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## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## 61. DISTRIBUTION LOAD RELIEF PROGRAM (Continued)

"Lost Reservation Payment" is the payment the Company will make to the Direct Participant or Aggregator when the Company misses the installation timeframe for the Reservation Payment Option, unless the meter delay was caused by a reason outside the Company's control.

"Reservation Payment Option" customers who enroll under this option agree to provide a specified amount of load reduction during demand response events, and will receive a set dollar per kilowatt (kW) payment per month for the summer capability period, regardless of whether or not the Company calls its demand response program.

"Test Event" refers to the Company's request under the Reservation Payment Option, pursuant to Rule 61.8.6.6, that Direct Participants and Aggregators provide one hour of Load Relief on not less than two hours' advance notice.

"Voluntary Participation Option" is the payment option the customer will be enrolled in if they do not elect to participate under the "Reservation Payment Option." Customers will only receive payment for actual load reductions during demand response events under this option.

## 61.3 Load Relief Period Criteria and Notice

- 61.3.1 Criteria for Designating a Load Relief Period includes, but may not be limited to, those times when the Company declares a need for emergency or non-emergency relief, as described by 40 CFR 63.6640 subparts 2 and 4, or when a voltage reduction of five percent or greater has been ordered, upon which the Company may designate such period as a Load Relief Period. The Company may designate specific circuits, feeders or geographical areas in which Load Relief will be requested.
- 61.3.2 Notice of a Load Relief Period or Test Event: The Company will notify Direct Participants and Aggregators by phone, email or machine-readable electronic signal, or a combination thereof, in advance of the commencement of a Load Relief Period or Test Event. The Direct Participant or Aggregator shall designate in writing an authorized representative and an alternate representative, and include an electronic address, if applicable, to receive the notice. If an Aggregator is served under this Program, only the Aggregator will be notified of the Load Relief Period or Test Event. The Aggregator is responsible for notifying all of the customers within its respective aggregation group.

## 61.4 Metering

- 61.4.1 All electricity load measurement for this Program shall utilize the Company's interval based meter(s) at the customer's premise. The customer is responsible for paying the interval metering and installation costs. The interval metering and installation costs are available from Company representatives.
- 61.4.2 Metering communications are necessary for program administration. Where meter reading communications must be installed, the Company shall provide the necessary communications equipment to the customer's meter which records the electric requirements delivered to the customer's premise. The customer agrees to pay the Company an Incremental Customer Charge in the amount of \$25.43 per month to cover the incremental cost of metering communications.