principal amount shall be the amount (increased, if necessary, to the next largest even multiple of \$1,000) equal to the quotient resulting from dividing (i) the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds of the 1989 Series outstanding on such December 1 by (ii) the number which is 41 more than the number of remaining interest payment dates; and

(b) if the number of remaining interest payment dates is less than seven, such principal amount shall be the amount (increased, if necessary, to the next largest even multiple of \$1,000) constituting the respective portion stated below of the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds of the 1989 Series outstanding on such December 1:

Number of Remaining Interest Payment Dates	Portion of Outstanding Bonds to be Redeemed on The Next Following	
	April 15	October 15
6	$1/47 \mathrm{th}$	$1/5 ext{th}$
5	1/5	1/5
4	1/4	1/4
3	1/3	1/3
2	1/2	1/2
1	Entire Amount	

provided that, unless the certificate of available gas supply filed for any December 1 shall be signed by an independent engineer, the principal amount of Bonds of the 1989 Series to be retired on the two interest payment dates next succeeding such December 1 shall not be less than the principal amount required by the provisions of this paragraph (C) to have been retired on the two interest payment dates next preceding such December 1, and provided further that the principal amount of Bonds of the 1989 Series required by the provisions of this paragraph (C) to be retired on any interest payment date on which any Bonds of the 1975 Series or the 1976 Series shall be outstanding shall not exceed the maximum amount which may be required to be retired on that date