

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REQUEST BY CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES TO IMPLEMENT THE MARCH 31, 2016, INTERIM RATE ADJUSTMENT FILING PURSUANT TO THE TEXAS UTILITIES CODE § 104.301.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. On March 31, 2016, CenterPoint Energy Resources filed a request for an Interim Rate Adjustment with the City that would allow CenterPoint to recover the incremental costs of the new investment it has made within its South Texas Division.

PART 2. CenterPoint originally proposed an effective date of May 30, 2016, for the Interim Rate Adjustment.

PART 3. By City Ordinance No. 20150519-034, pursuant to Section 104.301(a) of the Texas Utilities Code, the City suspended implementation of the Interim Rate Adjustment in order to review and consider the tariff and supporting documentation filed by CenterPoint.

PART 4. The City has completed its review of CenterPoint's 2016 Interim Rate Adjustment and has determined that it meets the statutory requirements of Section 104.301 of the Texas Utilities Code.

PART 5. The Interim Rate Adjustment attached hereto as Exhibit A is approved to take effect.

PART 6. This ordinance takes effect on July 4, 2016.

PASSED AND APPROVED

June 23, 2016

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APPROVED: _____
Anne L. Morgan
City Attorney

Steve Adler
Mayor

Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk

**CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP.
D/B/A CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX
AND CENTERPOINT ENERGY TEXAS GAS
SOUTH TEXAS DIVISION
RATE SHEET
RESIDENTIAL SERVICE
RATE SCHEDULE NO. R-2085-GRIP 2016**

APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE

This schedule is applicable to any customer to whom service is supplied in a single private dwelling unit and its appurtenances, the major use of which is for household appliances, and for the personal comfort and convenience of those residing therein.

Natural gas supplied hereunder is for the individual use of the customer at one point of delivery and shall not be resold or shared with others.

MONTHLY RATE

For bills rendered on and after the effective date of this rate schedule, the monthly rate for each customer receiving service under this rate schedule shall be the sum of the following:

(a) The Base Rate consisting of:

(1) Customer Charge -- \$21.21;*

(2) Commodity Charge --

For customers billed at a 14.65 Pressure Base:

All Ccf @ 14.65 \$0.2180

For customers billed at a 14.95 Pressure Base:

All Ccf @ 14.95 \$0.2225

(b) Tax Adjustment -- The Tax Adjustment will be calculated and adjusted periodically as defined in the Company's applicable Tax Adjustment Rate Schedule and applicable Franchise Fee Adjustment Rate Schedule.

(c) Gas Cost Adjustment -- The applicable Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) Rate -- as calculated on a per Ccf basis and adjusted periodically under the applicable Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) Rate Schedule -- for all gas used.

PAYMENT

Due date of the bill for service shall not be less than 15 days after issuance or such other period of time as may be provided by order of the regulatory authority. A bill for utility service is delinquent if unpaid by the due date.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Service under this schedule shall be furnished in accordance with the Company's General Rules and Regulations, as such rules may be amended from time to time. A copy of the Company's General Rules and Regulations may be obtained from Company's office located at 1111 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas.

*Customer Charge	\$13.95
2012 GRIP Charge	1.33
2013 GRIP Charge	1.61
2014 GRIP Charge	1.00
2015 GRIP Charge	2.18
2016 GRIP Charge	<u>1.14</u>
Total Customer Charge	\$21.21

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RATE SHEET
GENERAL SERVICE-SMALL
RATE SCHEDULE NO. GSS-2085-GRIP 2016**

APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE

This schedule is applicable to natural gas service to any customer engaging in any business, professional or institutional activity, for all uses of gas, including cooking, heating, refrigeration, water heating, air conditioning, and power.

This schedule is applicable to any general service customer for commercial uses and industrial uses, except standby service, whose average monthly usage for the prior calendar year is 150,000 cubic feet or less. Natural gas supplied hereunder is for the individual use of the customer at one point of delivery and shall not be resold or shared with others.

MONTHLY RATE

For bills rendered on and after the effective date of this rate schedule, the monthly rate for each customer receiving service under this rate schedule shall be the sum of the following:

(a) The Base Rate consisting of:

- (1) Customer Charge – \$34.75;*
- (2) Commodity Charge –
For customers billed at a 14.65 Pressure Base:
All Ccf @ 14.65 \$0.1046
For customers billed at a 14.95 Pressure Base:
All Ccf @ 14.95 \$0.1067

(b) Tax Adjustment – The Tax Adjustment will be calculated and adjusted periodically as defined in the Company's applicable Tax Adjustment Rate Schedule and applicable Franchise Fee Adjustment Rate Schedule.

(c) Gas Cost Adjustment – The applicable Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) Rate – as calculated on a per Ccf basis and adjusted periodically under the applicable Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) Rate Schedule – for all gas used.

PAYMENT

Due date of the bill for service shall not be less than 15 days after issuance or such other period of time as may be provided by order of the regulatory authority. A bill for utility service is delinquent if unpaid by the due date.

*Customer Charge	\$20.00
2012 GRIP Charge	2.67
2013 GRIP Charge	3.26
2014 GRIP Charge	2.03
2015 GRIP Charge	4.48
2016 GRIP Charge	<u>2.31</u>
Total Customer Charge	\$34.75

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RATE SCHEDULE NO. GSLV-616-GRIP 2016**

Exhibit A

AVAILABILITY

This schedule is available at points on existing facilities of adequate capacity and suitable pressure in the area designated in the Rate Book of CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP., D/B/A CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX AND CENTERPOINT ENERGY TEXAS GAS (hereinafter called "Company").

APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE

This schedule is applicable to any general service customer for commercial uses and industrial uses whose average monthly usage for the prior calendar year is more than 150,000 cubic feet. Gas supplied hereunder is for the individual use of the Consumer at one point of delivery and shall not be resold or shared with others. If the Consumer has a written contract with Company, the terms and provision of such contract shall be controlling.

MONTHLY RATE

For bills rendered on and after the effective date of this rate schedule, the monthly rate for each customer receiving service under this rate schedule shall be the sum of the following:

(a) The Base Rate consisting of:

- (1) Customer Charge – \$188.25;*
- (2) Commodity Charge –
All Ccf @ \$0.0412

(b) Tax Adjustment – The Tax Adjustment will be calculated and adjusted periodically as defined in the Company's applicable Tax Adjustment Rate Schedule and applicable Franchise Fee Adjustment Rate Schedule.

(c) Gas Cost Adjustment – The applicable Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) Rate – as calculated on a per Mcf basis and adjusted periodically under the applicable Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) Rate Schedule – for all gas used.

*Customer Charge	\$100.00
2012 GRIP Charge	16.34
2013 GRIP Charge	19.21
2014 GRIP Charge	12.54
2015 GRIP Charge	26.66
2016 GRIP Charge	<u>13.50</u>
Total Customer Charge	\$188.25

WRITTEN CONTRACT

In order to receive a delivery from Company of more than 25 Mcf during any one day, the Consumer must execute a written contract with Company on Company's form of contract covering the sale of gas by Company to it. In the case of existing Consumers, the maximum gas usage during any one day shall be obtained from the records of the Company, except in cases where the existing Consumer will be purchasing increased volumes of gas from Company because of expansions or for any other reasons, in which event the Company may estimate usage by such Consumer. Also in the case of new Consumers, the Company may estimate usage by the Consumer. Any such estimates made by Company shall be binding on Consumer in determining whether or not a contract is required. Such written contract shall be executed by Consumer upon request of Company and Company shall not be obligated to serve any

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such Consumer more than 25 Mcf during any one day until such written contract is executed and delivered by Consumer.

MEASUREMENT

The term "cubic foot of gas" for the purpose of measurement of the gas delivered and for all other purposes is the amount of gas necessary to fill a cubic foot of space when the gas is at an absolute pressure of 14.65 pounds per square inch and at a base temperature of sixty (60) degrees Fahrenheit.

The term "Mcf" shall mean 1,000 cubic feet of gas.

The Sales Unit shall be one Mcf.

Assumed Atmospheric Pressure - The average atmospheric pressure shall be assumed to be fourteen and seven-tenths (14.7) pounds per square inch, irrespective of actual elevation or location of the point of delivery above sea level or variation in such atmospheric pressure from time to time.

Orifice Meters - When orifice meters are used for the measurement of gas, such orifice meters shall be constructed and installed, and the computations of volume made, in accordance with the provisions of Gas Measurement Committee Report No. 3 of the American Gas Association as revised September, 1969 ("A.G.A. Report No. 3), with any subsequent amendments or revisions which may be mutually acceptable.

The temperature of the gas shall be determined by a recording thermometer so installed that it may record the temperature of the gas flowing through the meter or meters. The average of the record to the nearest one (1) degree Fahrenheit, obtained while gas is being delivered, shall be the applicable flowing gas temperature for the period under consideration.

The specific gravity of the gas shall be determined by a recording gravitometer owned and operated by the pipeline company from whom Company purchases its gas, so installed that it may record the specific gravity of the gas flowing through the meter or meters; provided, however, that the results of spot tests made by the pipeline company with a standard type specific gravity instrument shall be used at locations where the pipeline company does not have a recording gravitometer in service. If the recording gravitometer is used, the average of the record to the nearest one-thousandth (0.001), obtained while gas is being delivered, shall be the applicable specific gravity of the gas for the period under consideration. If the spot test method is used, the specific gravity of the gas delivered hereunder shall be determined once monthly, the result obtained, to the nearest one-thousandth (0.001), to be applicable during the succeeding billing month.

Adjustment for the effect of supercompressibility shall be made according to the provisions of A.G.A. Report No. 3, hereinabove identified, for the average conditions of pressure, flowing temperature and specific gravity at which the gas was measured during the period under consideration, and with the proportionate value of each carbon dioxide and nitrogen in the gas delivered included in the computation of the applicable supercompressibility factors. Company shall obtain appropriate carbon dioxide and nitrogen fraction values as may be required from time to time.

Positive Displacement Meters and Turbine Meters - When positive displacement meters and/or turbine meters are used for the measurement of gas, the flowing temperature of the gas metered shall be assumed to be sixty (60) degrees Fahrenheit, and no correction shall be made for any variation therefrom; provided however, that company shall have the option of installing a recording thermometer, and if company exercises such option, corrections shall be made for each degree variation in the applicable flowing temperature for the period under consideration.