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QUESTION 18

The figure below shows web-presentment data of an actual PG&E gas customer. Based on this figure, it appears that gas consumption is only displayed to a resolution of 1 therm. Is this correct for all customers?



ANSWER 18

Although it appears on the screen-print that gas consumption is only displayed to a resolution of 1 therm, web presentment for all customers actually details gas consumption in therms to a hundredths' place precision, e.g., 1.01 therms. More specifically, when the mouse hovers over the bar in the chart, the chart will display the gas consumption up to two decimal places.

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ANSWER 18 -- SUPPLEMENTAL

The original January 14, 2011 response to this data request is provided above. DRA subsequently noted that, based on this explanation, the usage for 11/15 in the figure given would be 0.00, when the customer in fact used more than .01 SCF of gas on that day.

PG&E agrees with DRA that the screen-print would not show the .01 SCF of gas used by the customer on 11/15. For customers with very low usage (less than 1 therm of usage), the web presentment charts are rounded to whole therms. However, as noted in the original answer, a customer can receive more exact usage data by hovering the mouse over the respective bar on the chart.