## BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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In the Matter of the Application of Kansas Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc.'s Proposed Tariff Revision of its Credit/Debit Card Transaction Amounts

Docket No. 25-KGSG-<u>190</u>-TAR

# APPLICATION

Kansas Gas Service, a division of ONE Gas, Inc. ("Kansas Gas Service" or "Company"), pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117 and 66-1,200, *et seq.*, submits to the Kansas Corporation Commission ("Commission") this Application to revise the authorized charge for credit and debit card transactions by customers as stated in Section 12 of the Company's General Terms and Conditions ("GTC").

In support of its Application, Kansas Gas Service submits the following to the Commission:

1. The names, addresses, phone numbers and electronic mailing addresses of the persons authorized to receive notices and communications with respect to this Application on behalf of Kansas Gas Service are as follows:

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2. Kansas Gas Service is a natural gas public utility operating in the State of Kansas pursuant to certificates of convenience and necessity issued by the Commission. Kansas Gas Service's principal place of business in the State of Kansas is located at 7421 W. 129th Street, Overland Park, Kansas 66213. Kansas Gas Service is a natural gas utility company within the

meaning of K.S.A. 66-1,200 of the Kansas Public Utility Act and is engaged in the business of selling and distributing natural gas in various communities located throughout the State of Kansas. Kansas Gas Service is a division of ONE Gas, Inc.

3. On December 6, 2004, in Docket No. 04-GIMX-651-GIV, the Commission issued an Order revising the Commission's Minimum Standards for Payment ("Payment Standards") to allow utilities to charge for credit, debit and ATM card payments made by customers. Subsequent Orders in this docket maintained the original revision to the Commission's Payment Standards, with some clarifying statements, relating to treatment of credit card payments.

4. On October 7, 2005, the Commission issued in Docket No. 05-KGSG-1012-TAR its Final Order approving creation of Section 12.12 Credit/Debit/ATM Card Fees within the Company's GTC rate schedule. As authorized by the Commission, Kansas Gas Service charged \$2.13 per credit and debit card transaction ("Card Fees").

5. The Commission issued an Order in Docket No. 20-KGSG-076-TAR on October 29, 2019, approving Kansas Gas Service's request to decrease the Credit/Debit/ATM Credit Card Fee from \$2.13 to \$1.99 per transaction to reflect the convenience fee charged by Kansas Gas Service's credit card payment processing vendor.

6. On October 3, 2024, ONE Gas, Inc. and i3 Verticals, LLC, executed a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU"). The MOU details ONE Gas, Inc. and i3 Verticals, LLC are currently negotiating a new payment processing agreement. Likewise, the MOU clarifies the fee agreement applicable to Kansas Gas Service's customers.

7. In this Application, Kansas Gas Service requests changes to Section 12.12 of its GTC to further decrease the Credit/Debit/ATM Card Fee from \$1.99 to \$1.95 per transaction to reflect

the decrease in the convenience fee charged by Kansas Gas Service's new credit card payment processing vendor. Redline and clean versions of the proposed tariff are attached as Exhibit 1.

8. Kansas Gas Service's request to reduce the convenience fee charged to customers is the result of the Company transitioning to a new payment processing vendor. Kansas Gas Service anticipates the new vendor will begin processing transactions in early November 2024. Kansas Gas Service respectfully requests the Commission act on this Application by November 8, 2024, to allow a smooth transition between payment processing vendors and allow the decreased convenience fee to take effect as soon as possible.

WHEREFORE, Kansas Gas Service respectfully requests the approval of his Application as requested herein and for such other relief as the Commission should deem just and reasonable.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Robert Elliott Vincent

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# EXHIBIT 1

#### THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF KANSAS

Kansas Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc. All Rate Areas

<del>2019</del>September 11, 2020

No supplement or separate understanding shall modify the tariff as shown herein.

# Sheet 1 of 1

SCHEDULE GTC12

Replacing Sheet 1 filed December 17,

### General Terms and Conditions for Gas Service

#### 12. Statement of Miscellaneous Charges and Amounts:

		Reference Section	<u>Amount</u>
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12.03	Credit Due Amount	4.05.01	\$ 10.00
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12.05	Collection or Disconnection Charge	5.08	\$ 15.00
12.06	Reconnection Charge	5.09	\$ 20.00
12.07	Insufficient Funds Check Charge	4.01.05	\$ 30.00
12.08	Insufficient Funds Service Charge	4.01.05	\$ 30.00
12.09	Adjusted Bill Amount	4.05.01 and 9.02.05	\$ 2.00
12.10	Meter Test Fee	9.02.04	\$ 40.00
12.11	Base Residential Usage	8.01.07(4)(a)	138 Mcf
12.12	Credit/Debit/ATM Card, PayPal, PayPal Credit, Venmo, Amazon Pay Fee per transaction up to and including \$1500	4.01.05(4)	\$ <u>1.95</u> 1.99
12.13	Diversion Reconnection Charge	5.09	\$ 55.00

Issued:	<del>September 11, 2020<u>October 15, 2024</u></del>	<del>21 KGSG 114 TAR</del>
Effective:	January 21, 2021	Approved
		Kansas Corporation Commission
By:	/S/ <u>Janet L. Buchanan</u>	<del>January 21, 2021</del>
	Janet L. Buchanan, Director – Regulatory Affairs	<del>/S/ Lynn Retz</del>

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	Janet L. Buchanan, Director – Regulatory Affairs	

#### VERIFICATION

## STATE OF KANSAS ) ) ss COUNTY OF JOHNSON )

Robert Vincent of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and states: That he is an attorney for Kansas Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc.; that he has read the above and foregoing *Application* and that the statements therein contained are true according to her knowledge, information and belief.

Robert Elliott Vincent

Subscribed and sworn before me this 14 day of October, 2024.

Notary Public

My Appointment Expires: \_\_\_\_\_\_

STEPHANIE FLEMING My Appointment Expires June 5, 2026

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the above and foregoing *Application* was forwarded this 15th day of October 2024, addressed to:

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