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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### PART II - RULES AND REGULATIONS

#### 6. EXTENSION AND MAINTENANCE OF DISTRIBUTION PROVIDER FACILITIES (Cont'd)

##### **L. INSTALLATION OF FACILITIES IN VISUALLY SIGNIFICANT RESOURCE (VSR) AREAS** (Cont'd)

The Distribution Provider will provide a written report to the agency which designated or administers the VSR, to any agency having jurisdiction over affected public land, and to the Commission, of its intention to install, or provide for the installation of, the necessary facilities underground or overhead, at least 60 days before construction is planned to commence. The Distribution Provider may provide such written report described therein within 30 days after the commencement of construction if the necessary distribution or service line is installed overhead on a temporary basis, pending the review of the Distribution Provider's report.

The Distribution Provider may install permanent overhead facilities if the Distribution Provider, before installation:

- (i) determines that the situation is an emergency; and
- (ii) obtains the written approval of the appropriate agency or agencies; and
- (iii) upon written request, obtains the written approval of the Secretary of the Commission.

If undergrounding is otherwise required in a VSR, and the per-foot cost of installing the necessary facilities will be greater than two times the Distribution Provider's annual cost per foot, the Distribution Provider or the Distribution Customer may petition the Secretary of the Commission to allow overhead installation.

If an agency intends to supply a map or maps of a VSR(s) to the Distribution Provider and the Commission, such agency shall consult with the Distribution Provider and the Staff of the Department of Public Service as to the appropriate scale(s) and other details of such map(s) prior to the filing of such map(s) with the Commission.

The length of time necessary for the Distribution Provider to respond to a request for electric service and to install facilities necessary for service to qualified applicants may be affected by project reporting procedures and conditions governing construction practices of undergrounding facilities as set forth in the Public Service Commission's regulations, 16 NYCRR Parts 99, 100 and 101.

This Rule shall remain in full force and effect through November 21, 1998.

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