

Order No. 22/23

**Order in Respect of Centra Gas Manitoba Inc.'s Request to Amend its Terms and
Conditions of Service Pursuant to Directive 2 of Order 2/23 (Modified Large
General Service)**

February 16, 2023

BEFORE: Marilyn Kapitany, B.Sc., (Hon), M.Sc., Panel Chair
Shawn McCutcheon, Member
Susan Nemec, FCPA, FCA, Member

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1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

By this Order, the Public Utilities Board (“Board”) approves Centra Gas Manitoba Inc.’s (“Centra”) request to revise its Schedule of Sales and Transportation Services and Rates, also known as Centra’s Terms and Conditions of Service, in order to describe the modified Large General Service offering approved in Order 2/23.

2.0 INTRODUCTION

Centra’s Schedule of Sales and Transportation Services and Rates, also known as Centra’s Terms and Conditions of Service, is a document that describes Centra’s service offerings and the obligations associated with these services. The latest version of Centra’s Terms and Conditions of Service was approved by the Board in Order 114/22 to address changes to Centra’s rate structure that took effect November 1, 2022.

In Order 2/23, dated January 4, 2023, the Board approved Centra’s request for authorization to offer modified Large General Service contracts to high-capacity seasonal customers connecting to capacity-constrained areas of Centra’s system. Under the terms of the new offering, Centra may physically lock off the gas supply to these seasonal customers such that gas service will not be available during the peak winter heating season months of December through March.

As part of its findings in Order 2/23, the Board found that Centra’s existing Terms and Conditions of Service required amendment to accommodate the modified Large General Service offering. As a result, Directive 2 of Order 2/23 stated:

“2. Centra shall file for Board approval, and before Centra finalizes modified Large General Service contracts with prospective customers, a revised version of Centra’s Terms and Conditions of Service which adequately describes the modified Large General Service offering.”

3.0 CENTRA'S PROPOSED CHANGES TO ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

On January 27, 2023, pursuant to Directive 2 of Order 2/23, Centra filed a request with the Board to approve changes to its Terms and Conditions of Service to address its new offering for modified Large General Service. This submission was further revised on February 10, 2023. Specifically, Centra proposed to add the following paragraph to Section III.B.2 of its Terms and Conditions of Service:

“At the discretion of the Company in order to facilitate connections of new customers on capacity-constrained areas of Centra's system, it may require an LGC Customer to enter into a Modified LGC Contract (“Modified LGC”) for a new service. The modified contract allows the company to physically turn off the supply of gas to the LGC Customer during the winter peak period of December 1st through to March 31st. To be eligible to enter into a Modified LGC Contract, the LGC Customer is required to have a dedicated meter facility separate from other customer gas loads that require year-round consumption. Customers entering into a Modified LGC Contract will continue to be charged the Basic Monthly Charge during the shut-off period.”

4.0 BOARD FINDINGS

The Board finds that Centra's updated Terms and Conditions of Service properly describe the modified Large General Service offering approved in Order 2/23. The Board therefore approves Centra's revised Terms and Conditions of Service submission of February 10, 2023 and finds Directive 2 of Order 2/23 to be complete.

5.0 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. Centra's proposed changes to the Schedule of Sales and Transportation Services and Rates, filed in response to Directive 2 of Order 2/23, **BE AND ARE HEREBY APPROVED.**

Board decisions may be appealed in accordance with the provisions of Section 58 of *The Public Utilities Board Act*, or reviewed in accordance with Section 36 of the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure. The Board's Rules may be viewed on the Board's website at www.pubmanitoba.ca .

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

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