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 and 2. The following explanatory notes describe sources for all *NGM* tables.

Note 1. Production

Monthly Data

Estimates of gross withdrawals and marketed production for the lower-48 States are derived from submissions by well operators on the monthly Form EIA-914, "Monthly Natural Gas Production Report." Production volumes are collected specifically for

Table A1. Methodology for Most Recent Monthly Natural Gas Supply and Disposition Data of Tables 1 and 2

Components	Reporting Methodology
Supply and Disposition	
Marketed Production	Estimated from sample data reported on Form EIA-914
Extraction Loss	Derived from data reported on Form EIA-816
Dry Production	Marketed Production minus Extraction Loss
Withdrawals from Storage	Reported on Form EIA-191M
Supplemental Gaseous Fuels	Derived from supply estimates and coal gasification information
Imports	Derived from the Office of Fossil Energy; estimated from National Energy Board of Canada information and liquefied natural gas information
Additions to Storage	Reported on Form EIA-191M
Exports	Derived from the Office of Fossil Energy; estimated from industry trends and liquefied natural gas information
Current-Month Consumption	Reported on Form EIA-857, Form EIA-923, and other sources below
Consumption by Sector	
Lease and Plant Fuel	Derived from Marketed Production
Pipeline and Distribution Use	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, Form EIA-920, and, beginning in January 2008, Form EIA-923
Vehicle Fuel	EIA computations