NEW ULM PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION SCHEDULE OF STEAM RATES

GENERAL RATE PROVISIONS

Service is provided in accordance with Public Utilities Commission Regulations. In addition, the following terms and conditions apply:

Adherence to Building Codes and Rules

All piping, fittings, valves and other devices shall be installed in accordance with American National Steam Institute **B31.1** Power Piping Code. All new piping installed at service pressures in excess of 15 psig shall be installed by licensed contractors. The PUC reserves the right to inspect piping and equipment prior to providing service.

Condensate Return

All condensate shall be returned to the PUC. The customer shall provide equipment such as collection tanks, pumps, and electrical power as required to return condensate to the system under sufficient pressure to return it to the City steam plant. All condensate not returned shall be billed at the Condensate Rate.

<u>M lbs</u> defined as 1,000 pounds.

Resale

Service shall not be taken under the rate schedules for the purpose of resale. The PUC reserves the right to refuse service to customers not in compliance with this provision.

Minnesota Sales and Use Tax

The current Minnesota Sales and Use Tax applicable to nonexempt service rendered shall be added to the monthly bills calculated under these rate schedules.

Classification of Customers

Unless otherwise provided, customer classification definitions shall be same as those for Electrical Service.

Fuel Cost Adjustment

The fuel cost adjustment shall be calculated monthly based on the cost of power plant gas fuel for the month.

RESIDENTIAL RATE

Available to all residential customers.

Rate All steam used per month	\$13.32 per M lb
Customer charge per month	\$6.00

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SMALL COMMERCIAL RATE

Available to all commercial customers.

<u>Rate</u>

All steam used per month \$13.10 per M lb

Customer charge per month.....\$6.00

LARGE COMMERCIAL RATE

Available to all commercial customers with at least 600 M lbs annual consumption during the immediately preceding calendar year.

<u>Rate</u>

All steam used per month \$12.94 per M lb

Customer charge per month.....\$10.00

INDUSTRIAL RATE

Available to all commercial customers with at least 12,000 M lbs annual consumption during the immediately preceding calendar year **or** monthly steam consumption during the months of May through September that averages at least 50% of the average monthly steam consumption during the remaining seven months of the immediately preceding calendar year.

Rate

Customer charge per month.....\$15.00

MUNICIPAL-PUC RATE

Available to any municipal or PUC facility.

Rate

All steam used per month \$12.66 per M lb

Customer charge per month.....\$6.00

LOST CONDENSATE RATE

Charge for all condensate not returned to the PUC.

Rate\$0.896 per M lb

INTERRUPTIBLE RATE

Available to any customer with operable steam or hot water generating equipment sized to carry the customer's peak load and operation prior to May 1, 1995. Customer must be willing to be interrupted at any time with no more than two hours notice at the request of the PUC. Discounts as approved by the PUC are available from the appropriate full service energy rates listed above. If extensions of steam mains are required to provide service, the PUC may require customers to sign long term contracts for service. Contract terms are subject to economic analysis and PUC approval. Customer and lost condensate charges are as indicated for each full service rate and are not discounted.

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