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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (CONT'D.)

2.18 Additional Provisions Applicable to Residential Customers (Cont'd.)

2.18.11 Suspension or Termination – Elderly, Blind or Disabled

An additional 20 days will be allowed before suspension or termination may occur when:

- A. the customer is known to or identified to the Company as being blind or disabled, as defined in Title 16 NYCRR, Sec. 633.5, or
- B. the customer is 62 years of age or older, and all other residents of the customer's household are: under 18 years of age, over 62 years of age, blind or disabled.

In cases where service has been suspended or terminated and the Company subsequently learns that the customer is entitled to the protection established herein, the Company shall within 24 hours of such notification restore service for an additional 20 days and make a diligent effort to contact in person an adult resident at the customer's premises for the purpose of devising a payment plan.

2.18.12 Backbilling for Residential Customers

The Company shall not charge a residential customer for previously unbilled service or adjust upward a bill previously rendered when the period for the unbilled service or billing adjustment is more than six months prior to the mailing of the bill or the upward adjustment unless the conduct of the customer caused or contributed to the failure of the Company to render timely accurate billing. Unless the customer causes the late billing, the Company shall explain the reason for the late billing and shall advise the customer that suspension/termination of service is not permitted for charges billed in excess of six months after the service was provided. The customer will be given the opportunity to pay the charges under an installment plan on a schedule equal in time to the length of the backbilling period.

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