

**NICOR GAS
ROE History
(in millions)**

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Exhibit 7

	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Net Income (as reported)	100.9	75.0	59.6	66.3	58.6	53.5	62.1	
Mercury-related (costs)/recoveries	-	-	(0.4)	4.8	2.2	-	-	
Bad debt recovery	19.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Weather colder/(warmer) than normal	2.4	7.1	8.5	(0.4)	(10.5)	(0.3)	(4.7)	
Net Income (as adjusted)	79.3	67.9	51.5	61.9	66.9	53.8	66.8	
Equity at year end	648.8	664.0	654.0	654.5	661.4	654.7	638.1	625.1
Average Equity	656.4	659.0	654.3	658.0	658.1	646.4	631.6	
ROE	12.08%	10.30%	7.87%	9.41%	10.17%	8.32%	10.58%	
Authorized ROE (based on revenue spread)	10.17%	10.33%	10.51%	10.51%	10.51%	10.96%	11.13%	

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