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Company Name: MidAmerican Energy Company      Subject: Monthly Metered Transportation Service

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Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

The accompanying gas tariff sheets issued by MidAmerican Energy Company ("MidAmerican") are transmitted to you for filing.

MidAmerican Energy Company  
Section No. III-A

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MidAmerican is proposing revisions to the terms and conditions of capacity release related to the Monthly Metered Transportation Service (MMT). These revisions are to reflect in its tariff the operating restrictions imposed by Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) rules on capacity release transactions. Revisions proposed are intended to memorialize:

- The requirements associated with the capacity
- The Pool Operator's responsibilities associated with use of the capacity
- The consequences resulting from non-compliance with regulatory requirements

FERC regulates releases of firm interstate pipeline capacity pursuant to 18 CFR §284.8. In general, capacity releases must follow bidding requirements. However, there are several exemptions from this requirement, including an exemption for pre-arranged releases to marketers participating in state-approved retail access program. In order to qualify for this exemption from bidding, the capacity release must be used by the replacement shipper to

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provide the gas supply requirement of retail customers pursuant to a retail access program approved by the state agency with jurisdiction over the local distribution company that provides delivery service to such retail customers. Pursuant to this exemption, MidAmerican is able to release non-biddable capacity at MidAmerican's discounted rates to Pool Operators for the limited purpose of meeting the gas supply requirement of MMT customers. The exemption is only for the limited purpose of MMT customer gas supply requirements – it would not apply to a re-release made by the Pool Operator or another marketer participating in the retail access program. Attachment A is 18 CFR § 284.8 with the applicable terms underlined.

Should it be desired that the capacity be released and used for purposes other than a state-regulated retail access program, MidAmerican would need to post the capacity for all interested parties to bid on and the capacity would be awarded accordingly. Failure to adhere to these capacity release requirements could result in fines or other enforcement action by FERC.

The proposed revisions to the tariff seek to memorialize the existing obligations of Pool Operators under FERC requirements regarding released capacity. MidAmerican will look to Pool Operators to be responsible to FERC to comply with these requirements in their use of said capacity. In addition, the proposed revisions clarify that any Pool Operator that does not adhere to the regulatory and/or legal requirements associated with transporting gas will not be eligible to operate in MidAmerican's service territory.

It is MidAmerican's intent that the proposed revisions memorialize existing FERC requirements associated with capacity release transactions and do not impose any operating changes for the Pool Operator.

Any questions pertaining to this tariff filing may be directed to Melanie Acord at (563) 333-8047.

Sincerely,

/s/

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CAPACITY RELEASE:

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MidAmerican will release primary interstate pipeline capacity for the Customer being served. Capacity will be released and priced at MidAmerican's cost and under the terms and conditions of MidAmerican's applicable contracts. Any applicable surcharges and fuel charges will be paid by the Pool Operator acquiring the capacity. The acquiring Pool Operator will be required to meet the creditworthiness criteria of MidAmerican and the applicable interstate pipeline.

The transportation capacity shall be used by the Pool Operator solely for service to the Monthly Metered Transportation Customers and Pool Operator may not release said capacity to another party. The Pool Operator will not be permitted to realign interstate pipeline receipt points or delivery points associated with the released capacity. The Customer must notify MidAmerican of any changes that will affect the volume of capacity required or the interstate pipeline delivery point. In the event primary interstate pipeline delivery point capacity is not available, the Customer will not be able to take service under this tariff.

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The Pool Operator will be responsible for any incremental interstate pipeline transportation charges that may occur if any receipt and/or delivery point restrictions under MidAmerican's contracts with the interstate pipeline are violated. Applicable receipt and delivery point restriction(s) will be noted on the capacity release postings.

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CAPACITY RELEASE (Cont.):

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The Pool Operator will be responsible for proper use of the released capacity under the requirements of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and any other regulatory bodies having jurisdiction. The Pool Operator shall be solely responsible to the regulatory body for any fines, levies, or other actions resulting from the use of the released capacity by the Pool Operator.

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The Company reserves the right to recall the capacity at any time when there is a change in the Customer's status, including but not limited to:

1. switching service, to Sales Service or Gas Transportation,
2. changing Pool Operators,
3. changing location or volumes affecting capacity released, or
4. temporary or permanent closure of the Customer's facilities.

SWITCHING:

After the Customer has satisfied the requirements outlined in "Minimum Terms" section of this tariff, the Customer may switch to another service under MidAmerican's tariffs. The Customer will be subject to the applicable fees, charges and other terms and conditions of the new service and shall be required to pay a switching fee of \$21 per Customer Meter.

A Customer may change Pool Operators effective with the Customer's May billing cycle by submitting the change on MidAmerican's web enrollment application, sixty (60) days before the switch shall be effective. A switching fee of \$21 per Customer Meter will be applied.



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Pool Operators must comply with any Commission certification requirements and applicable laws and regulations, including but not limited to requirements of the FERC, in order to provide competitive natural gas services to South Dakota retail end users.

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Pool Operators must be authorized by the Company and execute a contract with the Company. Pool Operator violation of applicable laws, regulations, mandates, or other requirements imposed by regulatory bodies will result in termination of the contract by the Company. Eligible Pool Operators will be posted on the Company's Electronic Bulletin Board.

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NOMINATIONS:

MidAmerican will utilize historical billing information to model each Customer's load profile and calculate the Forecasted Delivery Requirement using such profile and forecasted weather. A Customer's Forecasted Delivery Requirement for a new facility will be based on the estimated usage provided by the Pool Operator at the time of enrollment and profiles of similar Customers.

The Forecasted Delivery Requirement will be aggregated by Pool. The Forecasted Delivery Requirement will normally be provided 23 hours before the gas day begins using the Company's Electronic Bulletin Board and will include Retention volumes.

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APPLICABLE POOL OPERATOR FEES AND CHARGES (Cont.):

Balancing Charges:

The Pool Operator will be charged monthly the greater of any applicable pro-rata share of pipeline penalties or the Balancing Charges listed below based on the Daily Cashout volumes.

	<u>Normal Period</u>	<u>Critical Period or Operational Flow Order Period</u>
Charge for Over Deliveries	\$0.50 per therm	\$1.00 per therm
Charge for Under Deliveries	\$0.50 per therm	*

\* The greater of \$3.00 per therm or three times the higher of Chicago city-gates, or Northern, Ventura (plus applicable transportation fees) "Midpoint" Index prices as reported in *Gas Daily* publication.

The resulting revenues will be credited to the monthly Cost of Purchased Gas Adjustment Clause.

Monthly Cashout Charges:

The Pool Operator will be charged monthly for imbalances as outlined in the "Monthly Cashout" sections of this tariff. Resulting revenues or costs will be included in the monthly Cost of Purchased Gas Adjustment Clause.

Capacity Release:

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