Tokyo Gas Applies for Authorization of "Transmission Service Agreement"

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Tokyo Gas Co., Ltd. (Head office: Minato-ku, Tokyo; President: Mr. Michiaki Hirose, "Tokyo Gas") has submitted an application to the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry for authorization of "transmission service agreement" (hereinafter referred to as "Agreement") prescribed in Article 48 Paragraph 1 of the Gas Business Act (5th revision), pursuant to Article 18 Paragraph 1 of this Act*1.

The "Agreement" is provisions which prescribe the tariffs and other supply conditions in cases where businesses newly participating in gas sales and other gas retailers aside from Tokyo Gas use the gas pipelines and facilities of Tokyo Gas. The present transmission service agreement has been revised to reflect the revisions of various laws toward the full liberalization of the gas retail market to be implemented on April 2017 as well as the contents of deliberations at national councils*2.

The main contents of the revisions are as follows.

1. Establishment of new transmission service tariff ("Standard Transmission Service Tariffs")

To date, transmission service tariffs have not been set for customers receiving gas supply with an annual consumption volume of less than 100,000m³ per year. Transmission service tariffs for small-volume customers are now being established because they will also become subject to liberalization with the full liberalization of the retail gas market from April 2017.

In addition, Transmission service tariffs for large-volume*3 customers receiving gas supply are revised to reflect the revisions of the items of costs in estimating the transmission service tariff.

2. Establishment of discount tariff ("Optional Agreement")

At the same time, for the customers of using the gas pipeline facilities effectively, for example, that installed the co-generation system, the "Optional Agreement" that discount from the "Standard Transmission Service Tariffs" are now being established.

Under the application, the transmission service tariff is an average of ¥21.89 per m³ (in the supply area, "Tokyo district etc.")

The "transmission service agreement" for which the application for authorization was submitted today is scheduled to be implemented from 1 April 2017, following authorization by the Ministry of Economic, Trade and Industry.

- *1 upplementary Provisions of the Act on Partial Revision to the Electricity Business Act, Etc. (enacted on June 24, 2015).
- *2 National councils include the Gas System Reform Subcommittee of the Strategic Policy Committee of the Advisory Committee for Natural Resources and Energy.
- *3 By the end of March, 2017, it will become possible for customers with an annual consumption volume of 100,000m³ (46MJ) or more to conclude contracts through large-volume supply.
 - In the areas where Tokyo Gas supplies 45MJ gas ("Tokyo district etc." and "Gunma district etc."), the volume will be $102,223\text{m}^3$ or more, and in the areas where Tokyo Gas supplies 38.51166MJ gas ("Yotsukaido 12A district"), the volume will be $106,630\text{m}^3$ or more.

■ Tariff table

1. Standard transmission service tariff(Type1) [tax-exclusive]

						Tokyo District etc. (45MJ)	Gunma District etc. (45MJ)	Yotsukaidou12A District (38.51166MJ)
	A	Tokyo District etc.:0m ^{3~} 20m ³ Gunma District etc.:0m ^{3~} 24m ³ Yotsukaidou12A District:0m ^{3~} 20m ³	Fixed tariff	Standing	¥/contract /month	103.50	103.50	103.50
			Unit tariff \text{\text{\$\frac{1}{2}\$}}{\text{\$V\$}} \text{\$\text{\$m\$}}^3		¥/m³	57.20	99.87	89.61
	В	Tokyo District etc.:20m³~80m³ Gunma District etc.:24m³~500m³ Yotsukaidou12A District:20m³~200m³	Fixed tariff	Standing	¥/contract /month	144.10	1,001.40	721.10
			Unit tariff		¥/m³	55.17	62.46	58.73
	С	Tokyo District etc.:80m ^{3~} 200m ³ Gunma District etc.:500m ^{3~} Yotsukaidou12A District:200m ^{3~}	Fixed tariff	Standing	¥/contract /month	952.10	5,881.40	2,639.10
Tym o 1			Unit	tariff	¥/m³	45.07	52.70	49.14
Type1	D	Tokyo District etc.:200m ^{3~} 500m ³	Fixed tariff	Standing	¥/contract /month	1,462.10	_	_
			Unit	tariff	¥/m³	42.52	_	
	E	Tokyo District etc.:500m ^{3~} 800m ³	Fixed tariff	Standing	¥/contract /month	4,862.10	_	_
			Unit	tariff	¥/m³	35.72	_	
	F	Tokyo District etc.:800m³∼	Fixed tariff	Standing	¥/contract /month	9,622.10	_	_
			Unit	tariff	¥/m³	29.77		

2. Standard transmission service tariff(Type2) [tax-exclusive]

					Tokyo District etc. (45MJ)	Gunma District etc. (45MJ)	Yotsukaidou12A District (38.51166MJ)
	No.3	Fixed tariff	Standing	¥/contract /month	43,070.00	46,100.00	24,170.00
			Flow rate	¥/m³/month	675.00	719.74	159.00
		Unit tariff	Winter	¥/m³	4.62	23.88	6.00
			Other seasons	Ψ/m^3	3.85	19.90	5.00
	No.2	Fixed tariff	Standing	¥/contract /month	105,840.00	79,600.00	_
Tymo?			Flow rate	¥/m³/month	675.00	719.74	_
Type2		Unit tariff	Winter	Ψ/m^3	2.94	23.04	_
			Other seasons	Ym^3	2.45	19.20	_
	No.1	Fixed tariff	Standing	¥/contract /month	227,570.00	141,600.00	_
			Flow rate	¥/m³/month	675.00	719.74	_
		Unit tariff	Winter	Ψ/m^3	2.16	22.68	_
			Other seasons	Ψ/m^3	1.80	18.90	_
	Amount added for low pressure	Additional	unit tariff	Y/m^3	1.97	3.13	_

3. Optional Agreement[tax-exclusive]

					Tokyo District etc. (45MJ)	Gunma District etc. (45MJ)	Yotsukaidou12A District (38.51166MJ)
		Discount for small type cogeneration	Discount	¥/m³	3.50	3.50	3.00
Typ	no.1	system package	Discount upper limit	¥/month	700.00	700.00	700.00
Type1		Discount for cogeneration system only	Discount	¥/m ⁴	6.50	_	_
			Discount upper limit	¥/month	16,000.00	_	_
Trme9	No.3 No.2	Discount for cogeneration system only	Discount	¥/m ⁵	2.00	_	_
Type2	No.1	Discount for cogeneration system only	Discount upper limit	¥/month	300,000.00	_	_

(Unit: 100 million yen)

Outline of the "Transmission Service Agreement"

1. Preconditions for estimating the tariff for Transmission Service

Period for the calculation	Gas volume	Rate of fair return		
FY2017~FY2019	13.5 BCM	2.18%		

(note) • The gas volume is estimated based on the Supply Plan.

•The ratio of fair return is calculated subject to the relevant law.

2. The costs taking into account at the estimation of the tariff

- As the estimation, we take into account the costs for required check, maintenance, repairs and replacements for the gas transmission facilities to secure stable and safe gas supply and the amortization expense for the construction for new pipelines to meet the increasing demand.
- •We also estimate the costs taking into account the reflection of Gas Market Reform including the required costs for the sales activities contributing to the installation of new pipelines for new customers and the operation to keep our gas supply stable.
- •At the same time, we also take into account the impact of the assumed cost saving including the promotion to seek competing bids for the purchases of maximally. As the result, the amounts of the costs were estimated 295.9 billion yen as the costs in the supply area of "Tokyo district etc." (the average of 3 years (FY2017 to 2019)).

[Contents (Tokyo district etc.)]

		Estimated cost	reference
		(application)	
Network cost subject to yardstick assessment		1,057	Total of Personnel expenses. General expenses (except for "cost related to facilities" and "taxes and dues") and General and administrative expenses
	Depreciation & amortization	919	
Cost related	Repair costs	321	
to facilities	Loss on retirement of property, plant and equipment		
Fair return	Fair return		
Taxes and du	ues	327	
Other expens	Other expenses · Allowable profit		
Cost for supply and demand adjustment		30	Total of cost for adjustment and transfer
Cost for market research and development		68	Total of cost for market research and market development
Total		2,959	

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(1)Network cost breakdown list subject to yardstick assessment

(Total amount for 3 years from FY2017 to FY2019 in Tokyo, Gunma and Yotsukaidou12A districts)

Net	:4		Amount
.wor	item		(Unit: thousand yen)
, СС		Personnel expenses	93,047,324
Network cost subject to yardstick assessment		Electricity charges	964,861
subj	Ор	Water charges	372,866
ect	erat	Gas charges	576,483
to y	ting	Expendable costs	36,282,127
'ard	ex	Freightage expenses	414,770
stic	Operating expenses	Transportation expenses	1,441,735
k as	ses	Communication expenses	1,561,224
ses		Insurance expenses	56,383
sme		Rent	17,162,636
int		Consignment costs	86,107,667
		Experiment and research	
		expenses	2,207,529
		Education expenses	412,032
		Inventory shortage	14,712
		Write-offs	0
		Miscellaneous expenses	3,907,806
	Ger	neral and administrative	
	expens	ses	75,622,945
	total		320,153,100

(2) Unit labor cost for gas pipeline section

Annual unit labor cost for	V7 4 Emillion per person
gas pipeline section (calculated value)	¥7.45 million per person

(3) Expansion of Competitive bidding

•We will improve the efficiency of equipment and labor procurement with the target of competitive bidding rates for 30% by 2019.