

50A. SYSTEM BALANCING AGREEMENT (SBA)

Northern may enter into SBA or alternative agreements that provide for Peaking and Pack and Draft SBAs each year as needed. SBAs are agreements between a party and Northern that will provide that the SBA provider will, at Northern's direction, move gas to and from Northern's pipeline system by creating a positive or negative balance on the SBA agreement. The SBA provider may be any qualified LDC, producer, supplier or Shipper. SBA fees to fulfill the overall SBA requirements will be as agreed to between SBA providers and Northern.