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**Subpart A—General Provisions and Conditions**

**§ 284.1 Definitions.**

(a) *Transportation* includes storage, exchange, backhaul, displacement, or other methods of transportation.

(b) *Appropriate state regulatory agency* means a state agency which regulates intrastate pipelines and local distribution companies within such state. When used in reference to rates and charges, the term includes only those agencies which set rates and charges on a cost-of-service basis.

(c) *Market center* means an area where gas purchases and sales occur at the intersection of different pipelines.

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**§ 284.2 Refunds and interest.**

(a) *Refunds*. Any rate or charge collected for any sale, transportation, or assignment conducted pursuant to this part which exceeds the rates or charges authorized by this part shall be refunded.

(b) *Interest*. All refunds made pursuant to this section must include interest at an amount determined in accordance with § 154.501(d) of this chapter.

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**§ 284.3 Jurisdiction under the Natural Gas Act.**

(a) For purposes of section 1(b) of the Natural Gas Act, the provisions of such Act and the jurisdiction of the Commission under such Act shall not apply to any transportation or sale in interstate commerce of natural gas if such a transaction is authorized pursuant to section 311 or 312 of the NGPA.

(b) For purposes of the Natural Gas Act, the term "natural gas company" (as defined by section 2(6) of such Act) shall not include any person by reason of, or with respect to, any transaction involving natural gas if the provisions of the Natural Gas Act do not apply to