

Rule 9

A. Rendering of Bills

- 1. **Metered Service.** Bills for metered service will be based on meter registrations. Meters will be read as required for the preparation of regular bills, opening bills, and closing bills. It may not be possible always to read meters on the same day of the month or at intervals of equal numbers of days.
- 2. **Service Period.** Bills for electric service will normally be rendered on a monthly; except that BVES may render bills more or less frequently at the option of BVES.
- 3. **Monthly Rate Schedules.** Bills for accounts on rate schedules with monthly charges will normally be billed for a monthly period.
 - a. **Monthly Billing Period.** A monthly billing period will contain 27 to 33 days.

Bills for accounts which are normally billed for a monthly billing period, including accounts based on a measured monthly demand, will be calculated on a pro rata computation for other than a monthly billing period.
 - b. **Bimonthly Billing Period.** A bimonthly billing period will contain 54 to 66 days.
 - c. **Pro Rata Computation.** Where a pro rata computation is made, the billing will be computed in accordance with the applicable rate schedule, but the size of the energy blocks, and the amount of the monthly charges and credits specified therein, will be prorated on the basis of the ratio of the number of days in the billing period to the number of days in a monthly or bimonthly billing period. For this purpose, an average monthly or bimonthly billing period of 30 days or 60 days, respectively, may be used unless otherwise provided in the tariff schedules.

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B. Reading of Separate Meters Not Combined.

For the purpose of billing, each meter on the customer's premises will be considered separately, and the readings to two or more meters will not be combined except as follows:

- 1. Where combinations of meter readings are specifically provided for in the rate schedule.
- 2. Where BVES' operating convenience requires the use of more than one meter.

C. Payment of bills.

All bills are due and payable on presentation, and payment should be made at BVES' office or to an authorized representative or agent. If payment is later, there may be a late fee (see paragraph D).

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D. Late Payment Charge:

BVES may impose late charges for unpaid past due bills.

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