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INTRODUCTION

This study compares gas sales statistics for calendar year 1997 with gas sales statistics for calendar year 1996 for the following public utilities furnishing gas service in Illinois.

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Consumers Gas Company
Illinois Gas Company
Illinois Power Company
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North Shore Gas Company
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The Peoples Gas, Light, & Coke Company
South Beloit Water, Gas & Electric Company
Union Electric Company
United Cities Gas Company

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ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE ONE
SUMMARY OF GAS SALES BY CLASS OF SERVICE

	REVENUE			THERMS			CUSTOMERS		
	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.
Residential Sales									
Without Space Heating	$57,917,764	$60,518,043	-4.30%	49,254,057	54,521,328	-9.66%	249,197	256,592	-2.88%
With Space Heating	2,515,468,632	2,438,717,989	3.15%	4,473,841,935	4,895,620,810	-8.62%	3,177,472	3,141,971	1.13%
Commercial and Industrial Sales									
Without Space Heating	$64,995,970	$76,034,745	-14.52%	127,951,564	188,468,604	-32.11%	14,172	13,598	4.22%
With Space Heating	703,309,057	690,599,425	1.84%	1,390,644,477	1,504,948,806	-7.60%	273,814	273,087	0.27%
Interruptible	9,010,144	6,181,459	45.76%	26,218,877	18,489,768	41.80%	174	167	4.19%
Other Sales to Public Authoritie	372,339	259,751	43.34%	593,476	471,333	25.91%	656	561	16.93%
Total Gas Sales To Ultimate Customers	$3,351,073,906	$3,272,311,412	2.41%	6,068,504,386	6,662,520,649	-8.92%	3,715,485	3,685,976	0.80%
Interdepartmental Sales	15,526,499	10,119,860	53.43%	52,561,397	33,327,115	57.71%	0	0	0.00%
Sales For Resale	13,274,242	396,797	3245.35%	51,438,480	851,470	5941.14%	6	2	200.00%
Total Gas Sales	$3,379,874,647	$3,282,828,069	2.96%	6,172,504,263	6,696,699,234	-7.83%	3,715,491	3,685,978	0.80%
Provisions for Rate Refund	0	0	0.00%						
Other Gas Operating Revenues	434,382,951	423,366,873	2.60%						
Total Gas Operating Revenues	$3,814,257,598	$3,706,194,942	2.92%						

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE ONE (Continued)
SUMMARY OF GAS SALES BY CLASS OF SERVICE
1997

CLASS OF SERVICE	SEE TABLE NUMBER	REVENUE PER THERM (CENTS)	PERCENT OF TOTAL SALES TO ULTIMATE CUSTOMERS		PERCENT OF TOTAL SALES OF GAS		PERCENT OF TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES
			REVENUE	THERMS	REVENUE	THERMS	
Residential Sales							
Without Space Heating	2	117.59	1.73	0.81	1.71	0.80	1.52
With Space Heating	3	56.23	75.06	73.72	74.42	72.48	65.95
Commercial and Industrial Sales							
Without Space Heating (Includes Seasonal Sales)	4	50.80	1.94	2.11	1.92	2.07	1.70
With Space Heating	5	50.57	20.99	22.92	20.81	22.53	18.44
Interruptible	6	34.37	0.27	0.43	0.27	0.42	0.24
Other Sales To Public Authorities	7	62.74	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Total Gas Sales To Ultimate Customers	8	55.22	100.00	100.00	99.14	98.31	87.86
Interdepartmental Sales	9	29.54			0.46	0.85	0.41
Sales For Resale	7a	25.81			0.39	0.83	0.35
Total Gas Sales	10	54.76			100.00	100.00	88.61
Provisions for Gas Refund	11						0.00
Other Gas Operating Revenues	12						11.39
Total Gas Operating Revenues	13						100.00

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE ONE (Continued)
REVENUE PER THERM BY CLASS OF SERVICE BY COMPANY
1997
(CENTS)

CLASS OF SERVICE	CILCO	CIPS	CONS GAS	ILL GAS	IL PWR	INTER ST PWR	MID AMER	MT CARMEL	NORTH SHORE	NO ILL GAS	PEOPLES GAS	SOUTH BELOIT	UNION ELECT	UNTD CITIES
Residential Sales														
Without Space Heating	127.03	86.88	0.00	78.18	86.47	86.89	104.91	62.07	79.07	93.47	128.47	75.71	66.33	0.00
With Space Heating	63.32	61.97	56.00	61.90	69.18	58.33	57.88	55.52	61.17	48.14	65.62	58.09	61.29	68.35
Commercial and Industrial Sales														
Without Space Heating (Includes Seasonal Sales)	45.81	257.07	0.00	53.16	43.67	48.95	48.44	59.01	57.42	42.84	62.44	69.00	53.93	0.00
With Space Heating	48.38	43.48	52.50	56.82	51.84	54.53	53.52	48.38	55.46	47.98	58.79	57.21	54.60	60.75
Interruptible	0.00	32.15	0.00	43.46	0.00	37.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	56.04	41.97	54.75
Other Sales To Public Authorities	67.58	0.00	49.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	61.71
Total Gas Sales To Ultimate Customers	57.61	56.91	54.73	57.22	62.35	56.05	56.16	52.93	60.32	48.11	66.02	58.63	58.38	65.86
Interdepartmental Sales	30.81	40.36	0.00	0.00	27.10	56.86	33.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	71.41	0.00	0.00
Sales For Resale	0.00	25.47	47.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Gas Sales	55.07	51.29	54.07	57.22	61.18	56.05	56.05	52.93	60.32	48.11	66.02	58.63	58.38	65.86

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE ONE (Continued)
REVENUE PER THERM BY CLASS OF SERVICE BY COMPANY
1996
(CENTS)

CLASS OF SERVICE	CILCO	CIPS	CONS GAS	ILL GAS	IL POWER	INTER ST PWR	MID AMER	MT CARMEL	NORTH SHORE	NO ILL GAS	PEOPLES GAS	SOUTH BELOIT	UNION ELECT	UNTD CITIES
Residential Sales														
Without Space Heating	116.83	105.41	0.00	72.28	63.19	76.19	103.04	53.39	79.31	89.98	122.50	48.97	57.17	0.00
With Space Heating	58.24	60.33	58.11	57.18	50.44	51.54	52.62	45.93	57.78	41.97	60.23	46.88	50.83	59.96
Commercial and Industrial Sales														
Without Space Heating (Includes Seasonal Sales)	31.68	80.71	0.00	45.74	39.16	46.05	44.35	50.14	56.85	34.83	58.87	44.63	43.59	0.00
With Space Heating	49.02	53.06	50.96	50.66	44.66	49.19	48.32	40.71	52.10	41.53	54.00	43.84	44.84	52.85
Interruptible	0.00	31.53	0.00	42.74	0.00	33.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	27.35	32.87	45.42
Other Sales To Public Authorities	0.00	0.00	50.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	57.53
Total Gas Sales To Ultimate Customers	54.81	57.16	55.42	52.68	47.57	49.98	50.89	44.14	56.97	41.84	60.66	44.44	48.01	57.67
Interdepartmental Sales	29.67	36.52	0.00	0.00	31.80	54.43	67.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.37	0.00	0.00
Sales For Resale	0.00	0.00	46.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Gas Sales	53.08	57.16	54.59	52.68	47.37	49.99	50.90	44.14	56.97	41.84	60.66	44.44	48.01	57.67

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE TWO
RESIDENTIAL SALES - WITHOUT SPACE HEATING

UTILITY	REVENUE 1997	REVENUE 1996	% CHG.	THERMS 1997	THERMS 1996	% CHG.	CUSTOMERS 1997	CUSTOMERS 1996	% CHG.
CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY	$746,639	$755,214	-1.14%	587,775	646,403	-9.07%	2,929	2,923	0.21%
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO	608,775	598,064	1.79%	700,720	567,358	23.51%	2,643	2,531	4.43%
ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	8,068	7,323	10.17%	10,320	10,131	1.87%	35	35	0.00%
ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY	2,747,499	2,831,670	-2.97%	3,177,350	4,481,250	-29.10%	7,239	7,177	0.86%
INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY	4,276	6,088	-29.76%	4,921	7,991	-38.42%	29	35	-17.14%
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	239,306	235,904	1.44%	228,116	228,953	-0.37%	1,688	1,753	-3.71%
MT CARMEL PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANY	52,318	54,880	-4.67%	84,290	102,782	-17.99%	200	223	-10.31%
NORTH SHORE GAS COMPANY	1,187,786	1,274,725	-6.82%	1,502,110	1,607,370	-6.55%	3,400	3,512	-3.19%
NORTHERN ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	6,591,329	6,183,143	6.60%	7,051,873	6,872,025	2.62%	45,762	47,230	-3.11%
PEOPLES GAS LIGHT & COKE COMPANY	45,293,982	48,210,548	-6.05%	35,257,340	39,356,650	-10.42%	184,121	190,040	-3.11%
SOUTH BELOIT WATER, GAS & ELECTRIC CO	57,804	33,606	72.00%	76,345	68,622	11.25%	130	107	21.50%
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY	379,982	326,878	16.25%	572,897	571,793	0.19%	1,021	1,026	-0.49%
TOTAL	$57,917,764	$60,518,043	-4.30%	49,254,057	54,521,328	-9.66%	249,197	256,592	-2.88%

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE TWO (Continued)
RESIDENTIAL SALES - WITHOUT SPACE HEATING

UTILITY	REVENUE PER THERM (Cents)			THERMS PER CUSTOMER			REVENUE PER CUSTOMER(Dollars)		
	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.
CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY	127.03	116.83	8.73%	201	221	-9.26%	$254.91	$258.37	-1.34%
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO	86.88	105.41	-17.58%	265	224	18.27%	230.33	236.30	-2.52%
ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	78.18	72.28	8.16%	295	289	1.87%	230.51	209.23	10.17%
ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY	86.47	63.19	36.85%	439	624	-29.70%	379.54	394.55	-3.80%
INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY	86.89	76.19	14.05%	170	228	-25.68%	147.45	173.94	-15.23%
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	104.91	103.04	1.81%	135	131	3.47%	141.77	134.57	5.35%
MT CARMEL PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANY	62.07	53.39	16.25%	421	461	-8.56%	261.59	246.10	6.29%
NORTH SHORE GAS COMPANY	79.07	79.31	-0.29%	442	458	-3.47%	349.35	362.96	-3.75%
NORTHERN ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	93.47	89.98	3.88%	154	146	5.91%	144.03	130.92	10.02%
PEOPLES GAS LIGHT & COKE COMPANY	128.47	122.50	4.87%	191	207	-7.54%	246.00	253.69	-3.03%
SOUTH BELOIT WATER, GAS & ELECTRIC CO	75.71	48.97	54.61%	587	641	-8.43%	444.65	314.07	41.57%
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY	66.33	57.17	16.02%	561	557	0.68%	372.17	318.59	16.82%
AVERAGE	117.59	111.00	5.94%	198	212	-6.98%	$232.42	$235.85	-1.46%

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE THREE
RESIDENTIAL SALES - WITH SPACE HEATING

UTILITY	REVENUE			THERMS			CUSTOMERS		
	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.
CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY	$123,693,190	$125,113,824	-1.14%	195,337,295	214,821,169	-9.07%	180,129	179,779	0.19%
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO	88,815,415	100,779,892	-11.87%	143,319,360	167,046,011	-14.20%	149,690	146,700	2.04%
CONSUMERS GAS COMPANY	2,685,181	3,009,739	-10.78%	4,795,240	5,179,320	-7.42%	5,301	5,317	-0.30%
ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	5,450,084	5,373,380	1.43%	8,804,657	9,397,501	-6.31%	9,128	9,087	0.45%
ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY	235,288,414	213,293,009	10.31%	340,089,990	422,868,834	-19.58%	352,317	351,209	0.32%
INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY	2,870,380	2,701,780	6.24%	4,920,585	5,242,047	-6.13%	4,706	4,647	1.27%
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	36,774,531	37,265,133	-1.32%	63,535,710	70,813,036	-10.28%	57,916	57,770	0.25%
MT CARMEL PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANY	1,663,036	1,494,024	11.31%	2,995,134	3,252,988	-7.93%	3,043	2,998	1.50%
NORTH SHORE GAS COMPANY	127,511,902	130,684,460	-2.43%	208,464,800	226,169,610	-7.83%	126,766	123,765	2.42%
NORTHERN ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	1,119,393,007	1,033,968,704	8.26%	2,325,369,516	2,463,558,357	-5.61%	1,649,226	1,624,284	1.54%
PEOPLES GAS LIGHT & COKE COMPANY	744,802,991	760,635,937	-2.08%	1,135,049,870	1,262,873,400	-10.12%	595,982	593,632	0.40%
SOUTH BELOIT WATER, GAS & ELECTRIC CO	3,040,171	2,597,200	17.06%	5,233,309	5,540,519	-5.54%	4,979	4,554	9.33%
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY	9,348,826	8,343,977	12.04%	15,252,659	16,416,162	-7.09%	15,793	15,782	0.07%
UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY	14,131,504	13,456,930	5.01%	20,673,810	22,441,856	-7.88%	22,496	22,447	0.22%
TOTAL	$2,515,468,632	$2,438,717,989	3.15%	4,473,841,935	4,895,620,810	-8.62%	3,177,472	3,141,971	1.13%

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE THREE (Continued)
RESIDENTIAL SALES - WITH SPACE HEATING

UTILITY	REVENUE PER THERM(Cents) 1997	1996	% CHG.	THERMS PER CUSTOMER 1997	1996	% CHG.	REVENUE PER CUSTOMER(Dollars) 1997	1996	% CHG.
CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY	63.32	58.24	8.73%	1,084	1,195	-9.25%	$686.69	$695.93	-1.33%
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO	61.97	60.33	2.72%	957	1,139	-15.92%	593.33	686.98	-13.63%
CONSUMERS GAS COMPANY	56.00	58.11	-3.64%	905	974	-7.14%	506.54	566.06	-10.51%
ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	61.90	57.18	8.26%	965	1,034	-6.73%	597.07	591.33	0.97%
ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY	69.18	50.44	37.16%	965	1,204	-19.83%	667.83	607.31	9.97%
INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY	58.33	51.54	13.18%	1,046	1,128	-7.31%	609.94	581.40	4.91%
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	57.88	52.62	9.99%	1,097	1,226	-10.50%	634.96	645.06	-1.57%
MT CARMEL PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANY	55.52	45.93	20.90%	984	1,085	-9.29%	546.51	498.34	9.67%
NORTH SHORE GAS COMPANY	61.17	57.78	5.86%	1,644	1,827	-10.01%	1,005.88	1,055.91	-4.74%
NORTHERN ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	48.14	41.97	14.70%	1,410	1,517	-7.04%	678.74	636.57	6.62%
PEOPLES GAS LIGHT & COKE COMPANY	65.62	60.23	8.95%	1,905	2,127	-10.48%	1,249.71	1,281.33	-2.47%
SOUTH BELOIT WATER, GAS & ELECTRIC CO	58.09	46.88	23.93%	1,051	1,217	-13.61%	610.60	570.31	7.06%
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY	61.29	50.83	20.59%	966	1,040	-7.15%	591.96	528.70	11.96%
UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY	68.35	59.96	13.99%	919	1,000	-8.08%	628.18	599.50	4.78%
AVERAGE	56.23	49.81	12.87%	1,408	1,558	-9.64%	$791.66	$776.17	1.99%

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE FOUR
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL SALES - WITHOUT SPACE HEATING (Includes Seasonal Sales)

UTILITY	REVENUE			THERMS			CUSTOMERS		
	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.
CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY	$4,069,184	$2,978,513	36.62%	8,882,691	9,403,323	-5.54%	821	902	-8.98%
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO	8,301,946	2,755,570	201.28%	3,229,500	3,414,289	-5.41%	879	905	-2.87%
ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	113,897	251,046	-54.63%	214,257	548,879	-60.96%	25	39	-35.90%
ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY	19,179,360	33,913,103	-43.45%	43,922,982	86,505,017	-49.28%	1,451	1,217	19.23%
INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY	68,393	99,305	-31.13%	139,726	215,641	-35.20%	35	34	2.94%
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	2,957,786	3,751,399	-21.16%	6,106,436	8,459,545	-27.82%	284	293	-3.07%
MT CARMEL PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANY	9,072	8,215	10.43%	15,373	16,384	-6.17%	24	26	-7.69%
NORTH SHORE GAS COMPANY	556,652	803,517	-30.72%	969,460	1,413,290	-31.40%	351	355	-1.13%
NORTHERN ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	22,460,040	20,207,788	11.15%	52,423,778	58,018,309	-9.64%	7,381	6,783	8.82%
PEOPLES GAS LIGHT & COKE COMPANY	5,148,203	9,155,423	-43.77%	8,245,220	15,552,370	-46.98%	2,724	2,837	-3.98%
SOUTH BELOIT WATER, GAS & ELECTRIC CO	370,023	211,607	74.86%	536,274	474,151	13.10%	62	53	16.98%
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY	1,761,394	1,899,259	-7.26%	3,265,867	4,357,406	-25.05%	135	154	-12.34%
TOTAL	$64,995,970	$76,034,745	-14.52%	127,951,564	188,468,604	-32.11%	14,172	13,598	4.22%

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE FOUR (Continued)
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL SALES - WITHOUT SPACE HEATING (Includes Seasonal Sales)

UTILITY	REVENUE PER THERM(Cents)			THERMS PER CUSTOMER			REVENUE PER CUSTOMER(Dollars)		
	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.
CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY	45.61	31.68	44.63%	10,819	10,425	3.78%	$4,956.38	$3,302.12	50.10%
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO	257.07	80.71	218.52%	3,674	3,773	-2.61%	9,444.76	3,044.83	210.19%
ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	53.16	45.74	16.23%	8,570	14,074	-39.10%	4,555.88	6,437.08	-29.22%
ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY	43.67	39.16	11.50%	30,271	71,154	-57.46%	13,218.04	27,866.15	-52.57%
INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY	48.95	46.05	6.29%	3,992	6,342	-37.06%	1,954.09	2,920.74	-33.10%
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	48.44	44.35	9.23%	21,502	28,872	-25.53%	10,414.74	12,803.41	-18.66%
MT CARMEL PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANY	59.01	50.14	17.69%	641	630	1.65%	378.00	315.96	19.63%
NORTH SHORE GAS COMPANY	57.42	56.85	0.99%	2,762	3,981	-30.62%	1,585.90	2,263.43	-29.93%
NORTHERN ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	42.84	34.83	23.01%	7,103	8,553	-16.96%	3,042.95	2,979.18	2.14%
PEOPLES GAS LIGHT & COKE COMPANY	62.44	58.87	6.06%	3,027	5,482	-44.78%	1,889.94	3,227.15	-41.44%
SOUTH BELOIT WATER, GAS & ELECTRIC CO	69.00	44.63	54.61%	8,650	8,946	-3.32%	5,968.11	3,992.58	49.48%
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY	53.93	43.59	23.74%	24,192	28,295	-14.50%	13,047.36	12,332.85	5.79%
AVERAGE	50.80	40.34	25.91%	9,028	13,860	-34.86%	$4,586.22	$5,591.61	-17.98%

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE FIVE
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL SALES - WITH SPACE HEATING

UTILITY	REVENUE			THERMS			CUSTOMERS		
	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.
CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY	$55,256,481	$47,386,569	16.61%	114,206,099	96,670,223	18.14%	16,231	15,931	1.88%
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO	28,013,363	39,339,169	-28.79%	64,434,320	74,137,438	-13.09%	16,579	16,275	1.87%
CONSUMERS GAS COMPANY	1,355,685	1,501,820	-9.73%	2,582,360	2,947,110	-12.38%	676	681	-0.73%
ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	2,146,853	1,914,254	12.15%	3,778,047	3,778,351	-0.01%	1,135	1,108	2.44%
ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY	77,811,956	84,661,695	-8.09%	150,114,184	189,575,061	-20.82%	32,870	32,930	-0.18%
INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY	1,483,160	1,331,962	11.35%	2,719,812	2,707,529	0.45%	438	438	0.00%
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	14,733,604	14,906,108	-1.16%	27,530,759	30,845,962	-10.75%	4,794	4,752	0.88%
MT CARMEL PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANY	920,371	812,194	13.32%	1,902,189	1,995,081	-4.66%	404	398	1.51%
NORTH SHORE GAS COMPANY	23,095,971	23,547,985	-1.92%	41,644,350	45,195,490	-7.86%	8,740	8,440	3.55%
NORTHERN ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	349,174,718	316,148,227	10.45%	727,752,202	761,164,490	-4.39%	145,685	145,765	-0.05%
PEOPLES GAS LIGHT & COKE COMPANY	140,089,615	150,584,206	-6.97%	238,269,370	278,873,930	-14.56%	42,646	42,842	-0.46%
SOUTH BELOIT WATER, GAS & ELECTRIC CO	1,163,828	1,048,362	11.01%	2,034,368	2,391,334	-14.93%	470	474	-0.84%
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY	2,171,482	1,873,591	15.90%	3,977,077	4,178,439	-4.82%	1,177	1,177	0.00%
UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY	5,891,970	5,543,283	6.29%	9,699,340	10,488,368	-7.52%	1,969	1,876	4.96%
TOTAL	$703,309,057	$690,599,425	1.84%	1,390,644,477	1,504,948,806	-7.60%	273,814	273,087	0.27%

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE FIVE (Continued)
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL SALES - WITH SPACE HEATING

UTILITY	REVENUE PER THERM(Cents)			THERMS PER CUSTOMER			REVENUE PER CUSTOMER(Dollars)		
	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.
CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY	48.38	49.02	-1.30%	7,036	6,068	15.96%	$3,404.38	$2,974.49	14.45%
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO	43.48	53.06	-18.07%	3,887	4,555	-14.68%	1,689.69	2,417.15	-30.10%
CONSUMERS GAS COMPANY	52.50	50.96	3.02%	3,820	4,328	-11.73%	2,005.45	2,205.32	-9.06%
ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	56.82	50.66	12.16%	3,329	3,410	-2.39%	1,891.50	1,727.67	9.48%
ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY	51.84	44.66	16.07%	4,567	5,757	-20.67%	2,367.26	2,570.96	-7.92%
INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY	54.53	49.19	10.85%	6,210	6,182	0.45%	3,386.21	3,041.01	11.35%
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	53.52	48.32	10.75%	5,743	6,491	-11.53%	3,073.34	3,136.81	-2.02%
MT CARMEL PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANY	48.38	40.71	18.85%	4,708	5,013	-6.07%	2,278.15	2,040.69	11.64%
NORTH SHORE GAS COMPANY	55.46	52.10	6.44%	4,765	5,355	-11.02%	2,642.56	2,790.05	-5.29%
NORTHERN ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	47.98	41.53	15.52%	4,995	5,222	-4.34%	2,396.78	2,168.89	10.51%
PEOPLES GAS LIGHT & COKE COMPANY	58.79	54.00	8.88%	5,587	6,509	-14.17%	3,284.94	3,514.87	-6.54%
SOUTH BELOIT WATER, GAS & ELECTRIC CO	57.21	43.84	30.49%	4,328	5,045	-14.20%	2,476.23	2,211.73	11.96%
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY	54.60	44.84	21.77%	3,379	3,550	-4.82%	1,844.93	1,591.84	15.90%
UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY	60.75	52.85	14.94%	4,926	5,591	-11.89%	2,992.37	2,954.84	1.27%
AVERAGE	50.57	45.89	10.21%	5,079	5,511	-7.84%	$2,568.57	$2,528.86	1.57%

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE SIX
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL SALES - INTERRUPTIBLE

UTILITY	REVENUE			THERMS			CUSTOMERS		
	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO	$6,857,784	$4,095,459	67.45%	21,330,210	12,991,072	64.19%	155	150	3.33%
ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	1,236,055	1,337,500	-7.58%	2,843,913	3,129,031	-9.11%	5	7	-28.57%
INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY	125,504	110,893	13.18%	336,486	329,784	2.03%	2	3	-33.33%
SOUTH BELOIT WATER, GAS & ELECTRIC CO	258,846	199,819	29.54%	461,935	730,632	-36.78%	6	2	200.00%
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY	494,181	410,651	20.34%	1,177,343	1,249,500	-5.77%	4	4	0.00%
UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY	37,774	27,137	39.20%	68,990	59,749	15.47%	2	1	100.00%
TOTAL	$9,010,144	$6,181,459	45.76%	26,218,877	18,489,768	41.80%	174	167	4.19%

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE SEVEN
OTHER SALES TO PUBLIC AUTHORITIES

	REVENUE			THERMS			CUSTOMERS		
UTILITY	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.
CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY	$153,705	$0	0.00%	227,436	0	0.00%	99	0	0.00%
CONSUMERS GAS COMPANY	29,451	77,166	-61.83%	59,460	153,970	-61.38%	1	1	0.00%
UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY	189,183	182,585	3.61%	306,580	317,363	-3.40%	556	560	-0.71%
TOTAL	$372,339	$259,751	43.34%	593,476	471,333	25.91%	656	561	16.93%

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE SEVEN-A
SALES FOR RESALE

	REVENUE			THERMS			AVERAGE NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS		
UTILITY	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO	$12,899,484	0	0.00%	50,654,810	0	0.00%	4	0	0.00%
CONSUMERS GAS COMPANY	374,758	396,797	-5.55%	783,670	851,470	-7.96%	2	2	0.00%
TOTAL	$13,274,242	$396,797	3245.35%	51,438,480	851,470	5941.14%	6	2	200.00%

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE EIGHT
TOTAL SALES TO ULTIMATE CONSUMERS

UTILITY	REVENUE			THERMS			CUSTOMERS		
	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.
CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY	$183,919,199	$176,234,120	4.36%	319,241,296	321,541,118	-0.72%	200,209	199,535	0.34%
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO	132,597,283	147,568,154	-10.15%	233,014,110	258,156,168	-9.74%	169,946	166,561	2.03%
CONSUMERS GAS COMPANY	4,070,317	4,588,725	-11.30%	7,437,060	8,280,400	-10.18%	5,978	5,999	-0.35%
ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	8,954,957	8,883,503	0.80%	15,651,194	16,863,893	-7.19%	10,328	10,276	0.51%
ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY	335,027,249	334,699,477	0.10%	537,304,506	703,520,162	-23.63%	393,877	392,533	0.34%
INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY	4,551,713	4,250,028	7.10%	8,121,530	8,502,992	-4.49%	5,210	5,157	1.03%
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	54,705,227	56,158,544	-2.59%	97,401,021	110,347,496	-11.73%	64,682	64,568	0.18%
MT CARMEL PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANY	2,644,797	2,369,313	11.63%	4,996,986	5,367,235	-6.90%	3,671	3,645	0.71%
NORTH SHORE GAS COMPANY	152,352,311	156,310,687	-2.53%	252,580,720	274,385,760	-7.95%	139,257	136,072	2.34%
NORTHERN ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	1,497,619,094	1,376,507,862	8.80%	3,112,597,369	3,289,613,181	-5.38%	1,848,054	1,824,062	1.32%
PEOPLES GAS LIGHT & COKE COMPANY	935,334,791	968,586,114	-3.43%	1,416,821,800	1,596,656,350	-11.26%	825,473	829,351	-0.47%
SOUTH BELOIT WATER, GAS & ELECTRIC CO	4,890,672	4,090,594	19.56%	8,342,231	9,205,258	-9.38%	5,647	5,190	8.81%
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY	14,155,865	12,854,356	10.13%	24,245,843	26,773,300	-9.44%	18,130	18,143	-0.07%
UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY	20,250,431	19,209,935	5.42%	30,748,720	33,307,336	-7.68%	25,023	24,884	0.56%
TOTAL	$3,351,073,906	$3,272,311,412	2.41%	6,068,504,386	6,662,520,649	-8.92%	3,715,485	3,685,976	0.80%

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE NINE
INTERDEPARTMENTAL SALES

UTILITY	REVENUE			THERMS			REVENUE PER THERM(Cents)		
	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.
CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY	$10,303,181	$7,053,404	46.07%	33,440,156	23,775,332	40.65%	30.81	29.67	3.86%
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO	25,044	21,203	18.12%	62,050	58,052	6.89%	40.36	36.52	10.50%
ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY	5,031,966	2,993,772	68.08%	18,569,484	9,415,540	97.22%	27.10	31.80	-14.78%
INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY	3,520	3,569	-1.37%	6,191	6,557	-5.58%	56.86	54.43	4.46%
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	162,101	47,302	242.69%	482,554	70,423	585.22%	33.59	67.17	-49.99%
SOUTH BELOIT WATER, GAS & ELECTRIC CO	687	610	12.62%	962	1,211	-20.56%	71.41	50.37	41.77%
TOTAL	$15,526,499	$10,119,860	53.43%	52,561,397	33,327,115	57.71%	29.54	30.37	-2.72%

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE TEN
TOTAL GAS SALES

UTILITY	REVENUE			THERMS			CUSTOMERS		
	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.
CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY	$194,222,380	$183,287,524	5.97%	352,681,452	345,316,450	2.13%	200,209	199,535	0.34%
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO	145,521,811	147,589,357	-1.40%	283,730,970	258,214,220	9.88%	169,950	166,561	2.03%
CONSUMERS GAS COMPANY	4,445,075	4,985,522	-10.84%	8,220,730	9,131,870	-9.98%	5,980	6,001	-0.35%
ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	8,954,957	8,883,503	0.80%	15,651,194	16,863,893	-7.19%	10,328	10,276	0.51%
ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY	340,059,215	337,693,249	0.70%	555,873,990	712,935,702	-22.03%	393,877	392,533	0.34%
INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY	4,555,233	4,253,597	7.09%	8,127,721	8,509,549	-4.49%	5,210	5,157	1.03%
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	54,867,328	56,205,846	-2.38%	97,883,575	110,417,919	-11.35%	64,682	64,568	0.18%
MT CARMEL PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANY	2,644,797	2,369,313	11.63%	4,996,986	5,367,235	-6.90%	3,671	3,645	0.71%
NORTH SHORE GAS COMPANY	152,352,311	156,310,687	-2.53%	252,580,720	274,385,760	-7.95%	139,257	136,072	2.34%
NORTHERN ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	1,497,619,094	1,376,507,862	8.80%	3,112,597,369	3,289,613,181	-5.38%	1,848,054	1,824,062	1.32%
PEOPLES GAS LIGHT & COKE COMPANY	935,334,791	968,586,114	-3.43%	1,416,821,800	1,596,656,350	-11.26%	825,473	829,351	-0.47%
SOUTH BELOIT WATER, GAS & ELECTRIC CO	4,891,359	4,091,204	19.56%	8,343,193	9,206,469	-9.38%	5,647	5,190	8.81%
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY	14,155,865	12,854,356	10.13%	24,245,843	26,773,300	-9.44%	18,130	18,143	-0.07%
UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY	20,250,431	19,209,935	5.42%	30,748,720	33,307,336	-7.68%	25,023	24,884	0.56%
TOTAL	$3,379,874,647	$3,282,828,069	2.96%	6,172,504,263	6,696,699,234	-7.83%	3,715,491	3,685,978	0.80%

UTILITY	TABLE ELEVEN PROVISIONS FOR GAS REFUND 1997	1996	% CHG	TABLE TWELVE OTHER GAS OPERATING REVENUES INCLUDING TRANSPORT GAS 1997	1996	% CHG	TABLE THIRTEEN TOTAL GAS OPERATING REVENUES INCLUDING TRANSPORT GAS 1997	1996	% CHG
CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY	$0	$0	0.00%	$24,838,309	$19,535,893	27.14%	$219,060,689	$202,823,417	8.01%
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO	0	0	0.00%	6,036,886	7,762,179	-22.23%	151,558,697	155,351,536	-2.44%
CONSUMERS GAS COMPANY	0	0	0.00%	349,203	310,602	12.43%	4,794,278	5,296,124	-9.48%
ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	0	0	0.00%	112,786	630,166	-82.10%	9,067,743	9,513,669	-4.69%
ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY	0	0	0.00%	13,839,974	10,457,061	32.35%	353,899,189	348,150,310	1.65%
INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY	0	0	0.00%	275,872	248,979	10.80%	4,831,105	4,502,576	7.30%
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	0	0	0.00%	4,976,270	4,904,664	1.46%	59,843,598	61,110,510	-2.07%
MT. CARMEL PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANY	0	0	0.00%	9,718	9,217	5.44%	2,654,515	2,378,530	11.60%
NORTH SHORE GAS COMPANY	0	0	0.00%	15,544,522	15,346,563	1.29%	167,896,833	171,657,250	-2.19%
NORTHERN ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	0	0	0.00%	232,926,682	233,718,706	-0.34%	1,730,545,776	1,610,226,568	7.47%
PEOPLES GAS LIGHT & COKE COMPANY	0	0	0.00%	134,438,142	129,544,369	3.78%	1,069,772,933	1,098,130,483	-2.58%
SOUTH BELOIT WATER, GAS & ELECTRIC CO.	0	0	0.00%	574,567	511,116	12.41%	5,465,926	4,602,320	18.76%
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY	0	0	0.00%	109,811	26,281	317.83%	14,265,676	12,880,637	10.75%
UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY	0	0	0.00%	350,209	361,077	-3.01%	20,600,640	19,571,012	5.26%
TOTAL	$0	$0	0.00%	$434,382,951	$423,366,873	2.60%	$3,814,257,598	$3,706,194,942	2.92%

ILLINOIS GAS UTILITIES
TABLE FOURTEEN
GAS TRANSPORTED FOR OTHERS

	REVENUE			M. C. F.			CUSTOMERS		
UTILITY	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.	1997	1996	% CHG.
CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY	$6,484,199	$8,338,356	-22.24%	21,489,490	20,702,685	3.80%	1,773	446	297.53%
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO	6,016,062	7,373,271	-18.41%	12,122,572	13,363,026	-9.28%	484	377	28.38%
CONSUMERS GAS COMPANY	151,789	136,746	11.00%	100,196	94,413	6.13%	1	1	0.00%
ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY	8,709,728	6,751,767	29.00%	30,851,436	25,085,617	22.98%	340	345	-1.45%
INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY	264,490	239,919	10.24%	396,770	336,584	17.88%	2	2	0.00%
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	2,450,123	2,262,873	8.27%	3,435,227	3,158,000	8.78%	55	42	30.95%
NORTH SHORE GAS COMPANY	14,588,170	14,320,706	1.87%	13,323,421	12,541,802	6.23%	1,702	1,651	3.09%
NORTHERN ILLINOIS GAS COMPANY	103,725,800	109,748,430	-5.49%	232,763,818	227,852,855	2.25%	21,342	20,351	4.87%
PEOPLES GAS LIGHT & COKE COMPANY	118,144,029	114,213,918	3.44%	92,330,803	98,128,392	-5.91%	9,357	9,525	-1.76%
SOUTH BELOIT WATER, GAS & ELECTRIC CO	518,158	473,101	9.52%	826,933	738,919	11.91%	29	26	11.54%
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY	102,371	22,415	356.71%	141,896	55,960	153.57%	19	19	0.00%
UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY	263,037	286,500	-8.19%	642,661	581,762	10.47%	3	3	0.00%
TOTAL	$261,417,956	$264,168,002	-1.04%	408,425,223	402,440,015	1.49%	35,107	32,788	7.07%