

General Service Provisions (Continued)

5. METERING

- a. The Customer shall provide a suitable location satisfactory to the Company for its metering equipment. This location shall be convenient and accessible at all reasonable times to the Company's meter readers, other employees and agents. This location shall conform with all local, State and Federal requirements and with the rules of the National Fire Protection Association.
- b. The representatives of the Company shall be given access to the premises of the Customer at all reasonable hours for obtaining meter readings, for shutting off the flow of gas for reasons herein prescribed, for inspection of piping and appliances, and for inspecting, removing, repairing, protecting, or preventing or terminating any illegal use of the property of the Company installed on the premises. Access shall be granted at all times for emergency purposes.
- c. The Company may shut off service to the meter if a customer refuses reasonable requests for access to the meter or other equipment after the Company has sent at least three notices requesting access, and alerts the customer that service may be shut off. If the service is shut off, the Company reserves the right to charge a service restoration charge equal to the restoration charge in Appendix A that applies for discontinuance of service.
- d. The Customer shall be liable to the Company for damage to or loss of meters, connections, or other Company property on the premises served due to negligence or want of care on the part of the Customer, members of his household, his agents, his employees, his tenants, or occupants of the premises.
- e. In accordance with Section 15, RELOCATION OF ALTERATION OF COMPANY-OWNED FACILITIES, the costs associated with moving an existing meter either requested or necessitated by an action of the customer, or owner of the property if the customer is lessee, shall be borne by the customer. In the event the customer requests an estimate for the cost of relocating an existing meter, the Company shall provide an estimate range of such costs based on actual data for a previous twelve month period, and also the option for a customer-specific estimate at a cost as specified in Appendix A which shall be due and payable along with the customer's bill for gas usage. This fee shall be credited to the customer's account upon completion of the meter relocation by the Company.
- f. See Section 1, b (7) for Measurement Base.

6. SUBMETERING

- a. Gas furnished to customers shall be for their own use, however any customer, where permitted by regulations promulgated by the Commission, may install submetering equipment or use an energy allocation methodology, for the purpose of fairly allocating amounts billed to customers as appropriate, in accordance with such regulations.
- b. Natural gas that is ultimately used as a vehicular fuel may be remetered or submetered by the customer for the purpose of selling or charging for gas service to another or to others either directly or indirectly.
- c. All submetering equipment shall be subject to the same regulations and standards established by the Commission for accuracy, testing, and record keeping of meters installed by gas utilities, and shall be subject to the meter requirements of Section 56-245.1 of the Code of Virginia.

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