

SYSTEM BENEFITS CHARGE
SCHEDULE SBC

A System Benefits Charge (“SBC”) shall be billed by the Company to all customers taking Delivery Service from the Company. The purpose of the SBC is to recover the cost of 1) the statewide low income electric assistance program (“LI-EAP”) provided by the Company, 2) the Company’s energy efficiency programs, and 3) lost revenue related to the energy efficiency programs in accordance with this tariff.

The portion of the SBC covering the LI-EAP shall include all approved costs associated with the development and administration of the LI-EAP. These costs include program discounts, approved implementation and administrative costs, costs associated with the LI-EAP billed to the Company by third parties, and amortization of arrearages retired under the LI-EAP.

The low income electric assistance plan portion of the System Benefits Charge shall be set at \$0.00150 per kilowatt-hour effective July 1, 2011 and shall remain in effect unless a different charge is approved by the Commission. The Company shall collect the low-income portion of the SBC, apply the program discounts to participant bills and deduct any authorized costs. Any remaining balance shall be submitted to the State Treasurer’s Office. In the event that a shortfall exists, the Company shall submit a request for reimbursement.

The portion of the SBC covering energy efficiency program costs shall include program costs and, through December 31, 2021, performance incentives. The energy efficiency portion of the SBC shall be established annually based on a forecast of includable costs, set so as not to exceed the following levels: 2021- \$0.00528/kWh; 2022 - \$0.00373/kWh; and 2023 - \$0.00275/kWh. Any prior period over-recovery shall be returned to customers via a bill credit by March 31 of the following year. A report shall also be submitted to the Commission by March 31 documenting any carryforward. The Company may file to change the rate at any time should significant over- or under-recoveries occur or be expected to occur.

The third portion of the SBC shall include lost revenue related to energy efficiency programs pursuant to Order No. 25,932 in Docket DE 15-137, Energy Efficiency Resource Standard and Order No. 26,553 in Docket DE 20-092, 2021-2023 Triennial Energy Efficiency Plan. The lost revenue portion of the SBC shall be established annually based on a forecast of lost revenue, and shall also include a full reconciliation with interest for any over- or under-recovery from the prior year. The Company may file to change the rate at any time should significant over- or under-recoveries occur or be expected to occur.

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Interest hereunder shall be calculated based on the prime rate, with said prime rate to be fixed on a quarterly basis and to be established as reported in the Wall Street Journal on the first business day of the month preceding the calendar quarter; if more than one rate is reported the average of the reported rates shall be used.

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V. LOCAL DELIVERY ADJUSTMENT CHARGE

Applicability	EE V.3.	LR V3A	ERC V.4.	ITM V.5.	GAPRA V.7.	RCE V.9.	RPC V.10.
Residential Non-Heating	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Residential Heating	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Small C&I	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Medium C&I	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Large C&I	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
No Previous Sales Service	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Notes:

- 1 N/A - Not applicable
- 2 X - Applicable to all
- 3 Specific EEC and LR Rates for Residential Heating and Non-Heating
- 4 Specific EEC and LR Rates for All C&I classes

3. Energy Efficiency Program Costs Allowable for LDAC

3.1 Purpose

The purpose of this provision is to establish a procedure that allows Northern, subject to the jurisdiction of the NHPUC, to adjust on an annual basis, the Energy Efficiency Charge applicable to firm gas Sales and firm Delivery Services throughput in order to recover from firm ratepayers Energy Efficiency program costs and, through December 31, 2021, performance incentives.

3.2 Applicability

An Energy Efficiency Charge ("EEC") shall be applied to firm Sales and firm Delivery Services throughput of the Company as determined in accordance with the provisions of Part V, Section 3 of this clause. Such EEC shall be determined annually by the Company, separately for each Rate Category defined below, subject to review and approval by the NHPUC as provided for in this clause.

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For purposes of applying the respective EEC each "Rate Category" shall be as follows:

Residential	Rates R-5, R-6, R-10,
Commercial/Industrial (including multi-family)	Rates G-40, G-50, G-41, G-42, G-51, G-52

Special contract customers are exempt from the EEC.

3.3 Reporting

The Company shall submit monthly and annual reports by Rate Category to the Commission reconciling any difference between the actual Energy Efficiency costs and actual revenues collected under this rate schedule. Any negative difference shall be returned to ratepayers via a bill credit by March 31 of the following year. A report shall also be submitted to the Commission by March 31 documenting any carryforward. Annual reports shall be filed with the Commission at least 45 days prior to the effective date of the next subsequent twelve-month period.

3.4 Effective Date of EEC

Forty-five ("45") days prior to November 1 of each year, the Company will file with the NHPUC for its consideration and approval, the Company's request for a change in the EEC applicable to each Rate Category during the next subsequent twelve-month period commencing with the calendar month of November.

3.5 Calculation of the EEC

The EEC for each Rate Category will be derived by dividing the projected annual EE costs, including performance incentives through December 31, 2021, by forecast firm annual throughput. EEC program costs will be set so as not to exceed the following levels:

Rate Class	December 1, 2021	November 1, 2022
Residential	\$0.0476/therm	\$0.0475/therm
Commercial & Industrial	\$0.0326/therm	\$0.0258/therm

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3.6 Reconciliation Adjustments

Account 173 shall contain the accumulated difference between EEC revenues collected and actual Energy Efficiency program costs and performance incentives through December 31, 2021, plus carrying charges calculated on the average monthly balance and then added or credited to the end-of-month balance. Interest shall be calculated based on the prime rate, with said prime rate to be fixed on a quarterly basis and to be established as reported in the Wall Street Journal on the first business day of the

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month preceding the calendar quarter; if more than one rate is reported the average of the reported rates shall be used.

3.7 Application of EEC Rate to Bills

The EEC Rate (\$ per therm) shall be calculated to the nearest one one-hundredth of a cent per therm and will be applied to the monthly firm sales volumes and transportation throughput.

3.8 Information to be Filed with the NHPUC

An annual EEC filing will be required forty-five (45) days prior to the effective date of November 1, containing the calculation of the new annual EEC to become effective November 1. The calculation will reflect the forecast of EEC annual costs, the updated annual EEC reconciliation balance and throughput forecast for the upcoming period. Monthly and annual reconciliation reports will be filed in accordance with Section 3.3 above.

4. **Lost Revenue Allowable for LDAC**

4.1 Purpose

The purpose of this provision is to establish a procedure that allows Northern, subject to the jurisdiction of the NHPUC, to adjust on an annual basis, the Lost Revenue Rate applicable to firm gas Sales and firm Delivery Services throughput in order to recover from firm ratepayers lost revenue related to Energy Efficiency programs, pursuant to Order No. 25,932 in Docket DE 15-137, Energy Efficiency Resource Standard and Order No. 26,533 in Docket 20-092, 2021-2023 Triennial Energy Efficiency Plan.

4.2 Applicability

Effective January 1, 2017, a Lost Revenue Rate ("LRR") shall be applied to firm Sales and firm Delivery Services throughput of the Company as determined in accordance with the provisions of Part V, Section 4 of this clause. Such LRR shall be determined annually by the Company, separately for each Rate Category defined below, subject to review and approval by the NHPUC as provided for in this clause.

For purposes of applying the respective LRR each "Rate Category" shall be as follows:

Residential	Rates R-5, R-6, R-10
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Residential Non-Heating	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Residential Heating	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Small C&I	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Medium C&I	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Large C&I	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
No Previous Sales Service	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Notes:

- 1 N/A - Not applicable
- 2 X - Applicable to all
- 3 Specific EEC and LR Rates for Residential Heating and Non-Heating
- 4 Specific EEC and LR Rates for All C&I classes

3. Energy Efficiency Program Costs Allowable for LDAC

3.1 Purpose

The purpose of this provision is to establish a procedure that allows Northern, subject to the jurisdiction of the NHPUC, to adjust on an annual basis, the Energy Efficiency Charge applicable to firm gas Sales and firm Delivery Services throughput in order to recover from firm ratepayers Energy Efficiency program costs and ~~through December 31, 2021, performance incentives through December 31, 2021. Performance incentives are discontinued beginning January 1, 2022.~~

3.2 Applicability

An Energy Efficiency Charge ("EEC") shall be applied to firm Sales and firm Delivery Services throughput of the Company as determined in accordance with the provisions of Part V, Section 3 of this clause. Such EEC shall be determined annually by the Company, separately for each Rate Category defined below, subject to review and approval by the NHPUC as provided for in this clause.

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Commercial/Industrial (including multi-family)	Rates G-40, G-50, G-41, G-42, G-51, G-52

Special contract customers are exempt from the EEC.

3.3 Reporting

The Company shall submit monthly and annual reports by Rate Category to the Commission reconciling any difference between the actual Energy Efficiency costs and actual revenues collected under this rate schedule. ~~The difference, whether positive or negative, will be carried forward, with interest, into the EEC for the next recovery period. Any positive difference will be borne by the Company's shareholders. Any negative difference shall be returned to ratepayers via a bill credit by March 31 of the following year. A report shall also be submitted to the Commission by March 31 documenting any carryforward.~~ Annual reports shall be filed with the Commission at least 45 days prior to the effective date of the next subsequent twelve-month period.

3.4 Effective Date of EEC

Forty-five ("45") days prior to November 1 of each year, the Company will file with the NHPUC for its consideration and approval, the Company's request for a change in the EEC applicable to each Rate Category during the next subsequent twelve-month period commencing with the calendar month of November.

3.5 Calculation of the EEC

The EEC for each Rate Category will be derived by dividing the projected annual EE costs, including performance incentives ~~through December 31, 2021, plus the reconciliation balance,~~ by forecast firm annual throughput. ~~The reconciliation balance shall reflect both actual and projected data, as necessary, through October of the prior rate period. EEC program costs will be set so as not to exceed the following levels:~~

<u>Rate Class</u>	<u>December 1, 2021</u>	<u>November 1, 2022</u>
<u>Residential</u>	<u>\$0.0476/therm</u>	<u>\$0.0475/therm</u>
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3.6 **Reconciliation Adjustments**

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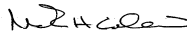
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