

6. SUBMETERING

Any individual nonresidential rental unit may use submetering or energy allocation equipment provided the rental agreement or lease between the owner and the tenant clearly states that the nonresidential rental unit is or will be using submetering or energy allocation equipment.

The owner and tenant must first enter into a written agreement for the purchase of natural gas before engaging in submetering or energy allocation. The agreement, which may be part of the tenant's lease agreement, shall be executed before any natural gas is delivered. The owner, upon establishing a submetering or energy allocation practice, agrees to supply any and all tenants with natural gas and shall be bound by such terms and conditions in acting upon agreements for electric service or natural gas service.

Whether or not the parties have executed a written agreement for the purchase of natural gas, once the tenant enters into a lease and accepts natural gas service, such tenant agrees to be bound by the applicable regulations prescribed by the Commission for submetering or energy allocation equipment. Likewise, the owner agrees to supply any and all such tenants with natural gas and shall be bound by such Commission regulations in acting upon agreements for electric service or natural gas service.

7. MASTER METERING

- a. Upon request by the customer, the Company will serve gas to multiple dwelling units by means of a master meter either by (1) master metering the gas for each building, or (2) master metering the gas for groups of buildings under the same ownership when such buildings are not separated by public ways.
- b. The Company will install one or more master meters, as required under the circumstances, to replace individual dwelling unit meters, or master meters in individual buildings comprising a multi-building dwelling project, upon the following terms and conditions:
 - (1) The customer's distribution system shall not be installed in any public way, and the customer shall bear the cost and responsibility for his distribution system from the outlet of the master meter;
 - (2) The customer shall pay the Company the cost of disconnecting and removing existing Company facilities;
 - (3) The customer shall pay the Company the unrecovered portion of the Company's investment in facilities being removed or abandoned, which are not economically reusable;
 - (4) If the changeover necessitates the installation of any new service pipe or any additional gas main capacity without any substantial increase in gas consumption, the customer shall bear the cost of such new facilities, reduced however by any payment made under (3) above; and
 - (5) The Company will install its facilities from the terminal of the new service pipe to the meter outlet at no expense to the customer, but it shall be the responsibility of the customer to furnish locations satisfactory to the Company for such facilities.
- c. Before the Company proceeds with the installation of a master meter to serve the buildings of a multi-building dwelling project, where customer piping is installed underground in private property between two or more of such buildings, the customer shall agree in writing to the terms and conditions hereinafter provided.
 - (1) In the event any of the private property in which customer piping is installed thereafter becomes a public way, the customer shall:
 - (a) Arrange and pay for the removal of customer piping in said public way;
 - (b) Bear any cost of installing new piping and other facilities on the customer's side of the meter installations; and

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