

# STATE OF NEVADA

### PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

HAYLEY WILLIAMSON Chair

> C.J. MANTHE Commissioner

TAMMY CORDOVA Commissioner

STEPHANIE MULLEN Executive Director

December 8, 2021

Southwest Gas Corporation P.O. Box 98510 Las Vegas, NV 89193-8510

RE: Docket No.: 21-09026 Application of Southwest Gas Corporation, filed under Advice Letter No. 526, to revise Tariff No. 7 to update the Annual Charge Adjustment rate.

To Whom It May Concern:

The Regulatory Operations Staff has reviewed and processed the tariff sheet as filed in the above referenced docket. Enclosed is a copy of the tariff sheet which have been accepted for filing by the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada, effective November 30, 2021.

Sincerely,

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Debbie Merritt Administrative Assistant III

Enclosure(s)

cc: PUC Master File

| Nevada Gas Tariff No. 7      | Canceling | 24th Revised | P.U.C.N. Sheet No. | 11A        |
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| Las Vegas, Nevada 89193-8510 | •         |              | P.U.C.N. Sheet No. | <u>11A</u> |
| P.O. Box 98510               |           |              |                    |            |
| SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION    | l         |              |                    |            |

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| Component/Schedule                            | SG-RS     | SG-RM    | SG-RAC   | SG-G1    | SG-G2    | SG-G3    | SG-G4    | SG-G5    |
|---|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Margin  | .39285    | .43168   | .09659   | .36862   | .09948   | .09860   | .01918   | .00527   |
| Accumulated Deferred Interest Rate Adjustment | ( .00072) | (.00072) | (.00072) | (.00072) | (.00072) | (.00072) | (.00072) | (.00072) |
| General Revenues Adjustment                   | (.02959)  | (.00965) | .00000   | (.01093) | .00428   | .00371   | .00000   | .00000   |
| Gas Infrastructure Replacement Rate           | .00057    | .00057   | .00057   | .00057   | .00057   | .00057   | .00057   | .00057   |
| Conservation and Energy Efficiency            | .00237    | .00237   | .00237   | .00237   | .00237   | .00237   | .00237   | .00237   |
| Total   | .36548    | .42425   | .09881   | .35991   | .10598   | .10453   | .02140   | .00749   |
|   | 1         | 00.07    |          |          | 60.50    |          |          |          |
| Component/Schedule                            | SG-G6     | SG-G7    | SG-AC    | SG-WP    | SG-EG    | SG-CNG   | SG-L     |          |
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| Total   | .01248    | .02060   | .11558   | .05993   | .00692   | .15526   | .48594   |          |

4/ For all rate schedules, the Base Tariff Energy Rate (BTER) includes \$0.00404 per therm for the Unrecovered Gas Cost Expense Base Rate.

5/ The total monthly demand charge for Schedule Nos. SG-4, SG-5, SG-6, and SG-7 is equal to the unit rate shown multiplied by the customer's billing determinant.

- 6/ The charges for Schedule No. SG-CNG are subject to adjustments for applicable state and federal taxes on fuel used in motor vehicles.
- 1 In addition to all other rates in this Statement of Rates, all customers in the Mesquite Expansion Area will pay a rate of \$0.11560 per therm as part of their Infrastructure Expansion Rate.

| Issued:<br>September 22, 2021 |   |  |
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| Effective:<br>October 1, 2021 | lssued by<br>Amy L. Timperley<br>Vice President | Filing Accepted<br>Effective<br>NOV 3 0 2021 |
| Advice Letter No.:<br>526     |   | Public Utilities Commission<br>of Nevada     |

# **BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA**

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Application of Southwest Gas Corporation, filed under Advice Letter No. 526, to revise Tariff No. 7 to update the Annual Charge Adjustment rate.

Docket No. 21-09026

At a general session of the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada, held at its offices on November 30, 2021.

PRESENT: Chair Hayley Williamson Commissioner C.J. Manthe Commissioner Tammy Cordova Business Process Analyst II Sabrena Cusick

### ORDER

The Public Utilities Commission of Nevada ("Commission") makes the following

findings and conclusions:

### I. INTRODUCTION

Southwest Gas Corporation ("SWG") filed with the Commission an application under Advice Letter No. 526, designated as Docket No. 21-09026 ("Application"), to revise Tariff No. 7 to update the Annual Charge Adjustment rate.

### II. SUMMARY

The Commission grants the Application and approves the revised tariff.

### III. PROCEDURAL HISTORY

• On September 23, 2021, SWG filed the Application pursuant to the Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") and the Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC") Chapters 703 and 704, including, but not limited to, NRS 704.100 and NAC 703.400.

• On September 27, 2021, the Commission issued a Notice of Application to Revise Tariff.

• On November 19, 2021, the Regulatory Operations Staff ("Staff") of the Commission filed a briefing memorandum ("Staff's Briefing Memorandum"). Staff participates as a matter of right pursuant to NRS 703.301.

• On November 30, 2021, the Commission voted to adopt the recommendations contained in Staff's Briefing Memorandum.

# **IV. APPLICATION**

# SWG's Request

SWG seeks to revise Tariff No. 7 to update the Annual Charge Adjustment rate.
(Application at 1-2.)

# **Staff's Position**

 Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order granting the Application of SWG and approving the revised tariff, effective November 30, 2021. (Staff's Briefing Memorandum at 2.)

# **Commission Discussion and Findings**

3. The Commission adopts the analysis and recommendations found in Staff's Briefing Memorandum. Accordingly, the Commission: (1) finds that SWG's Application satisfies the requirements of NRS 704.100 and NAC 703.400; (2) grants the Application; and (3) approves the revised tariff, effective November 30, 2021.

# THEREFORE, it is ORDERED:

1. Southwest Gas Corporation's Application filed under Advice Letter No. 526, designated as Docket No. 21-09026, is granted.

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2. The revisions to Southwest Gas Corporation's Tariff No. 7 are approved, effective

November 30, 2021.

By the Commission,

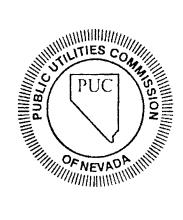
MAC TRISHA OSBORNE,

Assistant Commission Secretary on behalf of the Commissioners

Dated: Carson City, Nevada

12/10/21

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Original Filing Public Utilities Commission of Nevada Electronic Filing Submitted: 9/22/2021 5:28:08 PM Fee Submitted: \$10.00 Echeck Transaction ID :6323567820556666403229 Reference: de55187c-9aed-4c1b-9be9-3518b8634681 Reference: Filed For: Southwest Gas Corporation In accordance with NRS Chapter 719, this filing has been electronically signed and filed by: /s Tashia Garry

By electronically filing the document(s), the filer attests to the authenticity of the electronic signature(s) contained therein.

This filing has been electronically filed and deemed to be signed by an authorized agent or representative of the signer(s) and Southwest Gas Corporation



September 22, 2021

Ms. Trisha Osborne Assistant Commission Secretary Public Utilities Commission of Nevada 1150 East William Street Carson City, NV 89701-3109

Dear Ms. Osborne:

Southwest Gas Corporation herewith submits for filing Advice Letter No. 526 to reflect the change in the Annual Charge Adjustment (ACA) rate, effective October 1, 2021. This change will not result in an increase in the annual gross operating revenue in an amount that exceeds \$15,000 and, therefore, is being filed through an advice letter pursuant to NAC 703.400(3).

An electronic payment in the amount of \$10.00 has been included with this submission for the required filing fee.

Communications regarding this Advice Letter should be directed to:

Christopher M. Brown Director/Regulation & Energy Efficiency Southwest Gas Corporation P.O. Box 98510 Las Vegas, NV 89193-8510 Telephone: 702-876-7133 E-mail: <u>christopher.brown@swgas.com</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Tashia Garry

Legal Assistant/Regulation & Litigation

Enclosures

c: Ernest Figueroa, BCP Anne-Marie Cuneo, PUCN



Advice Letter No. 526

September 22, 2021

# PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

Southwest Gas Corporation tenders herewith for filing the following tariff sheets applicable to its Nevada Gas Tariff No. 7:

Proposed PUCN Sheet No. 25th Revised Sheet No. 11A Supersedes PUCN Sheet No. 24th Revised Sheet No. 11A

The purpose of this filing is to update the Company's tariff to reflect the change in the Annual Charge Adjustment (ACA) rate, effective October 1, 2021.

In Southern Nevada, the ACA will increase from \$0.00011 per therm to \$0.00012 per therm. The ACA is applicable to the Company's Southern Nevada transportation customers' scheduled quantities that flow through Southwest Gas Transmission Company.

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

Respectfully submitted, SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

By

Christopher M. Brown

#### Canceling \_\_\_\_\_\_25th Revised P.U.C.N. Sheet No. \_\_\_\_\_11A Canceling \_\_\_\_\_24th Revised P.U.C.N. Sheet No. \_\_\_\_\_11A

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#### PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA DRAFT NOTICE (Applications, Tariff Filings, Complaints, and Petitions)

Pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC") 703.162, the Commission requires that a draft notice be included with all applications, tariff filings, complaints and petitions. Please complete and include **ONE COPY** of this form with your filing. (Completion of this form may require the use of more than one page.)

A title that generally describes the relief requested (see NAC 703.160(5)(a)):

# In the Matter of the Application of Southwest Gas Corporation for Authority to modify its tariff to reflect the updated Annual Charge Adjustment (ACA).

The name of the applicant, complainant, petitioner or the name of the agent for the applicant, complainant or petitioner (see NAC 703.160(5)(b)):

#### Southwest Gas Corporation.

A brief description of the purpose of the filing or proceeding, including, without limitation, a clear and concise introductory statement that summarizes the relief requested or the type of proceeding scheduled <u>AND</u> the effect of the relief or proceeding upon consumers (see NAC 703.160(5)(c)):

Southwest Gas requests to update its tariff to change the referenced ACA from \$0.00011 per therm to \$0.00012 per therm, pursuant to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's published ACA effective October 1, 2021. This rate is applicable to the Company's southern Nevada transportation customers' scheduled quantities that flow through Southwest Gas Transmission Company.

A statement indicating whether a consumer session is required to be held pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute ("NRS") 704.069(1)<sup>1</sup>:

#### Consumer sessions are not required.

If the draft notice pertains to a tariff filing, please include the tariff number <u>AND</u> the section number(s) or schedule number(s) being revised.

#### Nevada Gas Tariff No. 7, PUCN Sheet 11A

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> NRS 704.069 states in pertinent part:

<sup>1.</sup> Except as otherwise provided in subsections 9 and 11 of NRS 704.110, 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:

<sup>(</sup>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, an annual deferred energy accounting adjustment application pursuant to NRS 704.187 or an annual rate adjustment application; and

<sup>(</sup>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.

#### CERTIFICATION Application For Tariff Approval Filed Under An Advice Letter Public Utilities Commission of Nevada 1150 E. William Street Carson City, NV 89701-3109 Ph: (775) 684-6101 / Fax: (775) 684-6110 PUCN Ph: (702) 486-7210 / Fax: (702) 486-7206

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| Chris | topher Brown                         | , hereby certifies as follows:                 |  |
| 01113 |                                      | , hereby certilles as follows.                 |  |
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| 1.    | l am an authorized representative of | of Southwest Gas Corporation                   |  |
|       | ·                                    | (utility name)                                 |  |
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| 2.    |                                      | ttest that to the best of my knowledge, inforn |  |
|       | reasonable inquiry, the proposed c   | hange in schedule does not change any rate     | e or result in an increase in the annual |
|       | gross operating revenue of           | Southwest Gas Corporation                      | in an amount that exceeds                |
|       | \$15,000.                            | (utility name)                                 |  |

I certify that the foregoing statements are true.

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Date

Signature

HRISTOPHER BROWN

Printed Name