

**CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP.
D/B/A CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX
AND CENTERPOINT ENERGY TEXAS GAS
SOUTH TEXAS DIVISION
RATE SHEET
RATE SCHEDULE NO. RCE-7.1**

APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE

This schedule is applicable to any customer served under residential, general service-small, general service-large rate schedules in the following cities of the South Texas Division:

Aransas Pass, Bishop, Converse, El Campo, Elgin, Garden Ridge, Giddings, Goliad, Ingleside, Kingsville, La Coste, La Grange, Mathis, Orange Grove, Palacios, Pleasanton, Point Comfort, Portland, Port Lavaca, Poteet, Taft, and Victoria (collectively "Steering Committee of Cities" or "SCC"); the cities of Alice, Austin, Bastrop, Buda, Cibolo, Jourdan, Kyle, New Braunfels, San Marcos, Seguin, Smithville, and Universal City (collectively "Alliance of CenterPoint Municipalities" or "ACM")

This rate schedule is for the recovery of rate case expense and shall be in effect beginning on or after August 21, 2012, for a thirty-six (36) month period or until all approved expenses are collected.

MONTHLY RATE RECOVERY FACTOR:

Residential	\$0.52 per bill
General Service-Small	\$0.52 per bill
General Service-Large	\$0.52 per bill

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Service under this schedule shall be furnished in accordance with the Company's General Rules and Regulations, as such rules may be amended from time to time. A copy of the Company's General Rules and Regulations may be obtained from Company's office located at 1111 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas.

COMPLIANCE

The Company will file annually, due on the 15th of each December, a report with the RRC Gas Services Division. The report shall detail the monthly collections for RCE surcharge and show the outstanding balance.