B.   How Service May Be Obtained: (Cont'd.)

          (i)   If a deposit review shows that the deposit held falls short of the amount that the Company may lawfully require by 25 percent or more, the Company may require the payment of a corresponding additional deposit amount from the customer.

         (ii)   If a deposit review shows that the deposit held exceeds the amount that the Company may lawfully require by 25 percent or more, the Company shall refund the excess deposit to the customer in accordance with subdivision (f) of this section.

     (2)   Upon request of a customer for a downward revision of the deposit, which request is substantiated both by the customer's 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 Company may lawfully require in accordance with subdivision (f) of this section.

  (d)   Deposit Alternatives:

     (1)   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.

     (2)   The Company may, at its discretion, accept from the customer in lieu of a deposit, a written promise to pay bills on receipt and a written waiver of the customer's right not to be sent a final termination notice until 20 calendar days after payment is due.

  (e)   Interest:

     (1)   Every cash deposit shall accrue interest at a rate prescribed at least annually by the Commission in light of the current economic conditions and current charges paid for money borrowed by the Company, taking into account the expenses incurred by the Company in obtaining, handling, returning or crediting the sum deposited.

     (2)   Interest shall be paid to the customer upon the return of the deposit, or where the deposit has been held for a period of one year or more, the