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SECTION 7 LINE EXTENSIONS

Introduction

The Company will construct, own, operate and maintain lines along public streets, roads and highways which the Company has the legal right to occupy, and on public lands and private property across which rights-of-way and easements satisfactory to the Company may be obtained without cost to or condemnation by the Company.

A request for electric service often requires the construction of new distribution lines of varying distances. The distances and cost vary widely depending upon Customer's location and load size. With such a wide variation in extension requirements, it is necessary to establish conditions under which the Company will extend its electric facilities.

All extensions are subject to the availability of adequate capacity, voltage and Company facilities at the beginning point of an extension, as determined by the Company.

A standard policy has been adopted to provide service to Customers whose requirements are deemed by the Company to be economical and ordinary in nature.

All extensions are made on the basis of economic feasibility. Footage and revenue basis are offered below for use in circumstances where feasibility is generally accepted because of the number of extensions made within these footage and dollar units.

In unusual circumstances, when the application of the provisions of this policy appear impractical, or in case Customer's requirements exceed 100 kW, the Company will make a special study of the conditions to determine the basis on which service may be rendered.

- A. General Requirements
 - 1. Upon request by an Applicant for a line extension, the Company will prepare without charge, a preliminary electric design and a rough estimate of the cost of installation, if any, to be paid by said Applicant.
 - 2. Any Applicant for a line extension requesting the Company to prepare detailed plans, specifications, or cost estimates will be required to make a non-refundable deposit with the Company in an amount equal to the estimated cost of preparation. The Company will make available within ninety (90) days after receipt of the deposit referred to above, those plans, specifications, and cost estimates for the proposed line extension. Where the Applicant authorizes the Company to proceed with construction of the extension, the deposit will be credited to the cost of construction. If the extension is to include over-sizing of facilities to be done at the Customer's expense, appropriate details will be set forth in the plans, specifications, or cost estimates. Developers providing the Company with approved plats will be provided with plans, specifications, or cost estimates within ninety (90) days after receipt of the deposit referred to above.

The Company will provide a copy of the Line Extension policy prior to the Applicant's acceptance of the utility's extension agreement.

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- 3. All line extension agreements requiring payment of an advance by the Applicant will be in writing and signed by each party.
- 4. The provisions of this rule apply only to those Applicants who, in the Company's judgment, will be permanent Customers of the Company. Applications for temporary service will be governed by the Company's Rules concerning temporary service applications. The Company reserves the right to delay the extension of facilities until the satisfactory completion of required site improvements, as determined by the Company, and an approved service entrance to accept electric service has been installed.
- B. Minimum Written Agreement Requirements
 - 1. Each line extension agreement must, at a minimum, include the following information:
 - a. Name and address of Applicant(s);
 - b. Proposed service address(es) or location(s);
 - c. Description of requested service;
 - d. Description and sketch of the requested line extension;
 - e. A cost estimate to include material costs, labor costs, overhead costs, and any other costs as necessary.
 - f. Payment terms;
 - g. A concise explanation of any refunding provisions, if applicable;
 - h. The Company's estimated start date and completion date for construction of the line extension; and
 - i. A summary of the results of the economic feasibility analysis performed by the Company to determine the amount of the advance required from the Applicant for the proposed line extension.
 - 2. Each Applicant will be provided with a copy of the written line extension agreement.



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- C. Line Extension Requirements
 - 1. Overhead Extensions to Individual Residential Applicants
 - a. Line Extension Allowance

Upon the Applicant's satisfactory completion of required site improvements, the Company will make singlephase extensions from its existing facilities of proper voltage and adequate capacity at the Company's expense up to five hundred fifty (550) feet. The distance of five hundred fifty (550) feet is to be measured by the shortest feasible route along public streets, roads, highways, or suitable easements from the existing facilities to the Applicant's nearest point of delivery and inclusive of the service drop and is for initial site improvements, as determined by the Company, only.

b. Extensions in Excess of Line Extension Allowance Distance

The Company will make extensions in excess of five hundred fifty (550) feet per Customer upon receipt of a non-interest bearing, refundable cash deposit with the Company to cover the estimated costs of construction for the pro-rata share of the single-phase extension length over five hundred fifty (550) feet, for voltages up to 21kV.

The Company will install, own and maintain, on an individual project basis, the distribution facilities necessary to provide permanent service.

- c. Method of Refund
 - i. Deposit refunds will be made to a depositor when separately metered Customers are served directly from the line extension originally constructed to serve said depositor, providing the new line extension is less than five hundred fifty (550) feet in distance, and the Customer to be served occupies a permanent structure designed for continued occupancy for either residential or business purposes, meeting established municipal, county or state codes as applicable.

The amount of the deposit refund will be equal to the estimated 'Cost per Foot' for the line extension project rate multiplied by five hundred fifty (550) feet less the actual footage of the new line extension required to serve the new Customer.

In no event will the total of the refund payments made by the Company to a depositor be in excess of the deposit amount advanced.

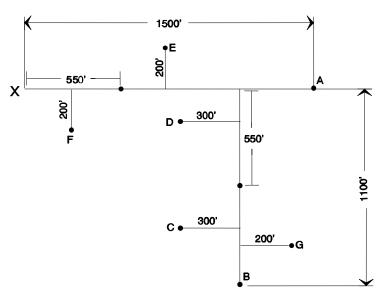
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A pictorial explanation of the method of refund for a single-phase line extension is as follows (assume the 'Cost per Foot' rate for this Line Extension is \$15.00 per foot):



- Applicant "A" Customer makes refundable advance of \$14,250 for footage over 550' at \$15.00/foot.
- Applicant "B" Customer makes refundable advance of \$8,250 for footage over 550' at \$15.00/foot. No refund to A for B's connection because B is over 550'.
- Applicant "C" Customer gets line at no cost. Refund goes to B at \$15.00 x 250', or \$3,750 because C ties directly into B's line and is less than 550'.
- Applicant "D" Customer gets line at no cost. Refund goes to B at \$15.00 x 250', or \$3,750, because it ties directly into B's line and is less than 550'.
- Applicant "E" Customer gets line at no cost. Refund goes to A at \$15.00 x 350', or \$5,250 because E ties directly into A's line and is less than 550'.
- Applicant "F" Customer gets line at no cost. Refund goes to A at \$15.00 x 350', or \$5,250 because F ties directly into A's line and is less than 550'.
- Applicant "G" Customer gets line at no cost. Refund goes to B at \$15.00 x 350', or \$5,250; however, B receives \$750 since this is the remaining balance of the initial deposit net of refunds. Total refunds cannot exceed the amount of the initial advance.



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- Note: The dollars in the example above are illustrative. This method requires that: a) The deposit advance made for an initial line extension cannot be refunded to the depositor unless a new line extension required to serve a new separately metered Customer is directly connected to the initial line extension; and b) the new line extension is less than 550 feet in length.
 - ii. Payment of eligible refunds will be made within ninety (90) days following receipt of notification to the Company that a qualifying permanent Customer has commenced receiving service from an extension.
 - iii. A Customer may request an annual survey to determine if additional Customers have been connected to and are using service from the extension.
 - iv. After a period of five (5) years from the date the Company is initially ready to render service from an extension, the Company will review the deposit and make appropriate refunds then due, if any. Any unrefunded amount remaining thereafter will become the property of the Company and will no longer be eligible for refund and will become a contribution in aid of construction.
- 2. Underground Facilities to Individual Residential Applicants
 - a. Underground line extensions will generally be made only where mutually agreed upon by the Company and the Applicant, or in areas where the Company does maintain underground distribution facilities for its operating convenience.
 - b. Underground extensions will be owned, operated and maintained by the Company, provided the Applicant pays in advance a non-refundable sum equal to the estimated difference between the cost, exclusive of meters and services, of the underground extension and an estimated equivalent overhead extension cost for voltages up to 21kV.
 - c. In addition to the non-refundable sum, the Applicant will (unless otherwise agreed to by the Company and the Applicant) make such refundable deposit (for voltages up to 21kV) in accordance with Subsection 7.C. as otherwise would have been required under these Rules and Regulations if the extension had been made by overhead construction.
 - d. Refunds of cash deposits will be made in the same manner as provided for overhead extensions to individual Applicants for service, in accordance with the applicable provisions of Subsection 7.C.
 - e. Underground services will be installed, owned, operated and maintained as provided in Section 6 of these Rules and Regulations.



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- 3. Extensions to Non-Residential Customers
 - a. Line Extensions less than 21kV
 - i. For line extensions with voltages less than or equal to 21kV, the Company will install, own and maintain, on an individual project basis, the distribution facilities necessary to provide permanent service to a non-residential Customer. Prior to the installation of facilities, the Customer will be required to make a refundable non-interest-bearing cash advance to the Company for the estimated project cost less an allowance equal to 50% of the estimated two year Revenue. If the total of such charge is less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), the charge will be waived by the Company.
 - ii. Upon completion of construction of the Company's facilities the total actual cost of the project will be compared to the total estimated cost advanced by the Applicant, and any difference will be either billed or refunded within ninety (90) days to the Customer.
 - iii. After the initial twenty-four (24) month billing period the Company will compare the actual Revenue to the allowance, and any difference will be either billed or refunded within ninety (90) days to the Customer.
 - iv. In no event shall the total of the refund payments made by the Company to the depositor be in excess of the deposit amount advanced.
 - v. No refunds will be made after a period of two (2) years subsequent to the completion of construction of the Company's facilities. Any un-refunded amount remaining at the end of the two (2) year period will become the property of the Company and a nonrefundable contribution in aid of construction.
 - vi. 550 foot line extension allowance does not apply.
 - b. Line Extensions greater than 21kV to 69kV
 - i. For line extensions with voltages greater than 21kV and less than or equal to 69kV, the Company will install, own and maintain, on an individual project basis, the distribution facilities necessary to provide permanent service to a non-residential Customer. Prior to the installation of facilities, the Customer will be required to make a refundable non-interest-bearing cash advance to the Company for the estimated project cost less an allowance equal to 50% of the estimated one year Revenue. If the total of such charge is less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), the charge will be waived by the Company.
 - ii. Upon completion of construction of the Company's facilities the total actual cost of the project will be compared to the total estimated cost advanced by the Applicant, and any difference will be either billed or refunded within ninety (90) days to the Customer.
 - iii. After the initial twelve (12) month billing period the Company will compare the actual Revenue to the allowance, and any difference will be either billed or refunded within ninety (90) days to the Customer.



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- iv. In no event shall the total of the refund payments made by the Company to the depositor be in excess of the deposit amount advanced.
- v. No refunds will be made after a period of two (2) years subsequent to the completion of construction of the Company's facilities. Any un-refunded amount remaining at the end of the two (2) year period will become the property of the Company and a nonrefundable contribution in aid of construction.
- vi. 550 foot line extension allowance does not apply.
- 4. Residential Subdivision Developers
 - a. General

Required distribution facilities up to and within a new duly recorded residential subdivision, including subdivision plats which are activated subsequent to their recordation, for permanent service to single and/or multi-family residences and/or unmetered area lighting, will be constructed, owned, operated and maintained by the Company in advance of applications for service by permanent Customers only after the Company and the Applicant have entered into a written contract ("Subdivision Agreement"), which (unless otherwise agreed to by the Company and the Applicant) provides that:

- i. The total estimated installed cost of such overhead distribution facilities, exclusive of meters, services and exclusive of other costs as may be deemed as reasonable by the Company, will be advanced to the Company as a refundable non-interest bearing cash deposit to cover the Company's cost of construction.
- ii. Refundable advances will become non-refundable at such time and in such manner as provided in Subsection 7.C.4.b.
- iii. Upon completion of construction of the Company's facilities the total actual cost of the project will be compared to the total estimated cost advanced by the Applicant, and any difference will be either billed or refunded within ninety (90) days to the Customer.
- iv. Where applicable, if distribution facilities must be constructed in excess of an average of five hundred fifty (550) feet per new permanent Customer within a duly recorded residential subdivision, a nonrefundable cash amount equal to that portion of the total estimated installed cost represented by those required line facilities in excess of five hundred fifty (550) feet per Customer average will be paid to the Company.



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- v. Underground Installations Extensions of single-phase underground distribution lines necessary to furnish permanent electric service to new residential buildings or mobile homes within a subdivision, in which facilities for electric service have not been constructed, for which applications are made by a developer will be installed underground in accordance with the provisions set forth in this regulation except where it is not feasible from an engineering, operational, or economic standpoint. Extensions of single-phase underground distribution lines necessary to furnish permanent electric service within a new single family and/or multi-family residential subdivision will be made by the Company in advance of receipt of applications for service by permanent Customers in accordance with the following provisions (unless otherwise agreed to by the Company and the Applicant):
 - 1) The subdivider or other Applicant will provide the trenching, bedding, conduit, backfill (including any imported backfill required), compaction, repaving and any earthwork for pull boxes and equipment and transformer pad sites required in accordance with the Company's specifications and subject to the Company's inspection and approval.
 - 2) Right-of-way and easements satisfactory to the Company will be furnished by the Developer at no cost to the Company and in reasonable time to meet service requirements. No underground electric facilities will be installed by the Company until the final grades have been established and furnished to the Company. In addition the easements, alleys and/or streets must be graded to within six (6) inches of final grade by the Developer before the Company will commence construction. Such clearance and grading must be maintained by the Developer. If, subsequent to construction, the clearance or grade is changed in such a way as to require relocation of underground facilities or results in damage to such facilities, the cost of such relocation and/or resulting repairs will be borne by the developer.
 - 3) If armored cable or special cable covering is required, the Customer or developer will make a non-refundable contribution equal to the additional cost of such cable or covering.
 - 4) Underground service lines will be installed, owned, operated and maintained as provided in Section 6 of these Rules and Regulations.
 - 5) Any underground electric distribution system requiring more than single-phase service is not governed by this Subsection, but rather will be constructed pursuant to Subsection 7.C.7.
- vi. Underground extensions up to the duly recorded Subdivision will be owned, operated and maintained by the Company, provided the Applicant pays a non-refundable sum equal to the estimated difference between the cost of the underground extension and an equivalent estimated cost of an overhead extension.



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- b. Method of Refund
 - i. The Developer is eligible for a refund during the term of the Subdivision Agreement of up to 100% of the amount advanced provided the average length of the line extension per lot or per service location does not exceed five hundred fifty (550) feet. If distribution facilities must be constructed in excess of an average of five hundred fifty (550) feet per new permanent lot or service location within a duly recorded residential subdivision, that portion of the advanced total installed cost represented by those required line facilities in excess of five hundred fifty (550) feet per customer will be held by the Company as a non-refundable contribution.
 - ii. On or after one (1) year subsequent to the installation of the Company's facilities, and thereafter each year of the term of the Subdivision Agreement the Company will review the status of the subdivision to determine the percentage ratio that the number of lots or service locations occupied by permanent Customers bears to the number of lots identified in each Subdivision Agreement specified as the basis for refund. The ratio determined at the time of each review multiplied by the total refundable advance associated with the line extension agreement will represent that portion of the advance qualified for refund. If the foregoing calculation indicates a refund is due, an appropriate refund of cash deposit will be made. Payment will be made within ninety (90) days following each review.
 - iii. The total amount refunded over the term of the Subdivision Agreement cannot exceed the total amount advanced net of any non-refundable contribution and or cost of ownership.
 - iv. The Company will make a final review on the status after a period of five (5) years. No refunds will be made after a period of five (5) years subsequent to the completion of construction of the Company's facilities. Any unrefunded amount remaining at the ends of the five (5) year period will become the property of the Company and a nonrefundable contribution in aid of construction.
- 5. Non-Residential Developers
 - a. General

Required distribution facilities up to and within a new duly recorded non-residential development, including commercial plats which are activated subsequent to their recordation, for permanent service, will be constructed, owned, operated and maintained by the Company in advance of applications for service by permanent commercial customers only after the Company and the Applicant have entered into a written contract which (unless otherwise agreed to by the Company and the Applicant) provides that:

i. For line extensions with voltages less than or equal to 21kV, the Company will install, own and maintain, on an individual project basis, the distribution facilities necessary to provide permanent service to a non-residential Customer. Prior to the installation of facilities, the Customer will be required to make a refundable non-interest-bearing cash advance to the Company for the estimated project cost less an allowance equal to 50% of the estimated two year Revenue. If the total of such charge is less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), the charge will be waived by the Company.

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- ii. Upon completion of construction of the Company's facilities the total actual cost of the project will be compared to the total estimated cost advanced by the Applicant, and any difference will be either billed or refunded within ninety (90) days to the Customer.
- iii. Five-hundred fifty (550) foot line extension allowance does not apply.
- iv. For line extensions with voltages greater than 21kV Subsection 7.C.3.b will apply.
- b. Method of Refund
 - i. After the initial twenty-four (24) month billing period the Company will compare the actual Revenue to the allowance, and any difference will be either billed or refunded within ninety (90) days to the Customer.
 - ii. In no event shall the total of the refund payments made by the Company to the depositor be in excess of the deposit amount advanced.
 - iii. No refunds will be made after a period of two (2) years subsequent to the completion of construction of the Company's facilities. Any unrefunded amount remaining at the end of the two (2) year period will become the property of the Company and a nonrefundable contribution in aid of construction.
- c. Underground Installations Extensions of single-phase or three-phase underground distribution lines necessary to furnish permanent electric service to new commercial properties a commercial subdivision, in which facilities for electric service have not been constructed, for which applications are made by a developer will be installed underground in accordance with the provisions set forth in this regulation except where it is not feasible from an engineering, operational, or economic standpoint. Extensions of single-phase or three-phase underground distribution lines necessary to furnish permanent electric service will be made by the Company in advance of receipt of applications for service by permanent commercial customers in accordance with the following provisions (unless otherwise agreed to by the Company and the Applicant):
 - i. The subdivider or other Applicant will provide the trenching, bedding, backfill (including any imported backfill required), compaction, repaving and any earthwork for pull boxes and equipment and transformer pad sites required in accordance with the Company's specifications and subject to the Company's inspection and approval.
 - ii. Underground service will be installed, owned, operated and maintained as provided in Section 6 of these Rules and Regulations.
 - iii. Underground extensions up to the duly recorded Subdivision will be owned, operated and maintained by the Company, provided the Applicant pays a non-refundable sum equal to the estimated difference between the cost of the underground extension and an equivalent estimated cost of an overhead extension.

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6. Replacement of Overhead with Underground Distribution Facilities

Where a Customer has requested that existing overhead distribution facilities be replaced with underground distribution facilities, the total cost of such replacement will be paid by the Customer.

7. Conversion from Single-Phase to Three-Phase Service

Where it is necessary to convert all or any portion of an existing overhead or underground distribution system from single-phase to three-phase service to a Customer, the total cost of such conversion will be paid by the Customer.

8. Long Term Rental Mobile Home Park, Townhouses, Condominiums and Apartment Complexes

Line extensions to long term rental mobile home parks, townhouses, condominiums and apartment complexes will be made by the Company under terms and conditions provided in Subsection 7.C.1. The Company will, when requested by the Customer, install, own and maintain internal distribution facilities and individual metering for said development in accordance with the provisions pertaining to duly recorded real estate subdivisions as stated in Subsection 7.C.2 hereof.

- 9. Special Conditions
 - a. Contracts

Each sub divider or other Applicant for service requesting an extension over the allowable footage allowance, or in advance of applications for service to permanent Customers, or in advance of completion of required site improvements will (unless otherwise agreed to by the Company and the Applicant) be required to execute contracts covering the terms under which the Company will install lines at its own expense, or contracts covering line extensions for which advance deposits will (unless otherwise agreed to by the Company and the Applicant) be made in accordance with the provisions of these Rules and Regulations or of the applicable rate schedules.

b. Primary Service and Metering

The Company will provide primary service to a point of delivery, such point of delivery to be determined by the Company. The Customer will provide the entire distribution system (including transformers) from the point of delivery to the load. The system will be treated as primary service for the purposes of billing. The Company reserves the right to approve or require modification to the Customer's distribution system prior to installation, and the Company will determine the voltage available for primary service. Instrument transformers, metering riser poles and associated equipment to be installed and maintained by the Company will be at the Customer's expense.

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c. Advances under Previous Rules and Contracts

Amounts advanced under the conditions established by a rule previously in effect will be refunded in accordance with the requirements of such contract under which the advance was made.

d. Extensions for Temporary Service

Extensions for temporary service or for operations of a speculative character (mining, milling, irrigation and similar speculative businesses) or questionable permanency will be charged the applicable estimated charges for the installation and removal of temporary facilities. Temporary facilities will remain in service for a maximum of two (2) years.

e. Exceptional Cases

Where unusual terrain, location, soil conditions, or other unusual circumstances make the application of these line extension rules impractical or unjust to either party or in the case of extension of lines of other than standard distribution voltage, service under such circumstances will be negotiated under special agreements specifying terms and conditions covering such extensions.

f. Special or Excess Facilities

Under this rule, the Company will install only those facilities which it deems are necessary to render service in accordance with the rate schedules. Where the Customer requests facilities which are in addition to, or in substitution for, the standard facilities which the Company normally would install, the extra cost thereof will be paid by the Customer.

g. Unusual Loads

Line extensions to unusually small loads not serving a permanent structure designed for continued occupancy for either residential or business purposes (e.g. individual lights, wells, signs, etc.) will not be granted the five hundred fifty (550) foot allowance, but will instead be required to advance any costs of service.

- 10. Other Conditions
 - a. <u>Rights-of-Way</u> All necessary easements or rights-of-way required by the Company for any portion of the extension which is either on premises owned, leased or otherwise controlled by the Customer, Developer, or others will be furnished in the Company's name by the Customer without cost to or condemnation by the Company and in reasonable time to meet proposed service requirements. All easements or rights-of-way obtained on behalf of the Company will contain only those terms and conditions that are acceptable to the Company.

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- b. <u>Change of Grade</u> If subsequent to construction of electric distribution and/or transmission lines and services, the final grade established by the Customer or Developer is changed in such a way as to require relocation of the Company facilities or results in damage to those same facilities, the cost of relocation and/or resulting repairs will be borne by the Customer or Developer.
- c. <u>Relocation</u> When the Company is requested to relocate its facilities for the benefit and/or convenience of a Customer, the Customer will pay the Company for the total cost of the work to be performed prior to the start of construction.
- d. <u>Connecting or Disconnecting Customer's Service</u> Only duly authorized employees of the Company are allowed to connect the Customer's service to, or disconnect the same from, the Company's electric lines.
- e. <u>Maintenance of Customer's Equipment</u> The Customer will, at the Customer's own risk and expense, furnish, install and keep in good and safe condition all electrical wires, lines, machinery and apparatus which may be required for receiving electric energy from the Company, and for applying and utilizing that energy, including all necessary protective appliances and suitable building therefore, and the Company will not be responsible for any loss or damage occasioned or caused by the negligence, want of proper care, or wrongful act of the Customer or any of the Customer's agents, employees or licensees on the part of the Customer in installing, maintaining, using, operating or interfering with any such wires, lines, machinery or apparatus.
- f. <u>Removal of Company Property</u> As provided for in these Rules and Regulations, the Company will have the right to remove any and all of its property installed on the Customer's premises at the termination of service.
- g. <u>Change of Customer's Requirements</u> In the event that the Customer must make any material change either in the amount or character of the appliances or apparatus installed upon the Customer's premises to be supplied with electric energy by the Company, the Customer must immediately give the Company written notice to this effect.
- h. <u>Refunds</u> In no case will the total of any refund payments made by the Company exceed the amount of any construction advance
- i. <u>Collections</u> Nothing in these Rules and Regulations will be construed as limiting or in any way affecting the right of the Company to collect from the Customer any other additional sum of money which may become due and payable.



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- D. Construction / Facilities Related Income Taxes
 - 1. Collection of Income Tax Gross Up
 - a. Any federal, state or local income taxes resulting from the receipt of a Contribution or Advance in Aid of Construction in compliance with this rule is the responsibility of the Company and will be recorded as a deferred tax asset and reflected in the Company's rate base for ratemaking purposes.
 - b. However, if the estimated contribution or advance for any service line or distribution main extension (as determined for each individual extension agreement) exceeds \$500,000, the Company shall require the Applicant to include in the contribution or advance an amount (the "gross up amount") equal to the estimated federal, state or local income tax liability of the Company resulting from the contribution or advance computed as follows:

Gross Up Amount = <u>Advance or Contribution</u> - Advance or Contribution (1 - Statutory combined income tax rate)

- c. After the Company's tax returns for the year of receipt of the advance or contribution are completed, if the statutory combined income tax rate is less than the rate used to calculate the gross-up, the Company shall refund to the Applicant an amount equal to such excess.
- d. When a gross-up amount is to be collected in connection with an extension agreement, the contract will state the tax rate used to compute the gross up amount, and will also disclose the gross-up amount separately from the estimated cost of facilities.
- 2. Refund of Tax Gross Up
 - a. In the case of construction advance refunds made pursuant to Subsection 7.C.3 a pro rata portion of the gross up will be refunded when the amount of the underlying advance is refunded. Any remaining gross-up will be refunded on November 1 of each year as tax depreciation deductions are taken on the Company's tax returns. At the end of five (5) years from installation, the remaining gross up will be refunded at an amount that reflects the net present value of the Company's remaining tax depreciation deductions on the underlying advance discounted at the Company's authorized rate of return.
 - b. In the case of all other advances or deferred construction deposit agreements, the gross up will be refunded, or the amount of required deferred construction deposit will be reduced, as follows:
 - i. If the full amount of the advance is refunded prior to September 30th of the year following the year in which the advance is received, the entire amount of the gross-up will be refunded.

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- ii. For any amount of the advance not refunded as of September 30th of the year following the year in which the advance is received, on November 1st of each year a portion of the gross-up will be refunded based on the amount of the tax depreciation deductions taken by the Company on its federal and state income tax returns.
- iii. When any advance is refunded after depreciation refunds pursuant to clause ii have begun, a pro rata portion of the gross up will be refunded reduced by the amount of depreciation refunds previously made for that portion of the gross up.
- iv. For any advance that is not refunded at the end of the contract period, the remaining gross up will be refunded at an amount that reflects the net present value of the Company's remaining tax depreciation deductions on the underlying advance discounted at the Company's authorized rate of return.
- 3. Non-refundable Income Tax Gross Up for Contribution in Aid of Construction
 - a. At the option of the Customer, a non-refundable gross-up may be calculated as follows:

| Non-refundable | (Contribution Amount – Net Present Value of Tax Depreciation) | - Contribution Amount |
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| Gross Up Amount | (1 - Current Tax Rate) | |

- 4. Alternate Income Tax Gross Up for Advances in Aid of Construction
 - a. At the option of the Customer, a gross-up may be calculated as in Section 7.D.3.a when an advance is received. When the Customer has received its final advance refund the alternate gross-up will be recomputed as follows:

| Alternate Gross Up ₌ | | (Advance Amount – Net Present Value of (Advance Refunds + Tax | |
|---------------------------------|---|---|------------------|
| | = | Depreciation on Advances Not Refunded) | - Advance Amount |
| | | (1 - Current Tax Rate) | |