

ARKANSAS PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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RIDER (EECR)**

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5. ENERGY EFFICIENCY COST RECOVERY RIDER (EECR)

5.1. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery (EECR) Tariff is to establish the EECR Rate(s) by which CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp. d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Arkansas Gas will recover the incremental costs of energy efficiency programs approved by the Commission in its final order in Docket No. 07-081-TF and shall become effective upon the date established by the Commission. Recovery is limited to the incremental costs which represent the direct program costs that are not already included in the then current rates of the utility (Recoverable Costs).

5.2. INITIAL RATE(S)

The initial EECR Rate(s) shall be determined by application of the EECR Rate Formula set out in Attachment A to this EECR Tariff. The EECR Rate(s) shall be filed in Docket No. 07-081-TF and shall be accompanied by a set of workpapers sufficient to fully document the calculations of the EECR Rate(s). The initial EECR Rate(s) shall reflect the projected EECR Recoverable Costs for the period commencing on October 1, 2007 and ending on December 31, 2008 together with the accrued collaborative costs. The EECR Rate(s) so determined shall be effective for bills rendered on and after November 1, 2007 and shall then remain in effect until May 31, 2009.

5.3. ANNUAL REDETERMINATION

On or before April 1 of each year beginning in 2009, redetermined EECR Rate(s) shall be filed by the Company with the Commission. The redetermined EECR Rate(s) shall be determined by application of the EECR Rate Formula set out in Attachment A to this EECR Tariff. Each such revised EECR Rate shall be filed

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in Docket No. 07-081-TF and shall be accompanied by a set of workpapers sufficient to fully document the calculations of the revised EECR Rate(s). The redetermined EECR Rate(s) shall reflect the projected EECR Costs for the 12-month period commencing on January 1 of each year (“Filing Year”) together with a true-up adjustment reflecting the over-recovery or under-recovery of the EECR Costs for the 12-month period ended December 31 of the prior calendar year (“Reporting Year”). (The true-up adjustment for the first annual redetermined rate(s) will reflect the over-recovery or under-recovery of the EECR Costs for the period October 2007 through December 2008.) The EECR Rate(s) so redetermined shall be effective for bills rendered on and after the first billing cycle of June of the “Filing” year and shall then remain in effect for twelve (12) months (“EECR Cycle”), except as otherwise provided for below.

In support of the redetermined rate, the utility shall secure or create, and subsequently retain, workpapers containing all data needed to substantiate its proposed EECR Rate. In its filing, the Company shall complete and submit the schedules adopted by the Commission in Order #18 of Docket No. 06-004-R.

5.4. INTERIM ADJUSTMENT

Should a cumulative over-recovery or under-recovery balance arise during any EECR Cycle which exceeds ten (10) percent of the EECR Cost determined for the EECR Cycle included in the most recently filed rate redetermination under this EECR Tariff, then either the General Staff or the Company may propose an interim revision to the then currently effective EECR Rate(s).

5.5. TRACKING AND MONITORING PROGRAM COSTS AND BENEFITS

The Company shall develop and implement appropriate accounting procedures, subject to the review of the General Staff, which provide for separate tracking, accounting, and reporting of all program costs incurred by the Company. The

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procedures shall enable energy efficiency program costs to be readily identified and clearly separated from all other costs. The Company shall secure and retain all documents necessary to verify the validity of the program costs for which it is seeking recovery. Such documents shall include, but shall not be limited to, vouchers, journal entries, program participant's billing history (including usage and payment records), and the date the participant's project was completed.

The Company shall develop and implement appropriate accounting procedures, subject to the review of the General Staff, which provide for separate tracking, accounting, and reporting of revenues collected through the EECR Tariff. The procedures shall enable the EECR revenues to be readily identified and clearly separated from all other revenues. The Company shall secure and retain all documents necessary to verify the accuracy of the EECR revenues. Such documents shall include, but shall not be limited to, billing determinants, journal entries, and summary revenue reports.

The Company shall develop and implement appropriate procedures, subject to the review of the General Staff, which provide for separate tracking of the benefits and the effectiveness of the programs. The data that shall be tracked shall include, but shall not be limited to, information that will enable the Commission to assess the effectiveness of the programs. The Company shall secure and retain all documents necessary to verify its assessments. Such documents shall include, but shall not be limited to, customer surveys, usage records, payment history, and customer income level, if available.

5.6. TERM

This EECR Tariff shall remain in effect until modified or terminated by the Commission.

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5.7. APPLICABLE RATE SCHEDULES:

- Residential Firm Sales Service (RS-1)
- Small Commercial Firm Sales Service (SCS-1)
- Small Commercial Firm Sales Service—Off-Peak (SCS-2)
- Small Commercial Firm Sales Service—Pilot NGV (SCS-3)
- Large Commercial Firm Service (LCS-1)
- Unmetered Gas Light Firm Sales Service (GL-1)

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