

PSC NO: 219 GAS
NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION
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GENERAL INFORMATION

12. SERVICE EQUIPMENT:

- 12.1 Gas will be supplied to each building or premises through a single meter, except where, for reasons of Company economy, conditions on the Company's distribution system, improvements of service conditions, or volume of the customer's requirements, the Company elects to install more than one meter. The Company will furnish, install, connect and maintain such meter or meters as are necessary for metering gas for Company billing purposes. The Company shall also furnish and install, when deemed necessary by Company, the necessary regulating equipment to govern the pressure under which the gas is delivered. Customer shall provide a location on customer's premises suitable to Company for the installation of metering and regulating equipment, and shall be responsible for protection against theft, damage, or interference to Company's meters and to regulators or other equipment. If at any time after the installation of metering and regulating equipment conditions are changed so that their location becomes unsuitable, Company shall have right to move such equipment to a suitable new location at the expense of the customer or property owner. The cost of relocating metering or regulating equipment at the request of a property owner shall be borne by the property owner.
- 12.1.1 Meters installed in new residential dwelling units constructed after July 15, 1976, shall be installed outdoors in an accessible location whenever feasible.
- 12.1.2 The Company will require access to any meter, pursuant to Rule 8 and to the Transportation Corporations Law, in order to verify the accuracy of remote meter reading devices, dial card reading or telephone readings, at least once in every twelve month period. If the customer refuses this access, the Company may invoke the provisions as outlined in Rule 13.2.5.
- 12.2 Meters and gas pressure regulators furnished by the Company shall remain the property of Company and may be removed by Company at any time.
- 12.3 The Company will seal all meters before installation. Meter equipment shall be locked or service line plugged when service is shut off. No person, except a duly authorized employee of the Company, shall be permitted to break or replace a seal or lock, or to alter or change a meter or its connections or location, or to alter a gas pressure regulator.

13. INTERIM ESTIMATED BILLING:

- 13.1 The Company will ordinarily schedule meters to be read monthly (approximately (30) days) or bimonthly (approximately (60) days). The Company will render bills monthly. Eligible customers may be billed according to the Company's Budget Billing Plan as set forth in Rule 15.7.6 or where meters are scheduled to be read bimonthly according to the following interim estimated billing method.

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