

Rule No. 6

ESTABLISHMENT AND RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF CREDIT

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- A. Establishment of Credit - Domestic Service. Before receiving domestic service, each applicant will be required to establish credit as follows:
1. By providing credit information satisfactory to the Company; or
  2. By furnishing a qualified guarantor to secure payment of bills for electric service; or
  3. By making a cash deposit to secure payment of bills as prescribed in Rule No. 7.
- B. Establishment of Credit - Other Than Domestic Service . Before receiving such service, each applicant will be required to establish credit, to the satisfaction of the Company, as follows:
1. By owning a substantial equity in the premises to be served; or
  2. By making a cash deposit to secure payment of bills as prescribed in Rule No. 7; or
  3. By furnishing a qualified guarantor to secure payment of bills for electric service; or
  4. By having been a customer of the Company for a similar type of service within the last two years and, during the last twelve consecutive months of that prior service, by having had not more than two past due bills as prescribed in Rule No. 11, provided that the periodic bill for such previous service was equal to at least 50% of that estimated for the new service, and, provided further, that the credit of applicant is unimpaired in the opinion of the Company; or
  5. By otherwise establishing credit.
- C. Re-establishment of Credit - All Classes of Service.
1. An applicant who previously has been a customer of the Company and whose electric service has been discontinued by the Company during that last twelve months of that prior service because of nonpayment of bills, may be required to re-establish credit by depositing the amount prescribed in Rule No. 7 for that purpose, and by paying electric bills regularly due; except, an applicant for domestic service will not be denied service for failure to pay such bills for other classes of service.

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C. Re-establishment of Credit - All Classes of Service. (Continued)

2. A customer who fails to pay bills before they become past due as prescribed in Rule No. 11, and who further fails to pay such bills within 15 days after presentation of a discontinuance of domestic service notice or within 5 days after presentation of a discontinuance of nondomestic service notice for nonpayment of bills, may be required to pay said bills and re-establish his credit by depositing the amount prescribed in Rule No. 7; except, a Small Business Customer, as defined in Rule 1, may not be required to re-establish credit if such bills are for retroactive charges resulting from a meter error or billing error as prescribed in Rules 17.3 and 17.4. In addition, a customer who has been identified as a Small Business Customer, as defined in Rule 1, will receive a warning letter after the first late payment during any 12-month period informing the customer that a deposit to re-establish credit may be required if another late payment occurs within the same 12-month period. This rule will apply regardless of whether or not service has been discontinued for such nonpayment. (T)  
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3. A customer using other than domestic service may be required to re-establish his credit in accordance with Rule No. 6 in case the conditions of service or basis on which credit was originally established have, in the opinion of the Company, materially changed. (N)