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GENERAL INFORMATION

6. METERING AND BILLING (Cont'd.)

6.6 LATE PAYMENT CHARGE (Cont'd.)

- (2) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company reserves the right to discontinue service in accordance with the provisions elsewhere in this tariff and/or to take any other action permitted by law with respect to any customer who fails to make full and timely payment of all amounts due the Company, including amounts due for late payment charges hereunder.
- (3) Late payment charges to state agencies will be rendered in accordance with the provisions of Article XI-A of the State Finance Law (Chapter 153 of the Laws of 1984, effective July 1, 1984).
- (4) For residential customers, a late payment charge will not be assessed on any amounts subject to a deferred payment agreement except for deferred payment agreement installment payments included in a customer's current bill when the current bill is past due. For the purpose of this section, a customer's current bill shall include current charges for service plus any installment payment amount as contained in General Information Section 7K.
- (5) During the period from January 1, 1991 through December 31, 1991, the residential late payment charge will be automatically waived the first time a customer has a balance that remains unpaid 25 days after the Billing Date.

6.7 DISHONORED PAYMENTS

Should the Company receive a negotiable instrument from an applicant or customer in payment of any bill, charge or deposit due, and such instrument be subsequently dishonored or uncollectible for any reason, the Company shall charge the applicant or customer a handling charge of \$3.50 plus any amounts the Company was required to pay its bank for handling such instrument.

6.8 SHORT TERM SERVICE

Where the type of service desired is available at a given location, customers desiring service for a period of less than six months under the Service Classification applicable shall pay in advance the contract minimum charge or, if the estimated bill for two months or such shorter period as service may be desired exceeds the contract minimum, the Company reserves the right to request a deposit equal to this estimated bill.

6.9 CHANGE OF RATE

- (A) Service Classifications and Rules and Regulations under which customers are served are subject to such changes as may be lawfully made.

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