# P.S.C. NO. 3 ELECTRICITY ORANGE AND ROCKLAND UTILITIES, INC. INITIAL EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 2012

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# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### 14. FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SERVICE (Continued)

# 14.2 <u>APPLICATION FOR UNDERGROUND SERVICE – RESIDENTIAL SERVICE</u> (Continued)

#### Gas Meters:

- Any appliance must be installed in conformance with the latest edition of the National Fuel Gas Code and O&R's Natural Gas Installation Standards Handbook.
- On multi-unit construction where the gas meters are in a gang (more than one) configuration, the fuel lines must be permanently
  marked with the appropriate Post Office number.
- Access to the unit must be available to our Service Department.
- The primary heating unit must be ready to accept service.

NOTE: Under certain conditions, 0&R will conduct an initial inspection of the installation to ensure compliance with its specifications for gas installations. If the installation is not in compliance with the Company's and/or other applicable rules, service shall not be rendered and the Company shall assess a reinspection fee for any subsequent reinspections of the installation.

#### Multiple (Gang) Meter Installations

If you are installing more than two electric and/or gas meters at a single location, you are required to certify the following:

- The electric and/or gas installation shall be completed in accordance with applicable National Electric Code,
- National Fuel Gas Code, and Company Specifications for Electric and Gas Installations.
- · All electric meter pans and/or gas meter bars shall be labeled with the correct unit number as supplied by the Applicant.
- The electric sub-panel serving the unit shall be labeled with the same designation used on the electric meter pan.
- Your electrical and plumbing contractors shall "ring out" each meter pan and/or fuel line to ensure that these
  main lines serve the specific units labeled on each meter pan and/or fuel line.
- You will assume liability for all installation work performed by your electrical and plumbing contractors.
- You understand and agree that non-compliance with these requirements and certifications shall result in delays in project completion and that you may incur additional charges from 0&R for additional inspections and administration.

Note: Copies of our Electric and Gas Specifications Manuals are available upon request at your local New Construction Field Office.

#### **Construction Near Electric Lines**

The High-Voltage Proximity Act imposes certain obligations on any individual or company who may be working near electric utility power lines. Before you commence work on a project, you are required to notify your local utility. Paragraph 5 of §202-h states: "Whenever any activity is to be performed requiring precautionary action under the Act, the employer, contractor or other person responsible for the activity shall promptly notify the owner or person in charge of the high-voltage line of the intended activity, such notification to be submitted at least five normal work days before the activity is to be performed. The owner or person responsible for the high-voltage line shall perform all necessary precautionary actions, and the employer, contractor or other person responsible for the activity shall be responsible for all costs of such precautionary actions. Under no circumstances shall activities requiring precautionary actions be undertaken before such precautionary actions have been completed."

The Act also requires, but is not limited to, the following:

- · Educate workers of the inherent dangers in working near high-voltage lines;
- · All high-voltage lines shall be considered energized until assurance has been given that they have been de-energized; and
- Warning signs should be posted near high-voltage lines with the following language: "Danger Unlawful to Operate Any Part of This Equipment within 10 Feet of High-Voltage Lines."

By adhering to the Act, you ensure the safety of your employees and the public. If you fail to comply with the requirements under the Act, you could be subject to certain fines and penalties.

### **Buildings of Public Assembly**

Buildings of Public Assembly are buildings that normally admit the public and have capacity for 75 or more people. This would include, but is not limited to, schools, hospitals, nursing homes, licensed day care centers, churches, restaurants, theatres, department stores, factories, etc. (Office and apartment buildings are excluded unless they have a community/meeting room, auditorium or cafeteria that can accommodate 75 or more people). Does your facility meet this definition?

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