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GENERAL INFORMATION (Cont*d)

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 - g. Shared Meters

In accordance with 16 NYCRR Sections 11.30 through 11.39, and Section 52 of the Public Service Law, when a tenant's service meter also registers utility service use outside the tenant's dwelling, the tenant shall not be required to pay the charges for that outside service. When a final determination has been made that a dwelling is served by a shared meter, the Company shall establish an account in the name of the owner for all service registered on a shared meter and will rebill for past service in accordance with 16 NYCRR Section 11.34. A customer may request a copy of the entire set of rules governing shared meters from the Company's office.

- h. Deferred Payment Agreement
 - (1) Residential Customers
 - (a) General Rules:

The Company will not disconnect or refuse to restore or provide service to a residential customer or applicant because of arrears owed on such person's account unless it offers eligible residential customers a Deferred Payment Agreement; provided, however, that any such Agreement shall not be made available to any customer who the Commission or its designee determines has the resources available to pay his or her bill.

Generally the Company will offer any eligible residential customer or applicant a Deferred Payment Agreement ("Agreement") with specific terms as required by 16 NYCRR §11.10 which sets forth in detail the procedures summarized here. The Agreement offer will be made in duplicate on the form set forth in the Company's tariff in General Information Section 21.

(b) Eligibility:

All residential customers and applicants are eligible for an Agreement unless the customer has broken an existing payment Agreement which required payment over a period at least as long as the standard Agreement described below, or the customer or applicant has the resources to pay the bill as determined by the Commission or its designee.

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