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### **Natural Gas**

Xcel Energy maintains a highly reliable, low-cost, 60 psi natural gas distribution system with two four-inch mains serving the New Richmond Business and Technical Park. The natural gas infrastructure is connected to a town border station which is located approximately one mile from the park, and is able to accommodate additional throughput. The natural gas infrastructure is also connected to two different natural gas transportation pipelines allowing Xcel Energy to access natural gas from multiple sources.

Xcel Energy's regulatory agency also allows for the allocation of non-refundable extension credits to offset costs associated with natural gas extensions. Extension credits are determined based on an estimate of the facilities annual therm use. Xcel Energy also provides both firm and interruptible rate options for customers who choose the company's distribution service or choose to procure their own supply.

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