

General Service Provisions (Continued)

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 for 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.

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- 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
    - (c) Provide the necessary locations satisfactory to the Company for installation by the Company of its facilities from the service terminal to the meter outlet.
  - (2) In the event one or more, but less than all of the buildings of the project being singularly master metered are transferred to another ownership and request is made for separate master metering for the building or buildings so transferred, the transferee shall provide the necessary locations satisfactory to the Company for the installation by the Company of its facilities from the service terminal to the meter outlet, and the transferor and the transferee as assignee of the transferor, shall agree in writing to:
    - (a) Bear any costs of disconnecting and removing existing customer facilities; and
    - (b) Bear any costs of installing new piping and other facilities on the customer's side of the meter installations.
  - (3) Under (1) and (2) above, the Company will bear the cost of removal of any of its facilities and/or the cost of necessary new installations or extensions of its facilities.
- d. Combined billing of registrations of multiple meters installed on a customer's premises is permitted only where such multiple meters are installed for the convenience of the Company.

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