹ NRS 704.069 Commission required to conduct consumer session for certain rate cases; Commission required to conduct general consumer session annually in certain counties.

1. The Commission shall conduct a consumer session to solicit comments from the public in any matter pending before the Commission pursuant to NRS 704.061 to 704.110, inclusive, in which:

(a) A public utility has filed a general rate application, an application to recover the increased cost of purchased fuel, purchased power, or natural gas purchased for resale or an application to clear its deferred accounts; and

(b) The changes proposed in the application will result in an increase in annual gross operating revenue, as certified by the applicant, in an amount that will exceed \$50,000 or 10 percent of the applicant's annual gross operating revenue, whichever is less.

2. In addition to the case-specific consumer sessions required by subsection 1, the Commission shall, during each calendar year, conduct at least one general consumer session in the county with the largest population in this

A consumer session for this filing is not required.

- V. **If the draft notice pertains to a tariff filing, please include the tariff number and the sections or schedule number(s) being revised.**

Southwest is requesting approval to modify the following in its Nevada Gas Tariff No. 6: (1) Table of Contents, Sheet Nos. 3 and 4; (2) Statement of Rates, Other Service Charges, Sheet No. 20; (3) Schedule No. SG-33, Street and Outdoor Lighting Gas Service, Sheet Nos. 48 through 52-59; and (4) NG-30, Street and Outdoor Lighting Gas Service, Sheet Nos. 110 and 111.

state and at least one general consumer session in the county with the second largest population in this state. At each general consumer session, the Commission shall solicit comments from the public on issues concerning public utilities. Not later than 60 days after each general consumer session, the Commission shall submit the record from the general consumer session to the Legislative Commission.