

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

53A. PERIODIC RATE ADJUSTMENT (PRA) - FUEL

1. Purpose and Applicability: This Section 53 establishes a Fuel PRA mechanism for the purpose of deriving the TRANSPORTATION FUEL PERCENTAGES, the UNACCOUNTED-FOR (UAF) PERCENTAGE, the FDD STORAGE FUEL, and FDD STORAGE UNDER-RECOVERY RETAINAGE (URR) PERCENTAGE as set forth in Tariff Sheet No. 54 and Sheet Nos. 61-64, applicable to all Rate Schedules included in Northern's F.E.R.C. Gas Tariff TF, TFX, GS-T, TI and FDD respectively. The Market Area Fuel percentages will be determined seasonally. The Field Area Fuel percentages will be determined annually.
2. Definitions.
 - (a) Adjustment Amount. The true-up between actual volumes and estimated volumes.
 - (b) Annual. The consecutive months January through December.
 - (c) Fuel. Fuel consists of fuel burned and company used fuels: compressor, heater, dehydrate, actuators, un-metered, blow-down and purge.
 - (d) Injection Period. The calendar months of June through October.
 - (e) PRA Period. The twelve month period ending December 31 each year.
 - (f) PRA Settlement. Per Docket Nos. RP97-275-002 and TM97-2-59-000.
 - (g) Pre URR Balance. The accumulated under-recoveries of storage gas in the Redfield and Lyons storage fields prior to January 1, 2020.
 - (h) Post URR Balance. The net balance of under-recovered storage quantities recovered through the URR Percentage.
 - (i) Summer Season. The consecutive months April through October.
 - (j) Throughput. Throughput is the actual volumes received, inclusive of fuel and unaccounted-for, from the respective receipt points on Northern's system.
 - (k) Transportation Fuel. The transportation fuel retention percentage for each Section.
 - (l) Under-Recovery Retainage (URR). The difference between the quantity of natural gas placed into the Redfield and Lyons storage fields as compared to the amount of gas withdrawn during an annual storage cycle, as adjusted for line losses and other field surface adjustments. A negative URR rate shall only apply to the extent that the Post URR Balance is a positive amount.
 - (m) URR Adjustment. The quantity of the under/over-recovery calculated in the FDD Storage URR for the prior cycle year.
 - (n) URR Percentage. The percentage applied to FDD injections during the Injection Period.
 - (o) Winter Season. The consecutive months November through March.