

Rule No. 7

DEPOSITS

A. Amount to Establish Credit

1. Metered Service

a. To establish credit by deposit, the amount for residential service requiring not more than one 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter will be \$30.00 when bills are rendered monthly or \$60.00 when bills are rendered bimonthly.

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b. To establish credit by deposit, the amount for all other service will be twice the estimated average monthly bill.

2. Flat Rate Service

No deposit will be required, except as prescribed for temporary service in Rule No. 13.

B. Amount to Re-Establish Credit

1. Former Customers

To re-establish credit for an applicant who previously has been a customer of the utility and during the last 12 months of that prior service has had service discontinued for nonpayment of bills, the amount will be twice the estimated average monthly or bimonthly bill to be rendered for the service requested.

2. Present Customers

To re-establish credit for a customer whose service has been discontinued for nonpayment of bills, the amount will be twice the average monthly or bimonthly bill to be rendered for that service.

C. Applicability to Unpaid Accounts

Deposits made under this rule will be applied to unpaid bills for service when such service has been discontinued.

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D. Return of Deposits

1. Upon discontinuance of service, the utility will refund the balance of the customer's deposit in excess of unpaid bills for that service for which the deposit was made.
2. If the customer has paid bills for service on the average within 15 days after presentation during the period of time the deposit is held or for 12 consecutive months, the utility will refund the deposit with interest as provided in Paragraph E of this rule.
3. Should the customer establish credit by other means in accordance with Rule No. 6 and then requests the return of his deposit, it shall then be returned with interest.

E. Interest on Deposits

1. The Utility will pay simple interest on deposits at the average monthly 90-day commercial paper rate per month for the last calendar year (or shorter period if service is discontinued after less than 12 months) and for additional time thereafter up to the date of refund; provided, however, that no Interest shall accrue (1) after mailing refund or notice that refund is due and payable to the customer at his last known address, and (2) if service is temporarily or permanently disconnected for nonpayment of bills. (C)
2. No interest will be paid on deposits made for temporary service. (C)

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