

55-1402. Definitions. For the purposes of this act:

(a) "Commission" means the state corporation commission.

(b) "Gas purchase contract" means any contract under which natural gas is sold within the state of Kansas (1) to any person for resale by such person or (2) to any person for use by such person, but shall not be deemed to include rate schedules, contracts or service agreements under which natural gas is sold (i) by a natural gas public utility as defined in K.S.A. 66-104, either to a person for use by such person or to a person for resale by such person, which sale is subject to the regulatory jurisdiction of the commission, or (ii) to the ultimate consumers by other persons which are local distribution companies.

(c) "Indefinite price escalator clause" means any provision of a gas purchase contract which provides for the establishment or adjustment of the price of natural gas delivered under such contract by reference to other prices for natural gas, for crude oil, or for refined petroleum products.

(d) "New well" means any well:

(1) The surface drilling of which began on or after February 19, 1977; or

(2) the depth of which was increased, by means of drilling on or after February 19, 1977, to a completion location at least one thousand (1,000) feet below the depth of the deepest completion location such well attained before February 19, 1977.

(e) "New reservoir" means any reservoir that qualifies as a new onshore reservoir under section 102 of the natural gas policy act of 1978.

(f) "Stripper well" means any well qualifying as such under section 108(b) of the natural gas policy act of 1978.

(g) "Price" as used herein means the price for natural gas prior to the assessment of any production and conservation fees and taxes by the state of Kansas.

(h) "Committed or dedicated to interstate commerce", when used with respect to natural gas, means natural gas which qualifies as committed or dedicated to interstate commerce under section 2(18) of the natural gas policy act of 1978.

(i) "Person" means (1) any individual, corporation (including cooperatives), public trust or authority, partnership, joint venture or other form of business entity, or voluntary association, or (2) the United States, any state, or any political subdivision, agency or instrumentality of the foregoing.

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