

7610.1200 INTERSTATE GAS PIPELINES; FORECAST, STATISTICS.

Subpart 1. **Requirement.** Each interstate pipeline company shall annually submit to the commissioner, for the last calendar year, the present calendar year, and the subsequent first, fifth, tenth, and 15th years, actual data and forecasts of anticipated annual Minnesota service area consumption and supply of natural gas.

Subp. 2. **Contents of report.** The basic forecast and current data report must contain the following data for each year cited in subpart 1:

A. the annual sales and deliveries to Minnesota gas utility distribution companies for resale;

B. the annual sales and deliveries to ultimate consumers in Minnesota, excluding sales and deliveries that are transported in part by Minnesota distribution utilities; and

C. the maximum one-day amount of gas that must be provided to the Minnesota service area to meet contractual obligations to the gas utilities served.

Subp. 3. **Basis of forecasts.** In meeting the requirements of subpart 1, historical data for the last calendar year must be supplied.

For each other reporting year, the forecasts must be made using the interstate pipeline company's best estimate for each of the items. Interstate pipeline companies must prepare these forecasts to the best of their ability and knowledge based on those assumptions and factors that the reporting utility considers most likely to occur. An interstate pipeline company shall evaluate the size of estimating error possible given the conditions and factors used in the estimate. A utility company shall comment on possible deviation from the forecast and what factors might create the deviation.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 216C.10*

History: *L 1987 c 186 s 15, c 312 art 1 s 9; 16 SR 1400*

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