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(6) Insulation

- (a) Definitions for Purposes of this Section.
 - 1) "Dwelling". A building designed or used as the living unit for one or more families. For the purposes of this standard, mobile homes shall not be considered dwellings.
 - 2) "Historical Building". Any building or structure designated historically significant by the State or local governing body, or listed (or determined by the Secretary of the Interior to be eligible to be listed) in "The National Register of Historic Places."
- (b) New Dwellings
 - 1) Applicability and Compliance
 - a) All new dwellings for which an application for a building permit was made and plans were filed on or after January 1, 1979, and all new dwellings for which construction was begun on or after January 1, 1979, will not be eligible for gas service unless these dwellings comply with the New York State Energy Conservation Construction Code. Compliance with this Code will be satisfied under any of the following circumstances: (i) A building permit is obtained for the dwelling from a building code authority or similar authority empowered by local law to issue building permit; or (ii) An affirmation is given by the contractor or builder on a certificate of compliance (See Section II.20.f.(6)(b)3) below) that the construction of the dwelling will comply with the Energy Conservation Construction Code within 30 days after occupancy; or (iii) A modification or variance from the requirements of the Energy Conservation Construction Code is issued by the State Board of Review as constituted pursuant to the Executive Law.
 - b) For any dwelling constructed after April 1, 1977, but before January 1, 1979, gas service will not be provided without compliance with the Minimum Insulation Standards set forth by the Public Service Commission in Opinion 77-10 (Case 26286, November 2, 1977) as amended.
 - 2) Waivers

For any dwelling subject to the requirements of Section II.20.f.(6)(b)1)b) above a waiver from these requirements may be granted by:

- a) The Company when the overall heat loss for the building envelope does not exceed the total heat loss which would result from conformance to the individual requirements. The heat loss calculations shall be certified by a licensed architect or engineer.
- b) The Company, if the applicant for service can establish through two estimates, one of which may be a utility audit, that the purchase price and installation charge (excluding financing charges) will be greater than seven times the anticipated annual savings to be obtained, (based on the present cost of the fuel currently used in the dwelling).

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