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GENERAL INFORMATION

24. Low Income Program

The Low Income Program provides eligible customers with a fixed discount on their bill.

1. Enrollment

Customers whom the Company receives a regular HEAP benefit ("add-on") on their behalf, shall be automatically enrolled in the Low Income Program.

- a. A customer that provides documentation of receiving a HEAP benefit for an alternate heat source (i.e., wood, propane) shall be eligible for the Low Income program and receive Tier 1 benefits.
- b. A customer identified by the State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance as receiving a HEAP benefit paid to an alternate provider, shall be automatically enrolled in the Low Income Program and receive Tier 1 benefits.
- c. Prior to each HEAP season, a customer that has not received a HEAP benefit on their behalf in the preceding 12 months, shall be removed from the Low Income Program.

2. Discounts

The Low Income Program provides a tiered bill discount for low income customers based on the customer receiving none, one or both of the HEAP add-ons.

Tier 1 is for no add-ons; Tier 2 is for one add-on and Tier 3 is for two add-ons.

3. Billing

A customer enrolled in the Low Income Program shall be billed in accordance with Rule 8.Q.1. Budget Billing of this Schedule.

- a. A customers shall have the option to opt-out of Budget Billing.
- b. If a customer falls into arrears, they shall be removed from Budget Billing in accordance with Rule 8.Q.1 of this Schedule. Once the customer resolves the arrears, they can be re-enrolled in Budget billing.

4. Reconnect Charges

The Company shall waive reconnect charges for customers that qualify for the Low Income Program.

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