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Intermountain Gas Company is requesting the Idaho Public Utilities Commission to approve a new rate schedule which would require a hook-up fee for certain new customer connections in the Ketchum and Sun Valley areas.

Today, the pipeline used to transport natural gas to these areas is operating at near system capacity. This system is unique in that a vast majority of consumer demand is located at the remote end of the pipeline. In order to continue to provide reliable distribution service for additional customer growth in the Ketchum/Sun Valley area, costly upgrades to this system must be made.

The proposed fee applies only to new customers located within Intermountain's Ketchum/Sun Valley service territory, whose usage exceeds the average customer's peak-day demand. This proposal will impact only those new customers who are creating the need for, and who directly benefit from, additional distribution system investments. The defined impact area is north of Gimlet Road, excluding Gimlet Subdivision. An impact area map has been filed with the Company's Application.

Intermountain's earnings will not change as a result of the proposed new rate schedule. This proposal is subject to public review and a decision by the Idaho Public Utilities Commission. A copy of the entire text of the proposal is available at the offices of both the Idaho Public Utilities Commission and the Company.

Intermountain Gas Company, a subsidiary of MDU Resources Group, Inc., is a natural gas distribution company serving approximately 305,000 residential, commercial and industrial customers in 74 communities in southern Idaho. For more information about Intermountain Gas Company please visit www.intgas.com.

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