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## GENERAL INFORMATION

- 6. <u>METERING AND BILLING</u> (Cont'd.)
- 6.10 <u>BUDGET BILLING</u> (Cont'd.)
  - (1) <u>Residential, Condominium Associations, Cooperative Housing Corporations</u> (Cont'd.)
    - (B) The Budget Year will be the twelve-month period beginning with the billing month of September and ending with the billing month of August.
    - (C) Customers may elect budget billing at any time. Should a customer request that budget billing begin in a month other than the normal beginning month, the monthly budget payment will be based on the cost for providing service through the end of the Budget Year.
    - (D) The Company shall periodically review the customer's billing histories during the Budget Year and based on such reviews may change the budget amount to minimize the potential for substantial over or under payments for the Budget Year.
    - (E) Customers who take both gas and electric service may elect budget billing for either service or regular billing for the remaining service, or may elect budget billing for both services.
    - (F) Should a customer fail to make a monthly budget payment when due, the Company shall have the right to cancel the budget billing plan. Upon cancellation, any overpayment will be credited to the customer's account and any deficiency shall be due and payable.
  - (2) <u>Non-Residential</u>
    - (a) The Company shall annually offer a budget billing plan to all its non-residential customers except:
      - (i) non-residential customers who have less than 12 months of billing history at the premises;
      - (ii) seasonal, short-term or temporary customers;
      - (iii) customers who have arrears;

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