

I. Meter Reading, Billing and Collection: (Cont'd.)

pay the difference between the estimated charges and the actual charges in regular monthly installments over a reasonable period that shall not be less than three months.

(d) Estimated Bills - Non-residential Customers:

(1) The Company may render an estimated bill for a regular cycle billing period only when:

- (i) the Company has failed to obtain access to the meter(s);
- (ii) circumstances beyond the control of the Company made obtaining an actual reading of the meter(s) extremely difficult, despite having access to the meter area; provided, however, that estimated bills for this reason may be rendered no more than twice consecutively without the Company advising the customer in writing of the specific circumstances and the customer's obligation to have the circumstances corrected;
- (iii) the Company has good cause for believing that an actual or customer reading obtained is likely to be erroneous; provided, however, that estimated bills for this reason may be rendered no more than twice consecutively without the Company initiating corrective action before the rendering of the next cycle bill;
- (iv) circumstances beyond the control of the Company prevented the meter reader from making a premises visit;
- (v) an actual reading was lost or destroyed; provided, however, that an estimated bill for this reason shall be rendered no more than once without the Company initiating corrective action before the rendering of the next cycle bill;