

SECTION IV - COMPANY'S INSTALLATION

1. Installation and Maintenance.

Except as otherwise provided in these Service Regulations, in Service Agreements or Rate Schedules, Company will install and maintain its lines and equipment on its side of the point of delivery, but shall not be required to install or maintain any lines or equipment, except meters and service regulators on Customer's side of the point of delivery without cost to Customer. Only Company's agents are authorized to connect Company's service to Customer's service piping.

2. Gas Service Piping.

The gas service pipe shall be installed by the Company from the Company's main in the street to the curb line at its own expense and from the curb line to the meter, including curb box and valve, at the Company's expense, subject to the Company's rules, regulations and existing prices, upon execution of an application and provided that an adequate distribution main exists in front of the Customer's building. The service piping from the curb to the meter, including street box and valve, installed at the expense of the Customer, shall be maintained at the expense of the Company. No connections or work of any kind shall be done on a gas main or service piping up to the outlet of the meter by anyone who is not a qualified agent or employee of the Company. The Company will assume ownership of customer service lines (curb to meter) following replacement, as well as in instances of new installations.

Only one gas service will be installed in any individual dwelling or building, except in cases where the building's units are sectionalized by acceptable fire separations such as firewalls, regardless of the number of customers to be served within.

The service pipe will be laid from the point of the gas supply connection location to the meter location approved by the Company. Should the distance between the curb and the Customer's building be in excess of 150 feet or involve other special conditions, a suitable meter location, approved by the Company, will be selected.

Service pipe can be installed in the same ditch as the electric, telephone, and cable television cable, providing the electric cable is in a conduit and the gas service pipe has six inches of separation from the cables. Any other utilities will not occupy the ditch with the service pipe, and a minimum of three feet will be maintained between gas service pipe and other utilities.

Service piping will end at the inlet connection of the meter which will be set at the point and entry of the service. If it is necessary to extend the service pipe beyond the point of entry, such exposed service piping in the building under flooring, through walls, coal bins, etc., shall be properly protected and the expense thereof borne by the customer.

In case of more than one building on a lot, a separate service will be run direct from the main to each building except in cases where the building nearest the Company's main extends the full width of the lot. In such cases the meter will be placed on the service in the nearest building and the customer must make his own extension to the other building.

The Company shall install excess flow valves (EFV) for all new and renewed service piping installations for single family homes or other Customer service classifications as part its standard installation and at the Company's expense where such EFV installation is required in accordance with regulations of the Federal Pipeline Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA). For all other service piping installations that are not covered by PHMSA installation requirements, the Customer may request the installation of an EFV at the Customer's sole expense. The Company and Customer shall mutually agree upon the timing of such installation with regard to any necessary permitting that may be required. The Customer requesting the installation of an excess flow valve shall be responsible for the actual total cost of such installation and the Company shall provide Customer with a written estimated cost of such installation prior to performing the installation. A deposit of fifty-percent of the estimated cost of installation shall be required prior to the commencement of the installation. The balance of the actual cost of installation shall be due upon completion. (N)

The Company shall not be required to install an EFV if one or more of the following conditions is present:

- a. The service line does not operate at a pressure of 10 psig or greater throughout the year;
- b. Company has prior experience with contaminants in the gas stream that could interfere with the excess flow valve's operation or cause loss of service to a customer;
- c. The excess flow valve could interfere with necessary maintenance and operation activities; or,
- d. An excess flow valve meeting applicable performance standards is not commercially available.

3. **Company's Property and Protection Thereof.**

All meters and equipment furnished by and at the expense of Company, which may at any time be in said premises, shall, unless otherwise expressly provided herein, be and remain the property of Company, and Customer shall protect such property from loss or damage, and no one who is not an agent of Company shall be permitted to remove or handle same.