

9. RATE SCHEDULE MPS – MID POOLING SERVICE

A. Availability

This Rate Schedule MPS is available to any legal entity for the pooling of natural gas within each Mileage Indicator District (MID) or group of MIDs, for subsequent firm or interruptible throughput service by Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern) under the following terms and conditions:

1. the legal entity, or Pooling Customer, has executed a MID Pooling Service Agreement (MPS Agreement) in the form contained in Northern's FERC Gas Tariff; and
2. the pooling service shall be subject to all of the terms and conditions contained in this Rate Schedule and the GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS under this Tariff.

B. Applicability and Character of Service

Subject to the provisions of this Rate Schedule MPS and the GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS of this Tariff, service rendered under a MPS Agreement shall consist of the following:

1. Each MID is an individual pooling area with each MID pooling area containing one paper pooling point which can serve as a pool for all of the receipt points located within the same MID pooling area.

Also, the receipt points in certain MIDs may be aggregated across MIDs and serve as a MID pooling area. The currently effective MID pools are set forth in 10. below. Northern may eliminate an aggregate pool effective any April 1 or November 1, after at least 2 months advance notice given in the form of a Section 4 tariff filing.

2. With the exception of Demarcation (POI 37654) located in MID 16B being a valid receipt point for the MID 17 pooling area, a Pooling Customer can only bring receipts to a pooling point from receipt points located within the same MID pooling area.
3. Each Pooling Customer shall be required to nominate in accordance with Section 28 of the GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS of this Tariff, receipts which will be delivered into each pooling point. The daily quantities which are nominated by the Pooling Customer from receipt point(s) for delivery into the pool must equal the daily quantities which are nominated away from the pool. A Pooling Customer on a daily basis will not be allowed to net receipts between various pooling points in order to balance its receipts and deliveries from a specific pooling point.
4. A Pooling Customer shall be responsible for any imbalance which occurs at the receipt point between actual allocated receipt quantities and confirmed receipt nominations. For imbalance purposes, at the end of each month, MPS imbalances at all pools may be netted with any transportation contract imbalances incurred by the Pooling Customer and any remaining imbalance will be subject to resolution pursuant to Section 32 of the GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS of this Tariff.
5. A Pooling Customer shall be responsible for any receipt point scheduling penalties which occur pursuant to Section 31 of the GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS of this Tariff.
6. While maintaining a balance of all volumes at a specific pooling point, a Pooling Customer may transfer gas to another Pooling Customer at the same pooling point through the nomination process without incurring any transportation, Fuel or UAF charges.

7. A Pooling Customer can only sell gas at a pooling point to another Pooling Customer or to a Northern transportation shipper.
8. A Pooling Customer may enter into multiple MPS Agreements.
9. Associated with each MID pooling area is a MID storage point. MID pooling service is not available to move supplies between the pooling point and the associated storage point.
10. The pooling points and associated storage points are provided for informational purposes only and are as follows:

Pooling Area/MID	Pooling Point POI	Associated Storage Point POI
1	71302	71318
2	71303	71319
3	71304	71320
4	71305	71321
5	71306	71322
6	71307	71323
7	71308	71324
1-7	78930	78933
8	71309	71325
9	71310	71326
10	71311	71327
11	71312	71328
12	71313	71329
8-12	78931	78934
13	71314	71330
14	71315	71331
15	71316	71332
16A	71317	71333
13-16A	78932	78935
16B	37654	62389
17	71458	71459
17-192*	78623	71460

* Restricted to the receipt point of POI 192 - "NBPL/NNG Ventura." For purposes of allocating this receipt point, Northern will consider as primary firm the quantity of gas nominated by Shipper up to the quantity of unused MDQ contracted as primary firm at POI 192. All other nominations on a firm agreement will be deemed alternate.

11. A pooling point may be scheduled as a primary or an alternate point for firm throughput Shippers and is also available for interruptible throughput Shippers. A MID pooling point will be considered a Primary Receipt Point for purposes of scheduling at the MID pool to the extent the Shipper holds unused primary receipt capacity at an allocated point within the same MID. In the event of an allocation, Northern will schedule the MID pooling point(s) based upon the priority of the capacity the Shipper has contracted at the specific allocated receipt point(s) upstream of the MID pooling point, in accordance with Section 29 of the GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS of this Tariff. Aggregate MID pooling points must be on a separate contract from individual MID pooling points.

12. MPS Service is not available:

- a. Between a Market Area or Field Area pooling point and its associated storage point.
- b. From a Market Area storage point to MID 17 pooling point.
- c. From a Market Area Receipt Point to the MID 17 deferred delivery point (POI 71459).
- d. Between the Ventura point (POI 192) and Ventura deferred delivery point (POI 71460).
- e. From the Ventura pooling point (POI 78623) to the NBPL/NNG Ventura point (POI 192).
- f. From the Ventura pooling point (POI 78623) to the MID 17 pooling point (POI 71458).
- g. From a Field Area storage point to a Field Area pooling point in the same MID.
- h. From a Field Area Receipt Point to a Field Area MID storage point in the same MID.

C. Offering of Service

To initiate service under this Rate Schedule MPS, a valid request must be submitted in accordance with Section 26, "Requests for Service" and Section 27, "Information Required for a Request for Service," of the GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS of this Tariff.

D. Term of MPS Agreement

The MPS Agreement must be executed by the Pooling Customer prior to commencement of service.

The term of service shall be for a mutually agreeable term and shall be set forth in the MPS Agreement. If no service is rendered under a MPS Agreement for a one (1) year period, such MPS Agreement shall be terminated by Northern, unless otherwise mutually agreed.

E. Rates and Charges

No rate will be charged to a Pooling Customer for gas nominated from a receipt point for delivery to the pooling point in the same MID under this MID Pooling Service Rate Schedule.

For purposes of rates, Fuel and UAF charges, the location of MID 1-7 shall be deemed to be in MID 4, the location of MID 8-12 shall be deemed to be in MID 10 and the location of MID 13-16A shall be deemed to be in MID 13.

F. General Terms and Conditions

The GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS of this Tariff, as may be revised from time to time, are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Rate Schedule.