

66-2101. Definitions. As used in K.S.A. 66-2101 through 66-2106, and amendments thereto, the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings:

(a) "Certificate" means authority granted to a natural gas public utility to transact business pursuant to chapter 66 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, to include any certificated area, territory or exclusive service rights;

(b) "city limits" means the area within the defined corporate limits of an incorporated city;

(c) "existing gas service utility" means a natural gas public utility that presently owns, operates, maintains and is responsible for an existing gas service line that the public utility, or its predecessor in interest, constructed from its distribution system to the point of service physically located on the property being served and which is currently being used to provide the property with firm gas service. In no event will it include a natural gas public utility that merely owns, operates, maintains or is responsible for a meter or meter station and incidental pipeline connections;

(d) "firm gas service" means the level of gas service which obligates the natural gas public utility, unless otherwise agreed between the natural gas public utility and the customer, to provide their customer with an unlimited supply of gas, available at all times and delivered to the customer's property without interruption for any reason other than force majeure;

(e) "gas" means natural gas as the term is commonly understood in the natural gas industry to include the meanings ascribed to the terms "gas" and "natural gas" in chapter 66 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto;

(f) "gas provider" means any person that provides gas, gas transportation, gas supply management or other gas services and any related facilities associated with delivering gas to a rural gas user;

(g) "gas supply system" means any well, pipeline, plant tailgate, meter or other facility which is a source of gas or which is associated with the transportation, treatment, processing or delivery of gas;

(h) "person" means an individual, association or other legal entity;

(i) "public utility" means a natural gas public utility or common carrier as defined in chapter 66 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto;

(j) "rural gas service" means all activities necessary or convenient to procure, manage, transport and deliver gas to a rural gas user; and

(k) "rural gas user" means any person currently using natural gas from a wellhead or gathering facility for agricultural purposes on property they own, lease or operate that is located outside city limits and not presently receiving gas service from an existing gas service utility.

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