

**APPENDIX A
RULES AND REGULATIONS
THE SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT GAS COMPANY
LOAD CURTAILMENT PLAN DURING PERIODS OF CURTAILED
NATURAL GAS AND SUPPLEMENTAL GAS PIPELINE DELIVERIES**

I. Implementation of Load Curtailment Plan

- A. This Load Curtailment Plan is to be implemented when there is a shortage of gas supply resulting from a curtailed natural gas and supplemental gas pipeline deliveries and when in the judgment of the Company, it is necessary to curtail gas deliveries to some of its Customers to protect the available supplies of gas for its higher priority Customers.
- B. This Load Curtailment Plan applies when it is necessary to reduce gas usage by Customers as a result of a shortage of gas supply.¹ <*>

II. Responsibility for Initiating the Load Curtailment Plan

A responsible officer of the Company will determine the amount of load curtailment required and the anticipated period the curtailment will be in effect.

III. Notification to the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (the “Authority”)

Whenever possible, the Authority will be notified in writing 72 hours in advance of any cutoff of gas service to Customers in Categories 4 through 11. However, should immediate load shedding be essential to the integrity of the system and time prohibits notification prior to load shedding, telephonic notice should then be as soon as possible. In any event, written notification should be filed with the Authority within five (5) working days. The notice shall include, to the extent possible

1. The name of the Customer,
2. The number of the Customer’s employees,
3. The product or services of the Customer.

IV. Notification to Pipeline Suppliers

- A. Notify Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company and Algonquin Gas Transmission Company by telephone, confirmed in writing, when it is imminent that firm Customers will be curtailed. (Paragraph VI, Step 5, in this plan)
- B. Notify Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation by telephone, confirmed by telegram, when curtailment of firm Customers using less than 50 Mcf per day is imminent. (Per Texas Eastern telegram dated 2/27/75) (Step 10 in this plan)

<*>¹ Curtailments due to emergencies such as a main break are covered in the Company’s
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V. Setting Priorities for Customer's Gas Service

- A. The priority of Customer's gas service will generally be determined by their end use consistent with the Federal Power Commission Guidelines as stated in FPC Order 467-B, dated March 2, 1973, as the same may, from time to time, be amended.
- B. Customers will be classified and assigned to priority level categories that apply specifically for implementing this curtailment plan. A Customer's "use" of gas shall be the average daily use in the peak month as determined by the Company's records.
- C. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, no curtailments will be imposed on a higher priority category until all lower priority categories are curtailed 100%. When it is necessary to curtail all Customer in a given category, the Company may curtail only the largest users in that category or, depending upon the estimated duration of the curtailment and the difficulty of relighting, the Company may rotate curtailments in that category.
- D. Emergency relief from curtailment may be granted when, in the judgment of the Company, it can be shown that some deliveries of gas are required to forestall irreparable injury to life or property. Such instances shall be promptly reported to the Authority.

VI. Sequence of Load Curtailment.

- Step 1. Stop service to all Customers in Category 1.

Category 1 Customers are non-residential interruptible Customers with alternate fuels using over 300 Mcf daily.

- Step 2. Stop service to all Customers in Category 2.

Category 2 Customers are interruptible Customers, other than temperature-sensitive, with alternate fuels using less than 300 Mcf daily.

- Step 3. Appeal to all Customers by radio, TV and the press to reduce voluntarily their use of gas.

Appeal to all municipal and state leaders, the Authority and the Connecticut Energy Agency and other governmental agencies to urge conservation.

- Step 4. Stop service to all Customers in Category 3.

Category 3 includes all residential temperature-sensitive interruptible loads and interruptible NGV loads. (Since this step could require more time than that available for load shedding, this step may be temporarily bypassed. If it is

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bypassed, Step 4 will be executed as soon as practical, and service to higher priority Customers restored, if possible.)

Step 5. Stop service to all Customers in Category 4.

Category 4 includes all firm Customers known by the Company to have alternate fuel capability not previously shut off.

Step 6. Stop service to all Customers in Category 5.

Category 5 includes firm industrial Customers who use more than 500 Mcf daily.

Step 7. Stop service to all Customers in Category 6.

Category 6 includes firm industrial Customers who use more than 300 Mcf daily, but less than 500 Mcf daily.

Step 8. Stop service to all Customers in Category 7.

Category 7 includes all commercial and industrial Customers who use more than 100 Mcf per day and are not included in any of the above steps.

Step 9. Stop service to all Customers in Category 8.

Category 8 includes all commercial and industrial Customers using between 50 Mcf and 100 Mcf per day.

Step 10. Stop service to all Customers in Category 9.

Category 9 includes all industrial Customers who use less than 50 Mcf per day.

Step 11. Stop service to all Customers in Category 10.

Category 10 includes all commercial Customers who use less than 50 Mcf per day.

Step 12. Stop service to all Customers in Category 11.

Category 11 includes all Customers classified as nonvital government services. Irrespective of their rate classification or volume of use, schools which are firm customers will be included in Category 11.

Step 13. Stop service for plant protection. Gas will be shut off to those industrial Customers in Categories 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 which were allocated just enough natural gas to prevent machinery and equipment damage because of freezing.

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Step 14. Stop service for firm residential Customers.

Step 15. Stop service for vital governmental services and hospitals.² <*>.

Definition:

Alternate fuel capacity means that equipment for and supplies of alternate fuel exist and are in operational condition.

<*>² Service will be restored to any licensed hospital, nursing home or health care delivery facility which is an interruptible customer and whose alternate fuel is no longer available to it. Such customers will be treated in Category (Step) 15.