

GENERAL SERVICE PROVISIONS (Continued)

5. METERING

- a. The Customer shall provide a suitable location satisfactory to the Company for its metering equipment. This location shall be convenient and accessible at all reasonable times to the Company's meter readers, other employees and agents. This location shall conform with all Local, State and Federal requirements and with the rules of the National Fire Protection Association.
- b. The representatives of the Company shall be given access to the premises of the Customer at all reasonable hours for obtaining meter readings service rendered, for shutting off the flow of gas for reasons herein prescribed, for inspection of piping and appliances, and for inspecting, removing, repairing, protecting, or preventing or terminating any illegal use of the property of the Company installed on the premises. Access shall be granted at all times for emergency purposes.
- c. The Company may shut off service to the meter if the customer refuses reasonable access to the meter or other equipment after the Company has sent at least three notices requesting access, and alerts the customer that service may be shut off. If the service is shut off, the Company reserves the right to charge a service restoration charge equal to the restoration charge in Appendix A that applies for discontinuance of service.
- d. The Customer shall be liable to the Company for damage to or loss of meters, connections, or other Company property on the premises served due to negligence or want of care on the part of the Customer, members of his household, his agents, his employees, his tenants, or occupants of the premises.
- e. In accordance with Section 15, RELOCATION OR ALTERATION OF COMPANY-OWNED FACILITIES, the costs associated with moving an existing meter either requested or necessitated by any action of the customer, or owner of the property if the customer is a lessee, shall be borne by the customer. In the event the customer requests an estimate for the cost of relocating an existing meter, the Company shall provide an estimated range of such costs based on actual data for a previous twelve-month period, and also the option for a customer-specific estimate at a cost of \$72.00 which shall be due and payable along with the customer's bill for gas usage. This fee shall be credited to the customer's account upon completion of the meter relocation by the Company.
- f. See Section 1, b.(7), for Measurement Base.

6. SUBMETERING

- a. Gas service may not be remetered or submetered by the customer for the purpose of selling or charging for gas service to another or others, but may be submetered as provided in (b) and (c) below:
- b. With the prior written approval of the Company, gas service provided through an existing master meter for use in an apartment house, office building or shopping center may be submetered at the expense of the customer for the purpose of allocating to others the monthly charges for gas service for which the customer is responsible. Before granting approval, the Company will analyze the proposed type of submetering and the proposed billing format.
- c. The customer shall comply with all applicable regulations of the Company and the standards for submetering as set forth by the Public Service Commission of Maryland in COMAR 20.25.

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