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COMPANY: NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION REVISION: 0
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GENERAL INFORMATION

13. METER READING: (continued)

customer of the subject account, the notice will begin by stating that the Company records indicate that the recipient is the party who controls access to the meter of the customer, specifically identified as to address, part supplied, and account number, and that the Company has not been provided access to the customer's meter as required.

13.4.3.3.2 Second notice -- The second notice will advise the access controller of the no access charge that has been added to the access controller's bill and that unless access to the customer's meter is provided on the next meter reading date or a special appointment to read the meter is made and kept by the access controller prior to that date, another charge will be added to the access controller's next bill.

The notice will further explain that if the access controller's service can be physically terminated without obtaining access, steps to terminate service will follow and that in the event that the access controller's service cannot be physically terminated, steps to obtain a court order to gain access to the customer's meter will follow. The notice will advise the access controller that the Company will arrange a special appointment for a reading of the customer's meter if the access controller calls a specified number.

13.4.3.3.3 Third and each successive notice -- The third and each successive notice will advise the access controller of the no access charge that has been added to the access controller's bill and, if the access controller's service can be terminated without obtaining access, will be accompanied by a final notice where the access controller's service cannot be physically terminated without obtaining access, the notice will advise the access controller that the Company is seeking to obtain a court order to gain access to the customer's meter.

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