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## SECTION 6 SERVICE LINES AND ESTABLISHMENTS

## A. Priority and Timing of Service Establishments

- 1. After the Applicant has complied with the Company's application requirements and has been accepted for service by the Company, and obtained all required permits and/or inspections indicating that the Customer's facilities comply with local construction, safety and governmental standards or regulations, the Company will schedule that Customer for service establishment.
- 2. All charges are due and payable before the Company will schedule the Customer for service establishment.
- 3. Service establishments will be scheduled for completion within five (5) business days of the date the Customer has been accepted for service, except in those instances when the Customer requests service establishment beyond the five (5) business day limitation.
- 4. When the Company has made arrangements to meet with a Customer for service establishment purposes and the Company or the Customer cannot make the appointment during the prearranged time, the Company will reschedule the service establishment to the satisfaction of both parties.
- 5. The Company will schedule service establishment appointments within a maximum range of four (4) hours during normal business hours, unless another timeframe is mutually acceptable to both the Company and the Customer.
- 6. Service establishments will be made only by the Company.
- 7. For the purposes of the rule, service establishments are where the Customer's facilities are ready and acceptable to the Company and the Company needs only to install or read a meter or turn the service on.

### B. Service Lines

- 1. Customer provided facilities
  - a. Each Applicant for services will be responsible for all inside wiring including the service entrance and meter socket. For three-phase service, the Customer will provide, at the Customer's expense, all facilities including conductors and conduit, beyond the Company-designated point of delivery.
  - b. Meters and service switches in conjunction with the meter will be installed in a location where the meters will be readily and safely accessible for reading, testing and inspection, where these activities will cause the least interference and inconvenience to the Customer. Location of metering facilities will be determined by the Company and may or may not be at the same location as the point of delivery. However, the meter locations will not be on the front exterior wall of the home, or in the carport or garage unless mutually agreed to between the Customer or homebuilder and the Company. Without cost to the Company, the Customer must provide, at a suitable and easily accessible location, sufficient and proper space for the installation of meters.

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- c. Where the meter or service line location on the Customer's premises is changed at the request of the Customer or due to alterations on the Customer's premises, the Customer must provide and have installed, at the Customer's expense, all wiring and equipment necessary for relocating the meter and service line connection. The Company will charge the Customer for moving the meter and/or service lines.
- d. Customer will provide access to a main switch or breaker for disconnecting load to enable safe installation and removal of Company meters.

## 2. Company-Provided Facilities

- a. The Company will provide, at no charge, an overhead service line up to five hundred fifty (550) feet for each Customer. In areas where the Company maintains an underground distribution system, the Company will provide, install, and connect, at no charge, underground service cable up to five hundred fifty (550) feet for each residential Customer.
- b. The cost of any service line in excess of that allowed under 2.a. above will be paid for by the Customer as a contribution in aid of construction.
- c. A Customer requesting an underground service line in an area served by overhead facilities will pay for the difference between estimated cost of an equivalent overhead service connection and the actual cost of the underground connection as a non-refundable contribution.

### 3. Overhead Service Connection – Secondary Service

- a. For the initial service drop: Where the Company's distribution pole line is located on the Customer's premises, or on a street, highway, lane, alley, road, or private easement immediately contiguous thereto, the Company will, at its own expense, furnish and install a single span of service drop line (up to 550 feet in total) from its pole to the Customer's point of attachment, provided that this point of attachment is at the point of delivery and is of a type and so located that the service drop wires may be installed in a manner approved by the Company in accordance with good engineering practice, and in compliance with all applicable laws, ordinances, Rules and Regulations, including those governing clearances and points of attachment.
- b. Whenever any of the clearances required by the applicable laws, ordinances, rules or regulations of public authorities or standards of the Company from the service drops to the ground or any object becomes impaired by reason of any changes made by the owner or tenant of the premises, the Customer will, at his own expense, provide a new and approved support, in a location approved by the Company, for the termination of the Company's service drop wires and will also provide all service entrance corridors and equipment necessitated by the change of location.
- c. The cost of any service line footage, in excess of that allowed at no charge, will be paid for by the Customer as a contribution in aid of construction.

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d. For each overhead service connection, the Customer will furnish at their own expense a set of service entrance conductors that will extend from the point of service delivery at the point of termination of the

Company's service drop on the Customer's support to the Customer's main disconnect switch. These service entrance conductors will be of a type and be in an enclosure that meets with the approval of the Company and any inspection authorities having jurisdiction.

4. Underground Service Connections – Secondary Service

- a. In areas where the Company maintains an underground distribution system, individual services will be underground.
- b. The cost of any underground service line footage, in excess of that allowed at no charge, will be paid for by the Customer and will be treated as a contribution in aid of construction.
- c. Whenever the Company's underground distribution system is not complete to the point designated by the Company where the service lateral is to be connected to the distribution system, the system may be extended in accordance with Section 7.
- d. For an initial underground service connection of single-phase service, the Company will install a service lateral from its distribution line to the Customer's Company-approved termination facilities under the following conditions (unless otherwise agreed to by the Company and the Applicant):
  - (i) The Customer, at his expense, will provide the necessary trenching, conduit, conduit installation, backfill, landscape restoration and paving and will also furnish, install, own and maintain termination facilities on or within the building to be served.
- e. The Company, at its expense (up to 550 feet in total), will furnish, install, own and maintain the underground single-phase cables to Customer's Company-approved termination facilities.
- f. The Company will determine the minimum size and type of conduit and conductor for the single-phase service. The Customer will furnish and install the conduit system, including suitable pull ropes as specified by the Company. The ownership of this conduit or duct will be conveyed to the Company, and the Company will thereafter maintain the conduit or duct. The maximum length of any lateral conductor will be determined by the Company in accordance with accepted engineering practice in determining voltage drop, voltage flicker, and other relevant considerations.
- g. For three-phase service, the Customer will provide, at the Customer's expense, all facilities, including conductors and conduit, beyond the Company-designated point of delivery.

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### C. Easements and Rights-of-Way

- 1. At no cost to the Company, each Customer will grant adequate easements and rights-of-way that are satisfactory to ensure proper service connection and any additional easements and rights-of-way as may be necessary for electric system reliability. Failure on the part of the Customer to grant adequate easement and right-of-way will be grounds for the Company to refuse service.
- 2. When the Company discovers that a Customer or the Customer's Agent is performing work, has constructed facilities or has allowed vegetation to grow adjacent to or within an easement or right-of-way and this work, construction, vegetation or facility poses a hazard or is in violation of federal, state or local laws, ordinances, statutes, Rules or Regulations, or significantly interferes with the Company's access to equipment, the Company will notify the Customer or the Customer's Agent and will take whatever actions are necessary to eliminate the hazard, obstruction or violation at the Customer's expense.

#### D. Number of Services to be Installed

Unless otherwise provided herein, or in a Rate or contract, the Company will not install more than one service, either overhead or underground, for any one building or group of buildings on a single premise. Separate services may be installed for separate buildings or group of buildings where necessary for the operating convenience of the Company, where provided for in the Rates, or where required by law or local ordinance.

### F. Multiple Service Points

Unless otherwise expressly provided herein, or in a Rate or contract, any person, firm, corporation, agency or other organization or governmental body receiving service from the Company at more than one location or for more than one separately operated business will be considered as a separate Customer at each location and for each business. If several buildings are occupied and used by a Customer in the operation of a single business, then the Company, upon proper application, will furnish service for the entire group of buildings through one service connection at one point of delivery, provided all of these buildings are at one location on the same lot or tract, or on adjoining lots or tracts that form a contiguous site (not separated by any public streets) wholly owned, or controlled, and occupied by the Customer in the operation of this single business. Dwelling units will be served, metered and billed separately, except at the option of the Company.

### F. **Temporary Service**

For service that is temporary in nature or for operations of a speculative character or questionable permanency the Customer will be charged the Company's estimated cost of installing and removing the service.

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G. **Customer-Owned Cable** 

When a residential Customer's privately owned underground service cable has failed, the Customer has two (2)

- 1. The Customer can have their cable repaired by a private electrical contractor which must comply with local governmental codes and ordinances; or
- 2. The Customer can bring their service entrance up to current Company standards. The Customer will be required to provide a service trench, conduit, conduit installation, backfill, landscape restoration and paving. The Company will furnish, install, own and maintain its underground single-phase cables to the Customer's Company-approved Point of Delivery.

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