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GENERAL INFORMATION - Continued

12. Deposits

A. Non-Residential Customers:

For non-residential customers, a deposit of an amount equal to the charges for the estimated consumption of gas for two calendar months will be required of any applicant or customer, unless waived by the Company upon a showing of satisfactory credit reference. If a non-residential customer is not delinquent in payment of any bill for a period of not more than three years, the deposit and interest shall be refunded promptly at the end thereof. For the purpose of this rule, failure to pay any bill for gas service within 25 days from the due date shall constitute delinquency.

B. Residential Customers:

As of January 1, 1982 no new residential customer shall be required to post a security deposit as a condition of receiving gas service unless such new customer is a seasonal or short-term customer.

For existing customers, a deposit may be required as a condition of receiving utility service if such customer is delinquent in payment of their utility bills. Otherwise, as of September 1, 1982, the Company shall no longer retain existing customers' security deposits. A current customer is considered delinquent for the purposes of a deposit assessment if such customer:

- (I) accumulates two consecutive months of arrears without making reasonable payment (one-half of the total arrears) within 20 days of the date payment was due; or fails to make a reasonable payment of a bi-monthly bill within 50 days after the bill is due (provided that the Company requests such a deposit within two months of such failure to pay), or
- (II) had gas service terminated for non-payment during the preceding six months.

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