

9. GROUP BILLING

For the purposes of billing, a Point of Delivery in a specific service agreement may be defined as a group of physical delivery points to the same, or affiliated, LDCs in the Market Area or Argus Zone in the Field Area, including municipally owned/cooperative distribution companies, where such delivery points are located in a single Operational Zone.

For purposes of this Section 9, "Affiliated" LDCs are Local Distribution Companies, including municipalities, (1) which are divisions of the same corporation, (2) have a common parent company which owns 100% of the voting stock of the LDCs (either directly or through another wholly owned subsidiary), (3) wherein one LDC owns 100% of the voting stock of the other company(ies) (either directly or through another wholly owned subsidiary), or (4) which are organized as a gas purchasing authority or similarly-structured group, subject to Northern's reasonable approval.