

Appendix A

Explanatory Notes

The Energy Information Administration (EIA) publishes monthly data for the supply and disposition of natural gas in the United States in the *Natural Gas Monthly (NGM)*. The information in this Appendix is provided to assist users in understanding the monthly data. Table A1 lists the methodologies for deriving the data to be published for the most recent months shown in Tables 1-3. The following explanatory notes describe sources for all *NGM* tables.

Note 1. Production

Annual Data

Natural gas production data are collected from 32 gas-producing States on the voluntary Form EIA-895 "Monthly Quantity and Value of Natural Gas Report." The form requests data on gross withdrawals, gas vented and flared, repressuring, nonhydrocarbon

Table A1. Methodology for Most Recent Monthly Natural Gas Supply and Disposition Data of Table 1-3

| Components | Reporting Methodology |
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| Supply and Disposition | |
| Marketed Production | Derived from the Short-Term Energy Outlook |
| Extraction Loss | Derived from Marketed Production |
| Dry Production | Marketed Production minus Extraction Loss |
| Withdrawals from Storage | Reported on Form EIA-191 |
| Supplemental Gaseous Fuels | Derived from supply estimates and coal gasification information |
| Imports | Estimated from National Energy Board of Canada information and liquefied natural gas information |
| Additions to Storage | Reported on Form EIA-191 |
| Exports | Estimated from industry trends and liquefied natural gas information |
| Current-Month Consumption | Reported on Form EIA-857, Form EIA-906, and other sources below. |
| Consumption by Sector | |
| Lease and Plant Fuel | Derived from Marketed Production |
| Pipeline Fuel | Derived from Deliveries to Consumers |
| Residential | Estimated from sample data reported on Form EIA-857 |
| Commercial | Estimated from sample data reported on Form EIA-857 |
| Industrial | Estimated from sample data reported on Form EIA-857 |
| Electric Power | Estimated from sample data reported on Form EIA-906 |
| Vehicle Fuel | Derived from annual estimates provided by the Coal, Nuclear and Renewable Fuels Division of EIA |