Valley Energy, Inc. New York Division

Superseding

P.S.C. No. <u>1</u> Gas Original Leaf No. <u>57</u> Revised Leaf No. <u>0</u>

GENERAL INFORMATION

9. INSPECTION AND EXAMINATION OF COMPANY APPARATUS - NON-RESIDENTIAL

A. Right to Inspect:

A duly authorized officer or agent of the Company may enter, at all reasonable times, any building or other location supplied with service by the Company for the inspection and examination of meters, pipes, fittings, and works for supplying or regulating the supply of gas and of ascertaining the quantity of gas supplied, provided such agent exhibits a photo-identification badge and written authority as provided in Section 65(9) of the Public Service Law.

B. Duty to Inspect:

Except to the extent prevented by circumstances beyond its control, the Company shall conduct a field inspection as soon as reasonably possible and within 60 calendar days of the following:

- (a) a request contained in a service application pursuant to Rule 3.C.;
- (b) a reasonable customer request;
- (c) the issuance of a field inspection order in accordance with an automatic Company bill review program;
- (d) notification from any reasonable source that service may not be correctly metered;
- (e) a directive by the Commission or its authorized designee.

C. Penalty:

A customer who, at any time, directly or indirectly prevents or hinders a duly authorized officer or agent of the Company from entering the building or location, or from making an inspection or examination at any reasonable time may be billed a \$100 penalty charge for each such offense as provided in Section 65(9)(b) of the Public Service Law.

D. Other Rights:

Nothing contained in this rule shall be construed to impair the Company's rights as to any other person who prevents access to Company meters and/or equipment.

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