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GENERAL INFORMATION

8. BILLING AND COLLECTIONS: (CONT'D)

0. Customer Deposits and Refunds: (Cont'd)

(7) Deposit Return:

Each depositor, upon ceasing to be a customer, will promptly receive a refund of his deposit and all interest thereon not theretofore refunded or credited, upon surrendering his deposit certificate (or submitting satisfactory proof of the right to receive the deposit) and upon payment of all bills for which such deposit is security. A residential customer will promptly receive such refund of his deposit as stated herein by reason of non-delinquency for a one (1) year period from the payment of the deposit.

- (a) For Non-Residential Customers:
 - (i) the Company will return a non-residential deposit or portion thereof plus the applicable interest in accordance with Sections 8.O.(7)(a)(ii) and 8.O.(7)(a)(iii) of this Schedule, as soon as reasonably possible, but no more than thirty (30) calendar days after:
 - 1. the day an account is closed;
 - 2. the issuance date of the first cycle bill rendered after a three (3) year period during which all bills were timely paid, provided there is no other basis for the Company to request a deposit under 8.O.(2)(a)(ii) of this Schedule; or
 - 3. a review pursuant to Section 8.O.(4) of this Schedule shows that deposit reduction is warranted.
 - (ii) A deposit or portion thereof plus the applicable interest that is subject to return under Section 8.O.(7)(a) of this Schedule:
 - 1. will be credited to the account it secured in the amount of any outstanding charges;