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## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## 3. EXTENSION AND MAINTENANCE OF COMPANY FACILITIES TO SERVE CUSTOMER (Cont'd)

## E. SERVICE CONNECTIONS/METER (Cont'd)

(4) Outdoor Meters:

The Company requires an applicant for service to install its service wiring so that the meter is accessible to the Company employees from the outside of the applicant's building. The cost of the installation of facilities to accept an outdoor meter, or to relocate an existing non-accessible meter, shall be borne by the customer.

The Company's authorized employees shall have the ability to access and seal the metering equipment.

Meters shall be installed outside, unless approved by the Company.

(5) Company Property:

The rules below do not apply to meters owned and/or controlled by third parties as part of the Competitive Metering Option, as further defined in Rule 3.E.

The rules below apply in the case of Company-provided or Company-controlled meters.

- a. Any appliances or devices furnished, excluding meter enclosures, which by tariff, are customer owned, at the expense of the Company shall remain its property and may be removed by it at any time on the termination or the discontinuance of service.
- b. The Company retains sole control of customer-owned meters which may be removed by the Company at any time on the termination or the discontinuance of service, or for defects or conditions which interfere with normal Company operations.
- c. The customer shall be responsible for the safekeeping of the property of the Company on its premises and shall take all reasonable precaution against unlawful interference with such property.
- d. Customers who own their meter may relinquish ownership to the Company if the Company agrees. They shall be responsible for all expenses incurred by the Company as a result of this request.
- e. A meter removal charge of \$150 shall be assessed to any customer who requires the Company to relocate a customer-owned meter.
- f. In order to protect its equipment and service, the Company may furnish and install main fuses, wherever applicable, and is authorized to and shall seal the service switch and/or other devices on the customer's premises to prevent access by unauthorized persons. The customer shall not interfere with or alter the Company- or customer-owned meters, seals, or other property used in connection with rendering electric service, or permit same to be done by other than the authorized agents or employees of the Company.

Damage caused directly or indirectly by the customer to the Company's property shall be paid for by the customer. Damage to or removal of the Company's seals may be considered as sufficient reason for discontinuance of service to a customer until the Company has received satisfactory assurance that its equipment shall be free from future interference. Discontinuance of residential service shall be delayed, pending review, provided service can be rendered safely, if it is determined that a resident is likely to suffer a serious impairment to health or safety as a result of discontinuance.

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