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2. HOW SERVICE MAY BE OBTAINED: (continued)

2.3.4 An application for gas main extension, Form B, signed by the applicant when service is to be taken from a gas main extension requiring a surcharge pursuant to Rule 10.

2.4 Security Deposits

2.4.1 Residential Customers

- 2.4.1.1 The Company may require a security deposit from a current residential customer as a condition for receiving service if the customer is delinquent in the payment of bills for gas service. A current residential customer is defined as a customer who receives continuous service for more than one year or has received such service at a previous location in the Company's service territory within sixty (60) days. Delinquency in the payment of bills is defined as follows:
 - 2.4.1.1.1 Termination of service to the customer for nonpayment during the previous six (6) months; or
 - 2.4.1.1.1.1 The accumulation of two consecutive months of arrears without making a reasonable payment of one-half of the total arrears before the time that the late payment charge becomes applicable.

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