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## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

# 2. HOW TO OBTAIN SERVICE (Cont'd)

#### В. **CUSTOMER DEPOSIT (Cont'd)**

Deposit Review (3)

## Non-Residential

The Company shall, at the first anniversary of the receipt of the deposit and at least biennially thereafter, review the billing history of every customer who has a deposit with the Company, to assure the amount of the deposit conforms with Rule 2.B.(2)(c). The Company reserves the right to review the deposit at any other time at the Company's option.

- If a review shows that the deposit held falls short of the amount the Company may require by 25 percent or more, the Company may require the payment of a corresponding additional deposit amount from the customer.
- If a review shows that the deposit held exceeds the amount the Company may lawfully require by 25 percent or more, the Company shall refund the excess deposit to the customer in accordance with Rule 2.B.4.

Upon request of a customer for a downward revision of the deposit, which request is substantiated by both the customers' billing history and by a permanent documented change in load and consumption, the Company shall refund any portion of the deposit in excess of the amount the utility may lawfully require in accordance with Rule 2.B.4 to the customer.

### (4) **Deposit Alternatives**

The Company shall accept deposit alternatives which provide a level of security equivalent to cash, such as irrevocable bank letters of credit and surety bonds, in the form specified by the Company.

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