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<u>VIA EMAIL ONLY</u> *EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov* 

Advice Letter 223-E-C (U 933-E)

California Public Utilities Commission Energy Division, Tariff Unit 505 Van Ness Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor San Francisco, CA 94102-3298

Subject: Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC (U-933 E) –Rule 15 and Rule 16 Tariff Changes

Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC (U 933-E) ("Liberty") submits this **Tier 1** supplemental Advice Letter ("AL") to align with its current business practices. This AL is requesting approval to update Liberty's Rule 15 and Rule 16 tariffs to provide clarifications regarding costs, advances, construction allowances, and refunds (Rule 15); and service facilities, distribution line extensions, responsibilities, and payments (Rule 16).

#### **Background**

On December 4, 2020, the Energy Division of the CPUC directed the California gas and electric utilities to submit a Tier 1 Advice Letter to incorporate language changes from AB 1026, Section 783 of the Public Utilities Code into its Rule 15 and Rule 16 tariffs by February 3, 2021. This language is pertinent to construction and design specifications, standards, terms, and conditions of new extensions of service within Liberty's service territory. In Advice Letter 161-E Liberty revised its Rule 15 and Rule 16 tariff pages to include the language as directed by Energy Division. On March 26, 2021, the Commission approved Liberty's Tariff changes. Liberty is now requesting approval to update its tariffs to provide clarity consistent with current business practices. In addition, this supplemental AL fixes language from the original AL and recalculates the residential allowance using the 'Net Revenue / Cost of Service Factor' formula, calculated as follows.

Revenue	\$ 170,159,000
Expense	\$ 131,679,000
COS Factor	0.7739
Avg. Annual Res Cust Bill	\$ 2,261.62
Allowance	\$ 2,922.53

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#### **Effective Date**

Liberty requests that this **Tier 1** advice letter be effective as of January 1, 2025.

#### **Protests**

Anyone wishing to protest this advice letter may do so by letter sent via U.S. mail, facsimile, or email, any of which must be received no later than January 9, 2025, which is 20 days after the date of this advice letter. There are no restrictions on who may submit a protest, but the protest shall set forth the grounds upon which it is based and shall be submitted expeditiously. Protests should be mailed to:

California Public Utilities Commission Energy Division, Tariff Unit 505 Van Ness Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor San Francisco, CA 94102-3298 Facsimile: (415) 703-2200 Email: edtariffunit@cpuc.ca.gov

The protest should also be sent via email and U.S. Mail to Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC at the address shown below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission:

Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC Attn: Advice Letter Protests 933 Eloise Avenue South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

Email: CaseAdmin@libertyutilities.com

#### **Notice**

In accordance with General Order 96-B, Section 4.3, a copy of this Advice Letter is being sent electronically to parties shown on the attached service lists. Address change requests to Liberty's GO 96-B service list should be directed by electronic mail to:

AnnMarie.Sanchez@LibertyUtilities.com.

For changes to all other service lists, please contact the Commission's Process Office at (415) 703-2021 or by electronic mail at ProcessOffice@cpuc.ca.gov.

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If additional information is required, please do not hesitate to contact me at elly.odoherty@libertyutilities.com.

Respectfully submitted,

LIBERTY UTILITIES (CALPECO ELECTRIC) LLC

/s/ Elly O'Doherty
Elly O'Doherty
Manager, Rates and Regulatory Affairs

cc: Liberty General Order 96-B Service List

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#### Rule No. 15

#### **ELECTRIC LINE EXTENSIONS**

# A. <u>Applicability & Construction and Design Specifications, Standards, Terms, and Conditions of a New Extension of Service Project</u>

- 1. Under the provisions of this rule Utility shall make extensions and alterations of existing electric distribution and transmission facilities, to supply new or expanded service to Applicants.
- 2. In compliance with Section 783 of the Public Utilities Code, the Utility will apply only those construction and design specifications, standards, terms, and conditions that are applicable to a new extension of service project for the 18 months following the date the application for a new extension of service project is approved.
- 3. The Utility may adopt modifications to those construction and design specifications, standards, terms, and conditions applicable to a new extension-of-service project only in accordance with any of the following:
  - a. An emergency order or decision of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) or any other state or federal agency with jurisdiction.
  - b. A work order issued by the Utility to implement construction or design changes necessitated by a customer-driven scope of work modification.
  - c. A material-related design change identified by the Utility to remedy a construction material defect that could pose a risk to public safety.
- 4. Approval date of a new extension of service application refers to the earlier of either the effective date of the contract for the extension of electric service or the date when the Utility first invoices the customer for the extension of electric service. "Invoice" to mean when the Utility presents an offer to the customer for the extension of service in response to an application for an extension of service submitted pursuant to the regulations of the CPUC and applicable specifications of the Utility.

#### B Cost

- 1. All Electric Extensions and Alterations
  - a. Cost shall be the Utility's estimated cost of making such extensions and alterations by the least expensive method which is also in accordance with Utility's engineering and construction practices. Whenever Utility, at

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#### **ELECTRIC LINE EXTENSIONS**

#### B Cost

- 1. All Electric Extensions and Alterations
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its option, installs facilities of greater capacity or length than would be adequate to provide the requested service, the cost for the purposes of this rule will be the Utility's estimated cost of a normal system designed with facilities of such capacity and along such a route as would be adequate to provide the requested service. Whenever the Utility, at its option and upon Applicant's request, installs facilities the cost of which exceeds that of a system deemed by the Utility to be adequate to provide the requested service, the excess cost shall be considered non-refundable.

- b. Cost may, at Utility's option, include that portion of the cost of previously installed facilities, which were installed or oversized by Utility in preparation for providing service to future customers. In no case shall Applicant be held responsible for any portion of the cost of facilities in excess of those which would have been adequate to provide the requested service.
- c. The base cost of all extensions and alterations made hereunder shall include Utility's costs for all regulatory, environmental and other fees, engineering, inspection, material, labor, transportation, costs for removal of existing facilities less their salvage value, associated overheads and other charges which are related to the extension or alteration, including any modification or improvement of existing facilities which is required to provide the requested service.
- d. Overhead Extensions and Alterations Cost shall include poles, wire, insulators, transformers, switches and other appurtenances necessary to provide the requested service.

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	1.	All Electric Extensions and Alterations (continued)
		e. Underground Extensions and Alterations - (Utility shall only make underground extensions in those areas where Utility maintains or desires to maintain underground facilities for its operational convenience or in accordance with applicable laws, ordinances or similar requirements of public authorities.) Cost shall include conduits, cables, connections, (T) terminations, riser materials, transformers and other underground materials necessary to provide the requested service. Applicant shall provide and install all trench, backfilling, backfill material, excavation, breaking of pavement, paving, repaving, transformer pads, vaults, enclosures, boxes, conduits, and all other work relating to structures (T) and substructures at no expense to the Utility.
		f. On site substations - when a new substation is required, all site preparation, including but not limited to grading and fencing will be provided by Applicant at no expense to Utility.
	2.	Temporary Extensions and Alterations
		In addition to all costs applicable to the installation of facilities, cost shall include the removal less salvage of facilities installed hereunder.
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	1.	An advance, equal to Utility's estimated cost, in accordance with Section B., less the free allowance provided for in Section D. will be required thirty (30) days prior to the start of construction on any extension or alteration made under the provisions of this rule. Provided, however, no advance shall be required if the difference between the Utility's estimated cost and the free allowance is less than two hundred dollars (\$200.00). Such advance shall consist of cash and a credit for Applicant installed or provided items, except that portion of an extension or alteration which will be provided by Applicant at no expense to Utility, under Section B. This credit shall be equal to Utility's estimated cost of installing or
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4 <u>2</u> .	All ad	lvances made by Applicant(s) under the provisions of this rule, which are not classified as a contribution in aid of construction by Utility, shall be subject to refund, to the party or parties entitled thereto as set forth in this section. Except as noted in Section E.3 of this rule, all refunds shall be made without interest. All refunds described below in Sections E.2. through E.9. will be increased by the same tax liability factor, from Section C.5. above, that was used in determining the original advance against which the refund is being applied.
<u>2</u>	<u>23</u> .	Refunding will be based on revenues in excess of the level used as the basis for a free allowance, derived from the following customers, who initiate service within ten (10) years of the date of the extension agreement:
		a. Those served directly from the subject extension or alteration, as long as subject extension or alteration is the first in a series from the original point of supply for which a portion of an advance remains refundable.
		b. Those served from subsequent extensions-of or additions-to the original extension. Refunds based on revenues in this section shall be made to the Applicant having the first extension in series from the original point of supply, for which a portion of an advance remains refundable.
4	<u>3</u> <u>34</u> .	Refunds based on estimated usage levels shall be paid by the Utility within ninety (90) days of athe date service is initiated a complete twelve (12) month period of usage data. (T)
4	4 <u>5</u> .	Customers who advance the entire cost of a project under Section D.4. will receive refunds based on revenues from their service in the first ten years following the date their service is connected, unless the Utility and Customer agree that a shorter refund period should be utilized. At the end of each year of service, the free allowance that would have been granted under Section D.1. had they not been subject to Section D.4. will be computed based upon their annual revenues for the past year. The refund for each year will be one tenth (.10) of
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#### **ELECTRIC LINE EXTENSIONS**

#### E. **Refunding** (continued)

- 6<del>5</del>. In those cases where two or more parties make a joint advance on the same extension, Utility shall distribute refundable amounts to such parties in the same proportion as their individual advances bear to the joint total advance, unless otherwise directed by all parties.
- <u>76.</u> Refundable amounts hereunder may be accumulated before refunding to twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) minimum or to total refundable balance if less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).
- Refunds hereunder shall be made for new customer connections during the <del>7</del>8. period not to exceed ten (10) years after the date of the extension agreement.
- 89. The total amount refunded hereunder shall not exceed the total amount advanced.
- <del>9</del>10. Except for refunds from customer connections made within ten years of contract execution, any portion of the advance which remains unrefunded ten (10) years after the date of the line extension agreement, will become the property of the Utility.

#### F. **General Conditions**

- 1. **Facilities** 
  - Utility shall install hereunder only those facilities which it deems a. necessary to render service in accordance with its tariff schedules. However, Utility at its option, may install facilities with greater capacity or of greater length than would be required for the service requested by Applicant. In such event, the advance required of Applicant shall be based on the estimated cost of the most economical and operationally efficient method of serving the Applicant, as detailed in Section B.
  - b. Conversions of Existing Electric Facilities
    - Overhead to underground conversions will be made entirely at 1. Utility's option, with costs being calculated according to Section B.

		or additional revenues derived from customers served from the underground facilities installed hereunder.				
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### F. <u>General Conditions</u> (continued)

- 2. Single phase to three phase conversions will be made under the provisions of this rule only when Applicant qualifies for the requested service under the provisions of Rule No. 2. Costs shall be calculated according to Section B. Free allowance and refund consideration shall be given only for new or additional revenues derived from customers receiving three phase service from the conversion made hereunder.
- c. All facilities installed by Utility and Applicant hereunder shall be and remain the sole property of the Utility.
- d. Size, type, quality of material and location of facilities hereunder shall be selected by the Utility.
- e. Where either final grade or the alignment of roads, streets and alleys, in the proximity of proposed extensions, have not been established and there is a reasonable probability that said grades or alignments will be changed within three (3) years, Utility will require that Applicant deposit, cash or post an acceptable surety bond at the time of the execution of the extension agreement in the amount of the Utility's estimated cost of relocation. Upon completion of any such relocation which is made within three (3) years of the date of the original extension, Applicant shall replace said surety bond with cash in the amount of Utility's actual cost incurred in making the relocation. Where Applicant has deposited cash to cover such relocation, that deposit shall be adjusted by Applicant or Utility to reflect Utility's actual cost incurred in making the relocation.

#### 2. Construction

- a. Unless specifically provided for in Sections B or F. 2. d. all construction shall be the responsibility of the Utility or its agent.
- b. All work performed by the Applicant shall be performed in such a manner as to permit Utility to perform its work without delay and in an efficient manner.

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- 2. Construction (continued)
  - c. It shall be Utility's intention to install facilities hereunder as soon as possible following completion of Applicant's obligations, however, due to work load fluctuations and Utility's obligations to perform unscheduled emergency work, both of which are beyond control of Utility, Utility will not be held responsible for damages or other inconveniences resulting from unavoidable delays in construction of facilities installed hereunder.
  - d. Applicant Installations

Applicants for line extensions shall have the option of installing facilities, in excess of those specified as being the Applicant's responsibility under this rule, only when the Utility is unable to guarantee availability of it's crews for installation or availability of a contractor to meet the Applicant's reasonable project schedule.

The Applicant must initially provide the Utility with plans and load information in a timely manner to allow the Utility to develop detailed plans, costs, and a construction schedule. A reasonable construction schedule will provide for up to ninety (90) days or one hundred and eighty (180) days for electric extensions where demand will exceed one thousand (1,000) kilowatts for design, with construction scheduled to commence within thirty (30) days from receipt of Applicant's advance or as mutually agreed between the Utility and Applicant.

The following conditions must be complied with for an Applicant to qualify to install facilities under the provisions of an Applicant installation:

- (1) All design, plans, and specifications shall be prepared by the Utility at the Applicant's expense.
- (2) All phases of the project installation shall be subject to inspection by the Utility, at Applicant's expense.
- (3) The Applicant's contractor must qualify in accordance with the Utility's guidelines for a Qualified Contractor for Utility installations. The contractor must be accepted on the Utility's Pre-Qualified Contractors List and have sufficient qualified personnel and sufficient reliable equipment to perform in a workmanlike manner before any installation is commenced.

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- 2. Construction (continued)
  - (4) The Applicant and/or his contractor must comply with the Utility's Gas/Water Distribution System Improvement Standards and/or Electric Installation Guide, and also any additionally specified construction standards and/or governmental requirements, i.e., OSHA, City, County, State, etc. that may apply, in all phases of the project installation.
  - (5) The Applicant must provide all material in accordance with the specifications of Utility's stock materials catalogs and all material provided will be subject to acceptance by the Utility, based on inspections by the Utility at Applicant's expense.
  - (6) The Applicant must also agree to guarantee all material and workmanship against defects for one (1) year following final acceptance of the work by the Utility. This guarantee shall be made a part of the Utility's Line and Main Extension Agreement.
  - (7) If, during installation of facilities under provisions of an Applicant installation, the Applicant's contractor, for any reason, must cease work on the installation, the Utility must be notified by the contractor at least five (5) working days prior to recommencement of work.
  - (8) The Applicant must agree to install any oversized facilities specified by the Utility. The Applicant will be reimbursed the Utility's estimated cost difference of the oversized facility and a facility sufficient to provide required service. This cost will consist of:
    - (a) The additional cost of oversized facility (when provided by the Applicant).
    - The Utility's estimated additional cost to install the oversized (b) facility.
    - The Utility's estimated additional cost to provide and install extra (c) trench and backfill required for the oversized facility.

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The Applicant will be reimbursed the cost of oversizing thirty (30) days prior to the start of construction or the advance otherwise due Utility may be reduced to reflect a credit for such oversizing.

- (9) The Applicant must start the project in accordance with the Utility's established schedule and pursue the work in a satisfactory rate.
- 3. Extension Agreements
  - a. All Applicants requesting service under the provisions of this rule shall be required to enter into Extension Agreements covering the terms under which Utility shall make extensions and/or alterations.
  - b. Refunds due and payable pursuant to any agreement entered into under this rule may be assigned upon written notice to Utility by the holder of said Agreement, as shown on Utility's records. Such assignment shall apply only to those refunds which become due more than thirty (30) days after date of receipt by Utility of the notice of assignment.
- 4. Estimates, Plans and Specifications
  - Upon request by potential Applicants for extensions, Utility shall, without charge, prepare preliminary sketches and estimates of costs and amounts to be advanced from such information as provided by Applicants.
  - b. Applicants for extensions and/or alterations of facilities requesting Utility to prepare detailed plans, specifications and cost estimates shall be required to deposit the estimated cost of preparation of such material.
    - Such requests shall be accompanied by maps to suitable scale showing street and lot layouts, and if requested by Utility, contours or other indications of relative elevations of various parts of area to be developed. Applicant shall also provide a proposed construction schedule and service date.

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- 4. Estimates, Plans and Specifications (continued)
  - 2. As requested by Utility, Applicant shall furnish any required property ownership, property description, plot plan or record of survey information concerning the area to be served under the provisions of this rule.
  - If changes are made subsequent to the presentation of the aforesaid information and these changes require additional expense to Utility in revising plans, specifications and cost estimates, this additional expense shall also be advanced by Applicants.
  - 4. Utility shall, upon request, make available within ninety (90) days after receipt of the deposit or deposits referred to above, such plans, specifications and cost estimates of proposed extensions except that such information relative to electric extensions to serve projects where demand will exceed 1,000 kilowatts, will be provided within one hundred and eighty (180) days after deposit receipt. If extensions are to include oversizing of facilities to be done at Utility's expense, appropriate details shall be set forth in the plans, specifications and cost estimates.
  - 5. If an extension agreement is executed between such Applicants and Utility within twelve (12) months after detailed plans, specifications and cost estimates are furnished, the aforesaid deposit or deposits shall become a part of any required advances and shall be refunded in accordance with the extension agreement.
  - 6. If an extension agreement is not executed between such Applicants and Utility within twelve (12) months after detailed plans, specifications and cost estimates are furnished, the aforesaid deposit or deposits shall be forfeited.
  - c. Estimates provided hereunder shall be firm for a period of three (3) months after the date of transmittal.

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- F. <u>General Conditions</u> (continued)
  - 5. Easements, Rights-of-Way, and Permits
    - a. Utility shall only make extensions under this rule when such extension will be located in a public street, road or highway which Utility has the legal right to occupy or on public lands and private property across which rights-of-way, easements or permits satisfactory to the Utility may be obtained.
    - b. Utility shall not purchase rights-of-way for extensions made under the provisions of this rule.
  - 6. Utility shall maintain detailed records of actual costs and provide all Applicants with an opportunity for review of such records, for a period of three (3) years following completion of the line or main extension.
  - 7. In case of disagreement or dispute regarding application of any provision of this rule, or in circumstances where application of this rule appears unreasonable to either party, Utility or Applicant may refer the matter to the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California for determination. During the period that the Commission is deliberating over a dispute submitted to it by either the Utility or Applicant, Utility or Applicant shall not delay the start of construction nor discontinue construction.
  - 8. Customer contributions for all work, inspections, etc., under these General Conditions will be increased to reflect the Utilities net tax liability, which includes cost component to cover CalPeco's estimated liability for Federal Income Tax and California State Tax as provided for in Preliminary Statement, Section 10.

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#### **SERVICE EXTENSIONS**

**APPLICABILITY:** This rule is applicable to both (1) Utility Service Facilities that extend from Utility's Distribution Line faci lities to the Service Delivery Point, and (2) service related equipment required of Applicant on Applicant's Premises to receive electric service.

# A. CONSTRUCTION AND DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS, STANDARDS, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS OF A NEW EXTENSION OF SERVICE PROJECT

- 1. In compliance with Section 783 of the Public Utilities Code, the Utility will apply only those construction and design specifications, standards, terms, and conditions that are applicable to a new extension of service project for the 18 months following the date the application for a new extension of service project is approved.
- 2. The Utility may adopt modifications to those construction and design specifications, standards, terms, and conditions applicable to a new extension-of-service project only in accordance with any of the following:
  - a. An emergency order or decision of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) or any other state or federal agency with jurisdiction.
  - b. A work order issued by the Utility to implement construction or design changes necessitated by a customer-driven scope of work modification.
  - c. A material-related design change identified by the Utility to remedy a construction material defect that could pose a risk to public safety.
- 3. Approval date of a new extension of service application refers to the earlier of either the effective date of the contract for the extension of electric service or the date when the Utility first invoices the customer for the extension of electric service. "Invoice" to mean when the Utility presents an offer to the customer for the extension of service in response to an application for an extension of service submitted pursuant to the regulations of the CPUC and applicable specifications of the Utility.

#### B. GENERAL

**1. DESIGN.** Utility will be responsible for planning, designing, and engineering its Service Facilities and Service Lateral facilities using Utility's standards for design, materials and construction.

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- B. GENERAL (Continued)
  - 2. **SERVICE FACILITIES:** Utility's Service Facilities shall consist of (a) underground service lateral or overhead service conductors, (b) poles to support overhead service conductors, (c) service transformers, (d) metering equipment, and (e) other Utility-owned service related equipment.
  - 3. OWNERSHIP OF FACILITIES. Service Facilities installed under the provisions of this rule shall be owned, operated, and maintained by Utility if they are (a) located in the street, road or Franchise Area of Utility, (b) installed by Utility under section D.2 below on Applicant's Premises for the purpose of the delivery of electric energy to Applicant, or (c) installed by Applicant under the provisions of this rule, and conveyed to Utility.
  - **4. PRIVATE LINES.** Utility shall not be required to connect Service Facilities to or serve any Applicant from electric facilities that are not owned, operated, and maintained by Utility.
  - 5. SPECIAL OR ADDED FACILITIES. Any special or added facilities Utility installs at the request of Applicant, will be installed at Applicant's expense in accordance with Rule 2, Description of Service.
  - 6. **TEMPORARY SERVICE FACILITIES.** Service Facilities installed for temporary service or for operations of speculative character or questionable permanency shall be made in accordance with the fundamental installation and ownership provisions of this rule, except that all charges and refunds shall be made under the provisions of Rule 13, Temporary Service.
  - 7. STREET LIGHTS. Street light services and appurtenant facilities shall be installed in accordance with the service provisions of the applicable street light schedule.
  - 8. CONTRACTS. Each Applicant requesting service may be required to execute a written contract(s) prior to Utility performing its work to establish service. Such contract(s) shall be in the form on file with the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission).

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- B. **GENERAL** (Continued)
  - 9. **DISTRIBUTION LINE EXTENSIONS.** Whenever Utility's distribution system is not complete to the point designated by Utility where the Service Lateral is to be connected to Utility's distribution system, or said Utility distribution system must be upgraded to provide new service lateral, applicants project would then fall under the Rule 15 designation and would follow in accordance with Rule 15, Distribution Line Extensions.
  - **10. RIGHTS-OF-WAY.** Rights-of-way or easements maybe required by Utility to install Service Facilities on Applicant's property to serve only Applicant.
    - a. **SERVICE FACILITIES.** If the Service Facilities must cross property owned by a third party to serve Applicant, Utility may, at its option, install such Service Facilities after appropriate rights-of-way or easements, satisfactory to Utility, are obtained without cost to Utility; or
    - b. LINE EXTENSIONS. If Utility's facilities installed on Applicant's property, or third-party property, will be or are designed to serve adjacent property, then Utility may, at its option, install its facilities under Rule 15, after appropriate rights-of-way or easements, satisfactory to Utility, are obtained without cost to Utility.
    - **c. CLEARANCES.** Any necessary rights-of-way or easements for Utility's facilities shall have provisions to maintain legal clearances from adjacent structures.
  - 11. ACCESS TO APPLICANT'S PREMISES. Utility shall at all times have the right to enter and leave Applicant's Premises for any purpose connected with the furnishing of electric service (meter reading, inspection, testing, routine repairs, replacement, maintenance, emergency work, etc.) and the exercise of any and all rights secured to it by law, or under Utility's tariff schedules. These rights include, but are not limited to,
    - **a.** The use of a utility-approved locking device, if Applicant desires to prevent unauthorized access to Utility's facilities;
    - **b.** Safe and ready access for Utility personnel free from unrestrained animals,

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	11.	ACCESS TO APPLICANT'S PREMISES. (Continued)			
		<ul> <li>Unobstructed ready access for Utility's vehicles and equipment to install, remove, repair, or maintain its facilities, and</li> </ul>			
		<b>d.</b> Removal of any and all of its property installed on Applicant's Premises after the termination of service.			
	12.	<b>SERVICE CONNECTIONS.</b> Only personnel duly authorized by Utility are allowed to connect or disconnect service conductors to or from Utility's Distribution Lines remove meters, remove Utility-owned service facilities, or perform any work upon Utility-owned existing facilities.			
C.	MET	ERING FACILITIES.			
	1. GENERAL				
		a. METER ALL USAGE. Utility will meter delivery of all electric power and energy, unless otherwise provided for by Utility's tariff schedules or by other applicable laws.			
		b. METER LOCATION. All utility meters and associated metering equipment shall be located at some protected location on Applicant's Premises as approved by Utility.			
	2.	<b>NUMBER OF METERS.</b> Utility normally will install only one meter for a single-faresidence or a single non-residential enterprise on a single Premises except:			
		a. When otherwise required or allowed under Utility's tariff schedules:			
		<b>b.</b> At the option of and as determined by Utility, for its operating convenience, consistent with its engineering design; or			
		convenience, consistent with its engineering design, or			

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**C. METERING FACILITIES**. (Continued)

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2. **NUMBER OF METERS** (Continued)

A single meter is required for each single enterprise operating in one building or group of buildings or other development on a single Premises such as, but not limited to, a commercial business, school campus, industrial manufacturer or recreational vehicle park, unless otherwise approved by Utility. See Rule 2 for more information.

- **MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY.** In a building with two or more tenants, or where Utility furnishes more than one meter on the same Premises, Utility's meters normally shall be grouped at one central location, or as otherwise specified by Utility, and each meter position or socket shall be clearly and permanently marked by Applicant, customer, or owner of the Premises to indicate the particular unit, occupancy, or load supplied by it.
  - a. **RESIDENTIAL.** Utility will individually meter electric service to every residential unit in a residential building or group of buildings or other development with multiple tenants such as, but not limited to, apartment buildings, mobile home parks, etc., except as may be specified in Rule 2 and applicable rate schedules.
  - b. NON-RESIDENTIAL. Utility will individually meter electric service to each tenant in a non-residential building or group of buildings or other development on a single Premises with multiple tenants or enterprises (such as, but not limited to, an office building or shopping center complex). Alternative metering arrangements as determined by Utility may be allowed only as specified in Rule 2 and applicable rate schedules.

#### D. SERVICE LATERAL FACILITIES

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- **1. GENERAL LOCATION.** The location of the Service Lateral facilities shall extend:
  - a. FRANCHISE AREA. From the point of connection at the Distribution Line to Applicant's nearest property line abutting upon any street, highway, road, or right-of-way, along which it already has, or will install distribution facilities, and

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- 1. **GENERAL LOCATION** (Continued)
  - b. **PRIVATE PROPERTY.** A further extension on private property, along the shortest, most practical and available route (clear of obstructions) as necessary to reach a Service Delivery Point designated by Utility.
- 2. **NUMBER OF SERVICE LATERALS.** Utility will not normally provide more than one Service Lateral, including associated facilities, either overhead or underground for any one building or group of buildings, for a single enterprise on a single Premises, except:
  - **TARIFF SCHEDULES.** Where otherwise allowed or required under a. Utility's tariff schedules; or
  - b. **UTILITY CONVENIENCE.** At the option of and as determined by Utility, for its operating convenience, consistent with its engineering design for different voltage and phase classification, or when replacing an existing service; or
  - **ORDINANCE.** Where required by ordinance or other applicable law, for C. such things as fire pumps, fire alarm systems, etc.
  - d. **OTHER.** Utility may charge for additional services provided under this paragraph, as special or added facilities.
- 3. **UNDERGROUND INSTALLATIONS.** Underground services will be installed:
  - **UNDERGROUND REQUIRED.** Underground services (1) shall be a. installed where required to comply with applicable tariff schedules, laws, ordinances, or similar requirements of governmental authorities having jurisdiction, and (2) may be necessary as determined by Utility where Applicant's load requires a separate transformer installation of 75 KVa or greater.
  - **UNDERGROUND OPTIONAL.** An underground service may be installed b. in an area where it is not otherwise required and when requested by Applicant and agreed upon by Utility.

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- **4. OVERHEAD INSTALLATIONS.** Overhead services are permitted except under the circumstances specified in section C.3.a above.
- 5. UNUSUAL SITE CONDITIONS. In cases where Applicant's building is located a considerable distance from the available Distribution Line or where there is an obstruction or other deterrent obstacle or hazard such a plowed land, ditches, or inaccessible security areas between Utility's Distribution Line and Applicant's building or facility to be served that would prevent Utility from prudently installing, owning, and maintaining its Service Facilities, Utility may at its discretion, waive the normal Service Delivery Point location. In such cases, the Service Delivery Point will be at such other location on Applicant's property as may be mutually agreed upon; or, alternatively, the Service Delivery Point may be located at or near Applicant's property line as close as practical to the available Distribution Line.

#### E. RESPONSIBILITIES FOR NEW SERVICE FACILITIES

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- 1. APPLICANT RESPONSIBILITY. In accordance with Utility's design, specifications, and requirements for the installation of Service Facilities, subject to Utility's inspection and approval, Applicant is responsible for:
  - a. SERVICE LATERAL FACILITIES.
    - (1) **CLEAR ROUTE.** Providing (or paying for) a route on any private property that is clear of obstructions which would inhibit the construction of either underground or overhead Service Facilities.
    - **EXCAVATION.** All necessary trenching, backfilling, and other digging as required including permit fees.
    - (3) CONDUIT AND SUBSTRUCTURES.
      - (a) Furnishing, installing, owning, and maintaining all Conduits (including pull wires) and Substructures on Applicant's Premises.

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E. **RESPONSIBILITIES FOR NEW SERVICE FACILITIES** (Continued) (T)

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- 1. **APPLICANT RESPONSIBILITY**. (Continued)
  - **SERVICE LATERAL FACILITIES.** (Continued) a.
    - (3) **CONDUIT AND SUBSTRUCTURES** 
      - (b) Installing (or paying for) any Conduits and Substructures in Utility's Franchise Area (or rights-of-way, if applicable) as necessary to install Applicant's Service Lateral.
      - (c) Conveying ownership to Utility upon its acceptance of those Conduits and Substructures not on Applicant's Premises.
    - (4) PROTECTIVE STRUCTURES. Furnishing, installing, owning, and maintaining all necessary Protective Structures as specified by Utility for Utility's facilities on Applicant Premises.
  - APPLICANT'S FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATION. Applicant shall b. be solely responsible to plan, design, install, own, maintain, and operate facilities and equipment beyond the Service Delivery Point (except for Utility's metering facilities) in order to properly receive and utilize the type of electric service available from Utility. Refer to Rule 2 for a description, among other things, of:
    - Available service delivery voltages and the technical requirements (1) and conditions to qualify for them,
    - Customer utilization voltages, (2)
    - Load Balancing requirements, (3)
    - (4) Requirements for installing electrical protective devices,
    - Loads that may cause service interference to others, and (5)
    - Motor starting limitations. (6)
  - **REQUIRED SERVICE EQUIPMENT.** Applicant shall, at its sole liability, C. risk, and expense, be responsible to furnish, install, own, maintain, inspect, and keep in good and safe condition, all facilities of any kind or character on Applicant's Premises that are not the responsibility of Utility but are required by Utility for Applicant to receive service. Such facilities

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- 1. APPLICANT RESPONSIBILITY. (Continued)
  - c. REQUIRED SERVICE EQUIPMENT. (Continued) shall include but are not limited to the overhead or underground Service Lateral termination equipment, Conduits, service entrance conductors from the Service Delivery Point to the location of Utility's metering facilities, connectors, meter sockets, meter and instrument transformer housing, service switches, circuit breakers, fuses, relays, wireways, metered conductors, machinery and apparatus of any kind or character. Detailed information on Utility's service equipment requirements will be furnished by Utility.
  - d. COORDINATION OF ELECTRICAL PROTECTIVE DEVICES. When, as determined by Utility, Applicant's load is of sufficient size as to require coordination of response time characteristics between Applicant's electrical protective devices (circuit breakers, fuses, relays, etc.) and those of Utility, it shall be Applicant's responsibility to provide such coordination in accordance with Rule 2.
  - **e. LIABILITY.** Utility shall incur no liability whatsoever, for any damage, loss or injury occasioned by:
    - (1) Applicant-owned equipment or Applicant's transmission and delivery of energy or,
    - (2) The negligence, omission of proper protective devices, want of proper care, or wrongful act of Applicant, or any agents, employees, or licensees of Applicant, on the part of Applicant in installing, maintaining, using, operating, or interfering with any such conductors, lines, machinery, or apparatus.
  - f. FACILITY TAMPERING. Applicant shall provide a suitable means acceptable to Utility for placing its seals on meter rings and covers of service enclosures and instrument transformer enclosures which protect unmetered energized conductors installed by Applicant. All Utility-owned meters and enclosure covers will be sealed only by Utility's authorized employees and such seals shall be broken only by Utility's authorized

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(3) SINGLE UTILITY-OWNED CUSTOMER SUBSTATION. When Utility elects for its operating convenience to supply Applicant from a transmission line and install a Utility-owned substation on Applicant's Premises, Applicant shall furnish, install, own and maintain at its expense the necessary site improvements as specified by Utility for the proper installation of the transformer. Such improvements shall include but are not limited to a

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- E. RESPONSIBILITIES FOR NEW SERVICE FACILITIES (Continued)
  - 2. UTILITY RESPONSIBILITY
    - a. SERVICE, METER, AND TRANSFORMER. Utility will furnish, install, own, and maintain the following Service Facilities as applicable after Applicant meets all requirements to receive service:
      - (1) UNDERGROUND SERVICE. A set of Service Lateral conductors to supply permanent service from the Distribution Line source to the Service Delivery Point approved by Utility.
      - (2) RISER MATERIALS. Any necessary pole riser material for connecting underground services to an overhead Distribution Line.
      - (3) OVERHEAD SERVICE. An overhead Service conductor to supply permanent service from a Distribution Line source to a suitable support at the Service Delivery Point approved by Utility. Such support shall be of a type and located such that service wires may be stalled in accordance with good engineering practice and in compliance with all applicable laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations including those governing clearances and points of attachment.
      - (4) **METERING.** The necessary instrument transformers where required, test facilities, meters, associated metering equipment and the metering enclosures when Utility elects to locate metering equipment at a point that is not accessible to Applicant.

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- 2. UTILITY RESPONSIBILITY (Continued)
  - (5) TRANSFORMER. The transformer where required, including any necessary switches, capacitors, electrical protective equipment, etc. When either a pad-mounted or overhead transformer is installed on Applicant's Premises, the Service Extension shall include the primary conductors from the connection point at the distribution supply line to the transformer and the secondary conductors, if any, from the transformer to the Service Delivery Point.
- b. SPECIAL CONDUIT INSTALLATIONS. Utility shall own and maintain Service Lateral Conduits only if: (1) they are located in the same trench with distribution facilities, and (2) when it is necessary to locate Conduits on property other than that owned by Applicant, as determined by Utility, or as may be required by local authorities.
- c. CABLE-IN-CONDUIT. In those cases where Utility elects to install its Service Lateral conductors using pre-assembled cable-in-conduit (CIC), the conduit portion will be considered a part of the conductor installation provided by Utility.
- d. GOVERNMENT INSPECTION. Utility will establish electric service to Applicant following notice from the governmental authority having jurisdiction that the Applicant-owned facilities have been installed and inspected in accordance with any applicable laws, codes, ordinances, rules, or regulations, and are safe to energize.
- 3. INSTALLATION OPTIONS.
  - (a) UTILITY-PERFORMED WORK. Where requested by Applicant and mutually agreed upon, Utility may perform that portion of the new service extension work normally the responsibility of Applicant according to Section D.1 above provided Applicant pays Utility its estimated installed cost.

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#### G. EXISTING SERVICE FACILITIES

#### 1. SERVICE REINFORCEMENT

- (a) UTILITY-OWNED. When Utility determines that its existing Service Facilities require replacement, the existing Service Facilities shall be replaced as new Service Facilities under Section D above.
- (b) APPLICANT-OWNED. When Utility determines that existing Applicant-owned service facilities (installed under a prior rule) require replacement, such replacement or reinforcement shall be accomplished under the provisions for a new service installation, except that if Utility determines that any portion of Applicant's existing service conductors can be utilized by Utility, Applicant will convey any such usable part to Utility and an appropriate credit by Utility may be allowed to Applicant.

Applicant will replace that portion of the service lateral which Applicant will continue to own subject to the provisions of Section D above.

#### 2. SERVICE RELOCATION OR REARRANGEMENT

- a. UTILITY CONVENIENCE. When, in the judgement of Utility, the relocation or rearrangement of a service, including Utility-owned transformers, is necessary for the maintenance of adequate service or for the operating convenience of Utility, Utility normally will perform such work at its own expense, except as provided Sections G.2.b. and G.5. below.
- b. APPLICANT CONVENIENCE. Any relocation or rearrangement of Utility's existing Service Facilities at the request of Applicant (aesthetics, building additions, remodeling, etc.) and agreed upon by Utility shall be performed in accordance with Section D above except that Applicant shall pay Utility its total estimated costs.

In all instances, Utility shall remove or abandon its existing facilities rendered idle by the relocation or rearrangement.

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- 3. IMPAIRED ACCESS AND CLEARANCES. Whenever Utility determines that:
  - ACCESS. Its existing Service Lateral facilities have become inaccessible (a) for inspecting, operating, maintenance, meter reading, or testing, or
  - (b) **CLEARANCES.** A hazardous condition exists or any of the required clearances between the existing Service Facilities and any object becomes impaired under any applicable laws, ordinances, rules, or regulations of Utility or public authorities, then
  - **CORRECTIVE ACTION.** Applicant or owner shall, at Applicant's or (c) owner's expense, either correct the access or clearance infractions or pay Utility its total estimated cost to relocate its facilities to a new location which is acceptable to Utility. Applicant or owner shall also be responsible for the expense to relocate any equipment which Applicant owns and maintains. Failure to comply with corrective measures within a reasonable time may result in discontinuance of service.
- OVERHEAD TO UNDERGROUND SERVICE CONVERSIONS 4.
  - (a) RULE 20. Where an existing overhead Distribution Line is replaced by an underground distribution system in accordance with Rule 20, Replacement of Overhead with Underground Electric Facilities, new underground services will be installed under Rule 16, Service Extensions.
  - **APPLICANT'S CONVENIENCE.** Where overhead services are replaced (b) by underground services for Applicant's convenience, Applicant shall perform on the private property of Applicant all Excavation, furnish and install all Substructures, and pay Utility its total estimated installed cost to complete the new service and remove the overhead facilities.
- 5. **DAMAGED FACILITIES.** When Utility's facilities are damaged by Applicant, customer, third party, or any of their agents, the repair will be made by Utility at the expense of the party responsible for the damage. Applicants are responsible for repairing their own facilities.

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**SUBDIVISION OF PREMISES.** When Utility's Service Facilities are located on private property and such private property is subsequently subdivided into separate Premises with ownership divested to other than Applicant or customer, the subdivider is required to provide Utility with adequate rights-of-way satisfactory to Utility for its existing facilities and to notify property owners of the subdivided Premises of the existence of the rights-of-way.

When adequate rights-of-way are not granted as a result of the property subdivision, Utility shall have the right, upon written notice to Applicant, to discontinue service without obligation or liability. The existing owner, Applicant, or customer shall pay to Utility the total estimated cost of any required relocation or removal of Utility's facilities. A new electric service will be re-established in accordance with the provisions of Section D above for new service and the provisions of any other applicable Utility rules.

## H. EXCEPTIONAL CASES

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When the application of this rule appears impractical or unjust to either party, or ratepayers, Utility or Applicant may refer the matter to the Commission for a special ruling or for approval of special conditions which may be mutually agreed upon.

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**Applicant:** A person or agency requesting Utility to supply electric service.

**Conduit:** Ducts, pipes, or tubes of certain metals, plastics or other materials acceptable to Utility for the installation and protection of electric wires and cables.

**Distribution Lines:** Utility's overhead and underground line which is operated at distribution voltages as set forth in Utility's Rule 2 and which is designed to supply two or more services.

**Excavation:** All necessary trenching, backfilling, and other digging as required to install service facilities including furnishing of any imported backfill material, concrete encasement to protect conduit, and disposal of trench soil, as required by Utility, surface repair and replacement, landscape repair and replacement.

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**Franchise Area:** Public streets, roads, highways, and other public ways and places where Utility has a legal right to occupy under franchise agreements with governmental bodies having jurisdiction.

**Insignificant Loads:** Small operating loads, such as but not limited to gate openers, valve controls, clocks, timing devices, transmitter services, alarm devices, etc.

**Intermittent Loads:** Loads requiring significant capacity but have low energy usage such as but limited to welders, x-ray machines, fire protection equipment, etc.

**Premises:** All of the real property and apparatus employed in a single enterprise on an integral parcel of land undivided, excepting in the case of industrial, agricultural, oil field, resort enterprises, and public or quasi-public institutions, by a dedicated street, highway or public thoroughfare or a railway. Automobile parking lots constituting a part of an adjacent to a single enterprise may be separated by an alley from the remainder of the Premises served.

**Protective Structures:** Fences, retaining walls, sound barriers, posts, barricades and other structures as required by Utility.

**Service Delivery Point:** Where Utility's Service Lateral is connected to either Applicant's conductors or other service termination facility designated and approved by Utility.

**Service Extension:** The overhead and underground primary or secondary facilities extending from the point of connection at the Distribution Line to the Service Delivery Point. When an underground Service Lateral is supplied from a Utility-designated overhead pole, the beginning point of connection to Utility's Distribution Line shall be where the Service Lateral is connected to Utility's overhead Distribution Line conductors.

**Substructures:** The surface and subsurface structures which are necessary to contain or support Utility's electric facilities. This includes but is not limited to splice boxes, pull boxes, equipment vaults and enclosures, foundations or pads for surface-mounted equipment.

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## Rule No. 15

## **ELECTRIC LINE EXTENSIONS**

# A. <u>Applicability & Construction and Design Specifications, Standards, Terms, and Conditions of a New Extension of Service Project</u>

- 1. Under the provisions of this rule Utility shall make extensions and alterations of existing electric distribution and transmission facilities, to supply new or expanded service to Applicants.
- 2. In compliance with Section 783 of the Public Utilities Code, the Utility will apply only those construction and design specifications, standards, terms, and conditions that are applicable to a new extension of service project for the 18 months following the date the application for a new extension of service project is approved.
- 3. The Utility may adopt modifications to those construction and design specifications, standards, terms, and conditions applicable to a new extension-of-service project only in accordance with any of the following:
  - a. An emergency order or decision of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) or any other state or federal agency with jurisdiction.
  - b. A work order issued by the Utility to implement construction or design changes necessitated by a customer-driven scope of work modification.
  - c. A material-related design change identified by the Utility to remedy a construction material defect that could pose a risk to public safety.
- 4. Approval date of a new extension of service application refers to the earlier of either the effective date of the contract for the extension of electric service or the date when the Utility first invoices the customer for the extension of electric service. "Invoice" to mean when the Utility presents an offer to the customer for the extension of service in response to an application for an extension of service submitted pursuant to the regulations of the CPUC and applicable specifications of the Utility.

## B Cost

- 1. All Electric Extensions and Alterations
  - a. Cost shall be the Utility's estimated cost of making such extensions and alterations by the least expensive method which is also in accordance with Utility's engineering and construction practices. Whenever Utility, at

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its option, installs facilities of greater capacity or length than would be adequate to provide the requested service, the cost for the purposes of this rule will be the Utility's estimated cost of a normal system designed with facilities of such capacity and along such a route as would be adequate to provide the requested service. Whenever the Utility, at its option and upon Applicant's request, installs facilities the cost of which exceeds that of a system deemed by the Utility to be adequate to provide the requested service, the excess cost shall be considered non-refundable.

- b. Cost may, at Utility's option, include that portion of the cost of previously installed facilities, which were installed or oversized by Utility in preparation for providing service to future customers. In no case shall Applicant be held responsible for any portion of the cost of facilities in excess of those which would have been adequate to provide the requested service.
- c. The base cost of all extensions and alterations made hereunder shall include Utility's costs for all regulatory, environmental and other fees, engineering, inspection, material, labor, transportation, costs for removal of existing facilities less their salvage value, associated overheads and other charges which are related to the extension or alteration, including any modification or improvement of existing facilities which is required to provide the requested service.
- d. Overhead Extensions and Alterations Cost shall include poles, wire, insulators, transformers, switches and other appurtenances necessary to provide the requested service.

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## B. Cost

- 1. All Electric Extensions and Alterations (continued)
  - e. Underground Extensions and Alterations (Utility shall only make underground extensions in those areas where Utility maintains or desires to maintain underground facilities for its operational convenience or in accordance with applicable laws, ordinances or similar requirements of public authorities.) Cost shall includecables, connections, (T) terminations, riser materials, transformers and other underground materials necessary to provide the requested service. Applicant shall provide and install all trench, backfilling, backfill material, excavation, breaking of pavement, paving, repaving, transformer pads, vaults, enclosures, boxes, conduits, and all other work relating to structures (T) and substructures at no expense to the Utility.
  - f. On site substations when a new substation is required, all site preparation, including but not limited to grading and fencing will be provided by Applicant at no expense to Utility.
- 2. Temporary Extensions and Alterations

In addition to all costs applicable to the installation of facilities, cost shall include the removal less salvage of facilities installed hereunder.

## C. Advances

1. An advance, equal to Utility's estimated cost, in accordance with Section B., less the free allowance provided for in Section D. will be required thirty (30) days prior to the start of construction on any extension or alteration made under the provisions of this rule. Provided, however, no advance shall be required if the difference between the Utility's estimated cost and the free allowance is less than two hundred dollars (\$200.00). Such advance shall consist of cash and a credit for Applicant installed or provided items, except that portion of an extension or alteration which will be provided by Applicant at no expense to Utility, under Section B. This credit shall be equal to Utility's estimated cost of installing or providing same, and excluding any oversized facilities - the cost of which shall be handled pursuant to Section F.2.d. of this rule.

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- 2. Utility may require an acceptable bond, letter of credit or guaranty related to the required cash advance whenever installation of the requested extension requires firm scheduling by the Utility more than thirty (30) days prior to construction. Bonds, letters of credit or guarantees provided for this purpose will be replaced with cash thirty (30) days prior to construction, except that the cost of special materials not normally stocked by Utility in the quantities needed, will be advanced in cash prior to the ordering of such materials.
- 3. In those instances where more than one Applicant is to be served jointly from the same extension or alteration, the total advance required from such group of Applicants shall be apportioned after the conclusion of the Line Extension
  Agreement, between the members of the group. At the time of the execution of said Line Extension Agreement, a single advance will be required of the sole applicant. The total advance shall equal the Utility's total cost for providing service to the group, less the combined free allowance provided for in Section D.
- 4. Cash advances related to projects with total estimated construction costs exceeding \$5,000 will be adjusted to reflect the Utility's actual cost of construction. Adjustments shall be limited to those portions of the advance pertaining to facilities installed by the Utility. Applicant installed credits will not be subject to adjustment.
- 5. All advances and advance adjustments made pursuant to Sections C.1. through C.4. above and all nonrefundable contributions required under this rule will be increased to reflect the Utility's net tax liability on such advances and/or contributions. The advance, as described above, will be multiplied by the appropriate tax liability factor, which includes cost component to cover Liberty estimated liability for Federal Income Tax and California State Tax as provided for in Preliminary Statement, Section 10.

The tax liability portion of any advance or contribution must be paid by the Customer in cash.

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## D. <u>Construction Allowances</u>

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- The allowable investment for electric customerswill be calculated individually so that the non-fuel revenues derived from such application will be sufficient to support the carrying costs on the allowable investment and a contribution to margin from that customer during the projected life of the project.
- 2. The Utility will install that portion of the line extension in excess of the allowance, subject to the payment of an advance pursuant to Section C.
- 3. As a condition for granting free allowance, the Utility may require a contract providing for:
  - a. The repayment of any free allowance granted, but not justified.
  - b. Minimum revenue guarantee and/or.
  - c. Termination/reduction of service charges.

Provided, however, the utility shall require a minimum revenue guarantee and termination/reduction of service charges for all projects the estimated construction costs of which exceed \$350,000 and for all projects of abnormal risk. Such contract may also provide that if the Applicant fails to take service in the amount stated as the basis for estimating the allowable investment, the Utility may calculate and bill the customer an amount to recover the allowance granted but not justified based on actual annual billings.

4. For projects where the special contract provisions under D.3. are unacceptable to the Utility or the Applicant, the Utility may require the entire cost of the project as an advance.

The allowance in Sections D.3 and D.4 are based on a revenue-supported methodology **(N)** using the following formula:

## ALLOWANCE = NET REVENUE + COST OF SERVICE FACTOR

Non-Residential Allowances. The allowance for Distribution Line
 Extensions, Service Extensions, or a combination thereof, for Permanent
 Non -Residential Service is determined by Liberty utilities using the formula in
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## E. Refunding

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- 2. All advances made by Applicant(s) under the provisions of this rule, which are not classified as a contribution in aid of construction by Utility, shall be subject to refund, to the party or parties entitled thereto as set forth in this section. Except as noted in Section E.3 of this rule, all refunds shall be made without interest. All refunds described below in Sections E.2. through E.9. will be increased by the same tax liability factor, from Section C.5. above, that was used in determining the original advance against which the refund is being applied.
  - 23. Refunding will be based on revenues in excess of the level used as the basis for a free allowance, derived from the following customers, who initiate service within ten (10) years of the date of the extension agreement:
    - a. Those served directly from the subject extension or alteration, as long as subject extension or alteration is the first in a series from the original point of supply for which a portion of an advance remains refundable.
    - b. Those served from subsequent extensions-of or additions-to the original extension. Refunds based on revenues in this section shall be made to the Applicant having the first extension in series from the original point of supply, for which a portion of an advance remains refundable.
  - 34. Refunds based on estimated usage levels shall be paid by the Utility within ninety (90) days of aa complete twelve (12) month period of usage data.

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  - 45. Customers who advance the entire cost of a project under Section D.4. will receive refunds based on revenues from their service in the first ten years following the date their service is connected, unless the Utility and Customer agree that a shorter refund period should be utilized. At the end of each year of service, the free allowance that would have been granted under Section D.1. had they not been subject to Section D.4. will be computed based upon their annual revenues for the past year. The refund for each year will be one tenth (.10) of such amount, so computed for that year, unless a shorter refund period has been utilized, in which event the calculation of the refund shall be adjusted to reflect the period over which the refund is being computed.

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## E. <u>Refunding</u> (continued)

- 6. In those cases where two or more parties make a joint advance on the same extension, Utility shall distribute refundable amounts to such parties in the same proportion as their individual advances bear to the joint total advance, unless otherwise directed by all parties.
- 7. Refundable amounts hereunder may be accumulated before refunding to twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) minimum or to total refundable balance if less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).
- 8. Refunds hereunder shall be made for new customer connections during the period not to exceed ten (10) years after the date of the extension agreement.
- 9. The total amount refunded hereunder shall not exceed the total amount advanced.
- 10. Except for refunds from customer connections made within ten years of contract execution, any portion of the advance which remains unrefunded ten (10) years after the date of the line extension agreement, will become the property of the Utility.

## F. General Conditions

- 1. Facilities
  - a. Utility shall install hereunder only those facilities which it deems necessary to render service in accordance with its tariff schedules. However, Utility at its option, may install facilities with greater capacity or of greater length than would be required for the service requested by Applicant. In such event, the advance required of Applicant shall be based on the estimated cost of the most economical and operationally efficient method of serving the Applicant, as detailed in Section B.
  - b. Conversions of Existing Electric Facilities
    - Overhead to underground conversions will be made entirely at Utility's option, with costs being calculated according to Section B. Free allowance and refund consideration will be given only for new or additional revenues derived from customers served from the underground facilities installed hereunder.

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## F. <u>General Conditions</u> (continued)

- 2. Single phase to three phase conversions will be made under the provisions of this rule only when Applicant qualifies for the requested service under the provisions of Rule No. 2. Costs shall be calculated according to Section B. Free allowance and refund consideration shall be given only for new or additional revenues derived from customers receiving three phase service from the conversion made hereunder.
- c. All facilities installed by Utility and Applicant hereunder shall be and remain the sole property of the Utility.
- d. Size, type, quality of material and location of facilities hereunder shall be selected by the Utility.
- e. Where either final grade or the alignment of roads, streets and alleys, in the proximity of proposed extensions, have not been established and there is a reasonable probability that said grades or alignments will be changed within three (3) years, Utility will require that Applicant deposit, cash or post an acceptable surety bond at the time of the execution of the extension agreement in the amount of the Utility's estimated cost of relocation. Upon completion of any such relocation which is made within three (3) years of the date of the original extension, Applicant shall replace said surety bond with cash in the amount of Utility's actual cost incurred in making the relocation. Where Applicant has deposited cash to cover such relocation, that deposit shall be adjusted by Applicant or Utility to reflect Utility's actual cost incurred in making the relocation.

#### 2. Construction

- a. Unless specifically provided for in Sections B or F. 2. d. all construction shall be the responsibility of the Utility or its agent.
- b. All work performed by the Applicant shall be performed in such a manner as to permit Utility to perform its work without delay and in an efficient manner.

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## F. <u>General Conditions</u>

- 2. Construction (continued)
  - c. It shall be Utility's intention to install facilities hereunder as soon as possible following completion of Applicant's obligations, however, due to work load fluctuations and Utility's obligations to perform unscheduled emergency work, both of which are beyond control of Utility, Utility will not be held responsible for damages or other inconveniences resulting from unavoidable delays in construction of facilities installed hereunder.
  - d. Applicant Installations

Applicants for line extensions shall have the option of installing facilities, in excess of those specified as being the Applicant's responsibility under this rule, only when the Utility is unable to guarantee availability of it's crews for installation or availability of a contractor to meet the Applicant's reasonable project schedule.

The Applicant must initially provide the Utility with plans and load information in a timely manner to allow the Utility to develop detailed plans, costs, and a construction schedule. A reasonable construction schedule will provide for up to ninety (90) days or one hundred and eighty (180) days for electric extensions where demand will exceed one thousand (1,000) kilowatts for design, with construction scheduled to commence within thirty (30) days from receipt of Applicant's advance or as mutually agreed between the Utility and Applicant.

The following conditions must be complied with for an Applicant to qualify to install facilities under the provisions of an Applicant installation:

- (1) All design, plans, and specifications shall be prepared by the Utility at the Applicant's expense.
- (2) All phases of the project installation shall be subject to inspection by the Utility, at Applicant's expense.
- (3) The Applicant's contractor must qualify in accordance with the Utility's guidelines for a Qualified Contractor for Utility installations. The contractor must be accepted on the Utility's Pre-Qualified Contractors List and have sufficient qualified personnel and sufficient reliable equipment to perform in a workmanlike manner before any installation is commenced.

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#### F. **General Conditions**

- 2. Construction (continued)
  - (4) The Applicant and/or his contractor must comply with the Utility's Gas/Water Distribution System Improvement Standards and/or Electric Installation Guide, and also any additionally specified construction standards and/or governmental requirements, i.e., OSHA, City, County, State, etc. that may apply, in all phases of the project installation.
  - (5) The Applicant must provide all material in accordance with the specifications of Utility's stock materials catalogs and all material provided will be subject to acceptance by the Utility, based on inspections by the Utility at Applicant's expense.
  - The Applicant must also agree to guarantee all material and workmanship (6) against defects for one (1) year following final acceptance of the work by the Utility. This guarantee shall be made a part of the Utility's Line and Main Extension Agreement.
  - If, during installation of facilities under provisions of an Applicant (7) installation, the Applicant's contractor, for any reason, must cease work on the installation, the Utility must be notified by the contractor at least five (5) working days prior to recommencement of work.
  - (8) The Applicant must agree to install any oversized facilities specified by the Utility. The Applicant will be reimbursed the Utility's estimated cost difference of the oversized facility and a facility sufficient to provide required service. This cost will consist of:
    - (a) The additional cost of oversized facility (when provided by the Applicant).
    - The Utility's estimated additional cost to install the oversized (b) facility.
    - The Utility's estimated additional cost to provide and install extra (c) trench and backfill required for the oversized facility.

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## F. <u>General Conditions</u>

2. Construction (continued)

The Applicant will be reimbursed the cost of oversizing thirty (30) days prior to the start of construction or the advance otherwise due Utility may be reduced to reflect a credit for such oversizing.

- (9) The Applicant must start the project in accordance with the Utility's established schedule and pursue the work in a satisfactory rate.
- 3. Extension Agreements
  - a. All Applicants requesting service under the provisions of this rule shall be required to enter into Extension Agreements covering the terms under which Utility shall make extensions and/or alterations.
  - b. Refunds due and payable pursuant to any agreement entered into under this rule may be assigned upon written notice to Utility by the holder of said Agreement, as shown on Utility's records. Such assignment shall apply only to those refunds which become due more than thirty (30) days after date of receipt by Utility of the notice of assignment.
- 4. Estimates, Plans and Specifications
  - Upon request by potential Applicants for extensions, Utility shall, without charge, prepare preliminary sketches and estimates of costs and amounts to be advanced from such information as provided by Applicants.
  - b. Applicants for extensions and/or alterations of facilities requesting Utility to prepare detailed plans, specifications and cost estimates shall be required to deposit the estimated cost of preparation of such material.
    - Such requests shall be accompanied by maps to suitable scale showing street and lot layouts, and if requested by Utility, contours or other indications of relative elevations of various parts of area to be developed. Applicant shall also provide a proposed construction schedule and service date.

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## F. General Conditions

- 4. Estimates, Plans and Specifications (continued)
  - 2. As requested by Utility, Applicant shall furnish any required property ownership, property description, plot plan or record of survey information concerning the area to be served under the provisions of this rule.
  - 3. If changes are made subsequent to the presentation of the aforesaid information and these changes require additional expense to Utility in revising plans, specifications and cost estimates, this additional expense shall also be advanced by Applicants.
  - 4. Utility shall, upon request, make available within ninety (90) days after receipt of the deposit or deposits referred to above, such plans, specifications and cost estimates of proposed extensions except that such information relative to electric extensions to serve projects where demand will exceed 1,000 kilowatts, will be provided within one hundred and eighty (180) days after deposit receipt. If extensions are to include oversizing of facilities to be done at Utility's expense, appropriate details shall be set forth in the plans, specifications and cost estimates.
  - 5. If an extension agreement is executed between such Applicants and Utility within twelve (12) months after detailed plans, specifications and cost estimates are furnished, the aforesaid deposit or deposits shall become a part of any required advances and shall be refunded in accordance with the extension agreement.
  - 6. If an extension agreement is not executed between such Applicants and Utility within twelve (12) months after detailed plans, specifications and cost estimates are furnished, the aforesaid deposit or deposits shall be forfeited.
  - c. Estimates provided hereunder shall be firm for a period of three (3) months after the date of transmittal.

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## **ELECTRIC LINE EXTENSIONS**

- F. <u>General Conditions</u> (continued)
  - 5. Easements, Rights-of-Way, and Permits
    - a. Utility shall only make extensions under this rule when such extension will be located in a public street, road or highway which Utility has the legal right to occupy or on public lands and private property across which rights-of-way, easements or permits satisfactory to the Utility may be obtained.
    - b. Utility shall not purchase rights-of-way for extensions made under the provisions of this rule.
  - 6. Utility shall maintain detailed records of actual costs and provide all Applicants with an opportunity for review of such records, for a period of three (3) years following completion of the line or main extension.
  - 7. In case of disagreement or dispute regarding application of any provision of this rule, or in circumstances where application of this rule appears unreasonable to either party, Utility or Applicant may refer the matter to the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California for determination. During the period that the Commission is deliberating over a dispute submitted to it by either the Utility or Applicant, Utility or Applicant shall not delay the start of construction nor discontinue construction.
  - 8. Customer contributions for all work, inspections, etc., under these General Conditions will be increased to reflect the Utilities net tax liability, which includes cost component to cover CalPeco's estimated liability for Federal Income Tax and California State Tax as provided for in Preliminary Statement, Section 10.

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## Rule No. 16

## **SERVICE EXTENSIONS**

**APPLICABILITY:** This rule is applicable to both (1) Utility Service Facilities that extend from Utility's Distribution Line faci lities to the Service Delivery Point, and (2) service related equipment required of Applicant on Applicant's Premises to receive electric service.

## A. CONSTRUCTION AND DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS, STANDARDS, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS OF A NEW EXTENSION OF SERVICE PROJECT

- 1. In compliance with Section 783 of the Public Utilities Code, the Utility will apply only those construction and design specifications, standards, terms, and conditions that are applicable to a new extension of service project for the 18 months following the date the application for a new extension of service project is approved.
- 2. The Utility may adopt modifications to those construction and design specifications, standards, terms, and conditions applicable to a new extension-of-service project only in accordance with any of the following:
  - a. An emergency order or decision of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) or any other state or federal agency with jurisdiction.
  - b. A work order issued by the Utility to implement construction or design changes necessitated by a customer-driven scope of work modification.
  - c. A material-related design change identified by the Utility to remedy a construction material defect that could pose a risk to public safety.
- 3. Approval date of a new extension of service application refers to the earlier of either the effective date of the contract for the extension of electric service or the date when the Utility first invoices the customer for the extension of electric service. "Invoice" to mean when the Utility presents an offer to the customer for the extension of service in response to an application for an extension of service submitted pursuant to the regulations of the CPUC and applicable specifications of the Utility.

## B. GENERAL

1. **DESIGN.** Utility will be responsible for planning, designing, and engineering its Service Facilities and Service Lateral facilities using Utility's standards for design, materials and construction.

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## **SERVICE EXTENSIONS**

- B. **GENERAL** (Continued)
  - 2. **SERVICE FACILITIES:** Utility's Service Facilities shall consist of (a) underground service lateral or overhead service conductors, (b) poles to support overhead service conductors, (c) service transformers, (d) metering equipment, and (e) other Utility-owned service related equipment.
  - 3. OWNERSHIP OF FACILITIES. Service Facilities installed under the provisions of this rule shall be owned, operated, and maintained by Utility if they are (a) located in the street, road or Franchise Area of Utility, (b) installed by Utility under section D.2 below on Applicant's Premises for the purpose of the delivery of electric energy to Applicant, or (c) installed by Applicant under the provisions of this rule, and conveyed to Utility.
  - **4. PRIVATE LINES.** Utility shall not be required to connect Service Facilities to or serve any Applicant from electric facilities that are not owned, operated, and maintained by Utility.
  - 5. SPECIAL OR ADDED FACILITIES. Any special or added facilities Utility installs at the request of Applicant, will be installed at Applicant's expense in accordance with Rule 2, Description of Service.
  - 6. **TEMPORARY SERVICE FACILITIES.** Service Facilities installed for temporary service or for operations of speculative character or questionable permanency shall be made in accordance with the fundamental installation and ownership provisions of this rule, except that all charges and refunds shall be made under the provisions of Rule 13, Temporary Service.
  - 7. STREET LIGHTS. Street light services and appurtenant facilities shall be installed in accordance with the service provisions of the applicable street light schedule.
  - 8. CONTRACTS. Each Applicant requesting service may be required to execute a written contract(s) prior to Utility performing its work to establish service. Such contract(s) shall be in the form on file with the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission).

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## **SERVICE EXTENSIONS**

- B. **GENERAL** (Continued)
  - 9. **DISTRIBUTION LINE EXTENSIONS.** Whenever Utility's distribution system is not complete to the point designated by Utility where the Service Lateral is to be connected to Utility's distribution system, or said Utility distribution system must be upgraded to provide new service lateral, applicants project would then fall under the Rule 15 designation and would follow in accordance with Rule 15, Distribution Line Extensions.
  - **10. RIGHTS-OF-WAY.** Rights-of-way or easements maybe required by Utility to install Service Facilities on Applicant's property to serve only Applicant.
    - a. **SERVICE FACILITIES.** If the Service Facilities must cross property owned by a third party to serve Applicant, Utility may, at its option, install such Service Facilities after appropriate rights-of-way or easements, satisfactory to Utility, are obtained without cost to Utility; or
    - b. LINE EXTENSIONS. If Utility's facilities installed on Applicant's property, or third-party property, will be or are designed to serve adjacent property, then Utility may, at its option, install its facilities under Rule 15, after appropriate rights-of-way or easements, satisfactory to Utility, are obtained without cost to Utility.
    - **c. CLEARANCES.** Any necessary rights-of-way or easements for Utility's facilities shall have provisions to maintain legal clearances from adjacent structures.
  - 11. ACCESS TO APPLICANT'S PREMISES. Utility shall at all times have the right to enter and leave Applicant's Premises for any purpose connected with the furnishing of electric service (meter reading, inspection, testing, routine repairs, replacement, maintenance, emergency work, etc.) and the exercise of any and all rights secured to it by law, or under Utility's tariff schedules. These rights include, but are not limited to,
    - **a.** The use of a utility-approved locking device, if Applicant desires to prevent unauthorized access to Utility's facilities;
    - **b.** Safe and ready access for Utility personnel free from unrestrained animals,

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- 1. **GENERAL** 
  - METER ALL USAGE. Utility will meter delivery of all electric power and a. energy, unless otherwise provided for by Utility's tariff schedules or by other applicable laws.
  - **METER LOCATION.** All utility meters and associated metering b. equipment shall be located at some protected location on Applicant's Premises as approved by Utility.
- 2. **NUMBER OF METERS.** Utility normally will install only one meter for a single-family residence or a single non-residential enterprise on a single Premises except:
  - a. When otherwise required or allowed under Utility's tariff schedules:
  - At the option of and as determined by Utility, for its operating b. convenience, consistent with its engineering design; or
  - When required by law or local ordinance. C.

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2. **NUMBER OF METERS** (Continued)

A single meter is required for each single enterprise operating in one building or group of buildings or other development on a single Premises such as, but not limited to, a commercial business, school campus, industrial manufacturer or recreational vehicle park, unless otherwise approved by Utility. See Rule 2 for more information.

- **MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY.** In a building with two or more tenants, or where Utility furnishes more than one meter on the same Premises, Utility's meters normally shall be grouped at one central location, or as otherwise specified by Utility, and each meter position or socket shall be clearly and permanently marked by Applicant, customer, or owner of the Premises to indicate the particular unit, occupancy, or load supplied by it.
  - a. **RESIDENTIAL.** Utility will individually meter electric service to every residential unit in a residential building or group of buildings or other development with multiple tenants such as, but not limited to, apartment buildings, mobile home parks, etc., except as may be specified in Rule 2 and applicable rate schedules.
  - b. NON-RESIDENTIAL. Utility will individually meter electric service to each tenant in a non-residential building or group of buildings or other development on a single Premises with multiple tenants or enterprises (such as, but not limited to, an office building or shopping center complex). Alternative metering arrangements as determined by Utility may be allowed only as specified in Rule 2 and applicable rate schedules.

## D. SERVICE LATERAL FACILITIES

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- **1. GENERAL LOCATION.** The location of the Service Lateral facilities shall extend:
  - a. FRANCHISE AREA. From the point of connection at the Distribution Line to Applicant's nearest property line abutting upon any street, highway, road, or right-of-way, along which it already has, or will install distribution facilities, and

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- 1. **GENERAL LOCATION** (Continued)
  - b. **PRIVATE PROPERTY.** A further extension on private property, along the shortest, most practical and available route (clear of obstructions) as necessary to reach a Service Delivery Point designated by Utility.
- 2. **NUMBER OF SERVICE LATERALS.** Utility will not normally provide more than one Service Lateral, including associated facilities, either overhead or underground for any one building or group of buildings, for a single enterprise on a single Premises, except:
  - **TARIFF SCHEDULES.** Where otherwise allowed or required under a. Utility's tariff schedules; or
  - **UTILITY CONVENIENCE.** At the option of and as determined by Utility, b. for its operating convenience, consistent with its engineering design for different voltage and phase classification, or when replacing an existing service; or
  - **ORDINANCE.** Where required by ordinance or other applicable law, for C. such things as fire pumps, fire alarm systems, etc.
  - OTHER. Utility may charge for additional services provided under this d. paragraph, as special or added facilities.
- 3. **UNDERGROUND INSTALLATIONS.** Underground services will be installed:
  - **UNDERGROUND REQUIRED.** Underground services (1) shall be a. installed where required to comply with applicable tariff schedules, laws, ordinances, or similar requirements of governmental authorities having jurisdiction, and (2) may be necessary as determined by Utility where Applicant's load requires a separate transformer installation of 75 KVa or greater.
  - **UNDERGROUND OPTIONAL.** An underground service may be installed b. in an area where it is not otherwise required and when requested by Applicant and agreed upon by Utility.

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- **OVERHEAD INSTALLATIONS.** Overhead services are permitted except under 4. the circumstances specified in section C.3.a above.
- 5. UNUSUAL SITE CONDITIONS. In cases where Applicant's building is located a considerable distance from the available Distribution Line or where there is an obstruction or other deterrent obstacle or hazard such a plowed land, ditches, or inaccessible security areas between Utility's Distribution Line and Applicant's building or facility to be served that would prevent Utility from prudently installing, owning, and maintaining its Service Facilities, Utility may at its discretion, waive the normal Service Delivery Point location. In such cases, the Service Delivery Point will be at such other location on Applicant's property as may be mutually agreed upon; or, alternatively, the Service Delivery Point may be located at or near Applicant's property line as close as practical to the available Distribution Line.

#### E. RESPONSIBILITIES FOR NEW SERVICE FACILITIES

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- 1. **APPLICANT RESPONSIBILITY.** In accordance with Utility's design. specifications, and requirements for the installation of Service Facilities, subject to Utility's inspection and approval, Applicant is responsible for:
  - SERVICE LATERAL FACILITIES. a.
    - (1) **CLEAR ROUTE.** Providing (or paying for) a route on any private property that is clear of obstructions which would inhibit the construction of either underground or overhead Service Facilities.
    - **EXCAVATION.** All necessary trenching, backfilling, and other (2) digging as required including permit fees.
    - (3) CONDUIT AND SUBSTRUCTURES.
      - Furnishing, installing, owning, and maintaining all Conduits (a) (including pull wires) and Substructures on Applicant's Premises.

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- 1. APPLICANT RESPONSIBILITY. (Continued)
  - a. SERVICE LATERAL FACILITIES. (Continued)
    - (3) CONDUIT AND SUBSTRUCTURES
      - (b) Installing (or paying for) any Conduits and Substructures in Utility's Franchise Area (or rights-of-way, if applicable) as necessary to install Applicant's Service Lateral.
      - (c) Conveying ownership to Utility upon its acceptance of those Conduits and Substructures not on Applicant's Premises.
    - (4) PROTECTIVE STRUCTURES. Furnishing, installing, owning, and maintaining all necessary Protective Structures as specified by Utility for Utility's facilities on Applicant Premises.
  - b. APPLICANT'S FACILITY DESIGN AND OPERATION. Applicant shall be solely responsible to plan, design, install, own, maintain, and operate facilities and equipment beyond the Service Delivery Point (except for Utility's metering facilities) in order to properly receive and utilize the type of electric service available from Utility. Refer to Rule 2 for a description, among other things, of:
    - (1) Available service delivery voltages and the technical requirements and conditions to qualify for them,
    - (2) Customer utilization voltages,
    - (3) Load Balancing requirements,
    - (4) Requirements for installing electrical protective devices,
    - (5) Loads that may cause service interference to others, and
    - **(6)** Motor starting limitations.
  - c. REQUIRED SERVICE EQUIPMENT. Applicant shall, at its sole liability, risk, and expense, be responsible to furnish, install, own, maintain, inspect, and keep in good and safe condition, all facilities of any kind or character on Applicant's Premises that are not the responsibility of Utility but are required by Utility for Applicant to receive service. Such facilities

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- 1. **APPLICANT RESPONSIBILITY.** (Continued)
  - **REQUIRED SERVICE EQUIPMENT.** (Continued) C. shall include but are not limited to the overhead or underground Service Lateral termination equipment, Conduits, service entrance conductors from the Service Delivery Point to the location of Utility's metering facilities, connectors, meter sockets, meter and instrument transformer housing, service switches, circuit breakers, fuses, relays, wireways, metered conductors, machinery and apparatus of any kind or character. Detailed information on Utility's service equipment requirements will be furnished by Utility.
  - COORDINATION OF ELECTRICAL PROTECTIVE DEVICES. When, as d. determined by Utility, Applicant's load is of sufficient size as to require coordination of response time characteristics between Applicant's electrical protective devices (circuit breakers, fuses, relays, etc.) and those of Utility, it shall be Applicant's responsibility to provide such coordination in accordance with Rule 2.
  - LIABILITY. Utility shall incur no liability whatsoever, for any damage, e. loss or injury occasioned by:
    - Applicant-owned equipment or Applicant's transmission and (1) delivery of energy or,
    - (2) The negligence, omission of proper protective devices, want of proper care, or wrongful act of Applicant, or any agents, employees, or licensees of Applicant, on the part of Applicant in installing, maintaining, using, operating, or interfering with any such conductors, lines, machinery, or apparatus.
  - f. **FACILITY TAMPERING.** Applicant shall provide a suitable means acceptable to Utility for placing its seals on meter rings and covers of service enclosures and instrument transformer enclosures which protect unmetered energized conductors installed by Applicant. All Utility-owned meters and enclosure covers will be sealed only by Utility's authorized employees and such seals shall be broken only by Utility's authorized

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transformer installation including any necessary switches, capacitors, and electric protective equipment where required if (a) in an overhead area, Utility determines that the load to be served is such that a separate transformer installation, or (b) if Utility determines that the installation of a padmounted or subsurface transformer of any size is required on Applicant's Premises to serve only Applicant.

on Applicant's Premises at a location approved by Utility for a standard

SPACE FOR TRANSFORMERS. Applicant shall provide space

PADMOUNTED EQUIPMENT. In Utility's standard installation, Applicant shall furnish, install, own, and maintain, at its expense, Substructures and any required Protective Structures as specified by Utility for the proper installation of the transformer, switches, capacitors, etc. as determined by Utility.

SINGLE UTILITY-OWNED CUSTOMER SUBSTATION. When Utility elects for its operating convenience to supply Applicant from a transmission line and install a Utility-owned substation on Applicant's Premises, Applicant shall furnish, install, own and maintain at its expense the necessary site improvements as specified by Utility for the proper installation of the transformer. Such improvements shall include but are not limited to a

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concrete pad	(3) SINGLE UTILITY-OWNED CUSTOMER SUBSTATION. (Continued) or foundation, grounding system, fences and gates, access road, grading, and paving as required, etc. Detailed information on Utility's requirements for a single customer substation will be furnished by Utility.
	(4) TRANSFORMER ROOM OR VAULT. Where Applicant request and Utility approves the installation of the transformer(s) in a vault or room on Applicant's Premises, rather than Utility's standard padmounted installation,
	(a) The room or vault on Applicant's Premises shall be furnished, installed, owned, and maintained by Applicant and shall meet Utility's specifications for such things as access, ventilation, drainage, grounding system, etc.
	(b) If space cannot be provided on Applicant's Premises for the installation of a transformer on either a pad or in a room or vault, a vault will be installed at Applicant's expense in the street near the property line. It shall be Applicant's responsibility to install (or pay for) such vault if not restricted by governmental authority having jurisdiction and Applicant shall convey ownership of the vault to Utility upon its acceptance. The additional facilities shall be treated as special or added facilities under the provisions of Rule 2.
	(c) If Utility's installed cost for the transformer in the room or vault is more costly than the standard padmounted transformer installation, the additional costs shall be paid by Applicant as special or added facilities.

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- E. RESPONSIBILITIES FOR NEW SERVICE FACILITIES (Continued)
  - 2. UTILITY RESPONSIBILITY
    - a. SERVICE, METER, AND TRANSFORMER. Utility will furnish, install, own, and maintain the following Service Facilities as applicable after Applicant meets all requirements to receive service:
      - (1) UNDERGROUND SERVICE. A set of Service Lateral conductors to supply permanent service from the Distribution Line source to the Service Delivery Point approved by Utility.
      - (2) RISER MATERIALS. Any necessary pole riser material for connecting underground services to an overhead Distribution Line.
      - (3) OVERHEAD SERVICE. An overhead Service conductor to supply permanent service from a Distribution Line source to a suitable support at the Service Delivery Point approved by Utility. Such support shall be of a type and located such that service wires may be stalled in accordance with good engineering practice and in compliance with all applicable laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations including those governing clearances and points of attachment.
      - (4) **METERING.** The necessary instrument transformers where required, test facilities, meters, associated metering equipment and the metering enclosures when Utility elects to locate metering equipment at a point that is not accessible to Applicant.

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  - 2. UTILITY RESPONSIBILITY (Continued)
    - (5) TRANSFORMER. The transformer where required, including any necessary switches, capacitors, electrical protective equipment, etc. When either a pad-mounted or overhead transformer is installed on Applicant's Premises, the Service Extension shall include the primary conductors from the connection point at the distribution supply line to the transformer and the secondary conductors, if any, from the transformer to the Service Delivery Point.
  - b. SPECIAL CONDUIT INSTALLATIONS. Utility shall own and maintain Service Lateral Conduits only if: (1) they are located in the same trench with distribution facilities, and (2) when it is necessary to locate Conduits on property other than that owned by Applicant, as determined by Utility, or as may be required by local authorities.
  - c. CABLE-IN-CONDUIT. In those cases where Utility elects to install its Service Lateral conductors using pre-assembled cable-in-conduit (CIC), the conduit portion will be considered a part of the conductor installation provided by Utility.
  - d. GOVERNMENT INSPECTION. Utility will establish electric service to Applicant following notice from the governmental authority having jurisdiction that the Applicant-owned facilities have been installed and inspected in accordance with any applicable laws, codes, ordinances, rules, or regulations, and are safe to energize.
  - 3. INSTALLATION OPTIONS.
    - (a) UTILITY-PERFORMED WORK. Where requested by Applicant and mutually agreed upon, Utility may perform that portion of the new service extension work normally the responsibility of Applicant according to Section D.1 above provided Applicant pays Utility its estimated installed cost.

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#### G. EXISTING SERVICE FACILITIES

#### 1. SERVICE REINFORCEMENT

- (a) UTILITY-OWNED. When Utility determines that its existing Service Facilities require replacement, the existing Service Facilities shall be replaced as new Service Facilities under Section D above.
- (b) APPLICANT-OWNED. When Utility determines that existing Applicant-owned service facilities (installed under a prior rule) require replacement, such replacement or reinforcement shall be accomplished under the provisions for a new service installation, except that if Utility determines that any portion of Applicant's existing service conductors can be utilized by Utility, Applicant will convey any such usable part to Utility and an appropriate credit by Utility may be allowed to Applicant.

Applicant will replace that portion of the service lateral which Applicant will continue to own subject to the provisions of Section D above.

#### 2. SERVICE RELOCATION OR REARRANGEMENT

- a. UTILITY CONVENIENCE. When, in the judgement of Utility, the relocation or rearrangement of a service, including Utility-owned transformers, is necessary for the maintenance of adequate service or for the operating convenience of Utility, Utility normally will perform such work at its own expense, except as provided Sections G.2.b. and G.5. below.
- b. APPLICANT CONVENIENCE. Any relocation or rearrangement of Utility's existing Service Facilities at the request of Applicant (aesthetics, building additions, remodeling, etc.) and agreed upon by Utility shall be performed in accordance with Section D above except that Applicant shall pay Utility its total estimated costs.

In all instances, Utility shall remove or abandon its existing facilities rendered idle by the relocation or rearrangement.

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- 3. **IMPAIRED ACCESS AND CLEARANCES.** Whenever Utility determines that:
  - (a) ACCESS. Its existing Service Lateral facilities have become inaccessible for inspecting, operating, maintenance, meter reading, or testing, or
  - (b) CLEARANCES. A hazardous condition exists or any of the required clearances between the existing Service Facilities and any object becomes impaired under any applicable laws, ordinances, rules, or regulations of Utility or public authorities, then
  - (c) CORRECTIVE ACTION. Applicant or owner shall, at Applicant's or owner's expense, either correct the access or clearance infractions or pay Utility its total estimated cost to relocate its facilities to a new location which is acceptable to Utility. Applicant or owner shall also be responsible for the expense to relocate any equipment which Applicant owns and maintains. Failure to comply with corrective measures within a reasonable time may result in discontinuance of service.
- 4. OVERHEAD TO UNDERGROUND SERVICE CONVERSIONS
  - (a) RULE 20. Where an existing overhead Distribution Line is replaced by an underground distribution system in accordance with Rule 20, Replacement of Overhead with Underground Electric Facilities, new underground services will be installed under Rule 16, Service Extensions.
  - (b) APPLICANT'S CONVENIENCE. Where overhead services are replaced by underground services for Applicant's convenience, Applicant shall perform on the private property of Applicant all Excavation, furnish and install all Substructures, and pay Utility its total estimated installed cost to complete the new service and remove the overhead facilities.
- **5. DAMAGED FACILITIES.** When Utility's facilities are damaged by Applicant, customer, third party, or any of their agents, the repair will be made by Utility at the expense of the party responsible for the damage. Applicants are responsible for repairing their own facilities.

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**SUBDIVISION OF PREMISES.** When Utility's Service Facilities are located on private property and such private property is subsequently subdivided into separate Premises with ownership divested to other than Applicant or customer, the subdivider is required to provide Utility with adequate rights-of-way satisfactory to Utility for its existing facilities and to notify property owners of the subdivided Premises of the existence of the rights-of-way.

When adequate rights-of-way are not granted as a result of the property subdivision, Utility shall have the right, upon written notice to Applicant, to discontinue service without obligation or liability. The existing owner, Applicant, or customer shall pay to Utility the total estimated cost of any required relocation or removal of Utility's facilities. A new electric service will be re-established in accordance with the provisions of Section D above for new service and the provisions of any other applicable Utility rules.

## H. EXCEPTIONAL CASES

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When the application of this rule appears impractical or unjust to either party, or ratepayers, Utility or Applicant may refer the matter to the Commission for a special ruling or for approval of special conditions which may be mutually agreed upon.

## I. DEFINITIONS FOR RULE 16

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**Applicant:** A person or agency requesting Utility to supply electric service.

**Conduit:** Ducts, pipes, or tubes of certain metals, plastics or other materials acceptable to Utility for the installation and protection of electric wires and cables.

**Distribution Lines:** Utility's overhead and underground line which is operated at distribution voltages as set forth in Utility's Rule 2 and which is designed to supply two or more services.

**Excavation:** All necessary trenching, backfilling, and other digging as required to install service facilities including furnishing of any imported backfill material, concrete encasement to protect conduit, and disposal of trench soil, as required by Utility, surface repair and replacement, landscape repair and replacement.

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Franchise Area: Public streets, roads, highways, and other public ways and places where Utility has a legal right to occupy under franchise agreements with governmental bodies having jurisdiction.

**Insignificant Loads:** Small operating loads, such as but not limited to gate openers, valve controls, clocks, timing devices, transmitter services, alarm devices, etc.

Intermittent Loads: Loads requiring significant capacity but have low energy usage such as but limited to welders, x-ray machines, fire protection equipment, etc.

**Premises:** All of the real property and apparatus employed in a single enterprise on an integral parcel of land undivided, excepting in the case of industrial, agricultural, oil field, resort enterprises, and public or quasi-public institutions, by a dedicated street, highway or public thoroughfare or a railway. Automobile parking lots constituting a part of an adjacent to a single enterprise may be separated by an alley from the remainder of the Premises served.

Protective Structures: Fences, retaining walls, sound barriers, posts, barricades and other structures as required by Utility.

Service Delivery Point: Where Utility's Service Lateral is connected to either Applicant's conductors or other service termination facility designated and approved by Utility.

Service Extension: The overhead and underground primary or secondary facilities extending from the point of connection at the Distribution Line to the Service Delivery Point. When an underground Service Lateral is supplied from a Utility-designated overhead pole, the beginning point of connection to Utility's Distribution Line shall be where the Service Lateral is connected to Utility's overhead Distribution Line conductors.

Substructures: The surface and subsurface structures which are necessary to contain or support Utility's electric facilities. This includes but is not limited to splice boxes, pull boxes, equipment vaults and enclosures, foundations or pads for surface-mounted equipment.

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# California Public Utilities Commission

# ADVICE LETTER



ENERGIUILIII	OF CALL		
MUST BE COMPLETED BY UTILITY (Attach additional pages as needed)			
Company name/CPUC Utility No.: Liberty Utilities (CalPeco Electric) LLC (U-933 E)			
Utility type:  GAS WATER  PLC HEAT	Contact Person: Elly O'Doherty Phone #: 530-807-8987 E-mail: Elly.Odoherty@libertyutilities.com E-mail Disposition Notice to: AnnMarie.Sanchez@libertyutilities.com		
EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE  ELC = Electric GAS = Gas WATER = Water  PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat	(Date Submitted / Received Stamp by CPUC)		
Advice Letter (AL) #: 223-E-C	Tier Designation: 1		
Subject of AL: Revisions to Rule No. 15 and Rule No. 16  Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Line Extensions, Rules  AL Type: ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ✓ Annual ☐ One-Time ☐ Other:  If AL submitted in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #:			
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Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? I	· ·		
Summarize differences between the AL and th	· ·		
Confidential treatment requested? Yes No  If yes, specification of confidential information:  Confidential information will be made available to appropriate parties who execute a nondisclosure agreement. Name and contact information to request nondisclosure agreement/ access to confidential information:			
Resolution required? Yes V No			
Requested effective date: $1/1/25$	No. of tariff sheets: 33		
Estimated system annual revenue effect (%): varies by rate class, see Advice Letter			
Estimated system average rate effect (%): varies by rate class, see Advice Letter			
When rates are affected by AL, include attachment in AL showing average rate effects on customer classes (residential, small commercial, large C/I, agricultural, lighting).			
Tariff schedules affected: Rule No. 15, Rule No. 16			
Service affected and changes proposed <sup>1:</sup> see advice letter			
Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: $_{ m N/A}$			

# Protests and all other correspondence regarding this AL are due no later than 20 days after the date of this submittal, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to:

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## **ENERGY Advice Letter Keywords**

Affiliate	Direct Access	Preliminary Statement
Agreements	Disconnect Service	Procurement
Agriculture	ECAC / Energy Cost Adjustment	Qualifying Facility
Avoided Cost	EOR / Enhanced Oil Recovery	Rebates
Balancing Account	Energy Charge	Refunds
Baseline	Energy Efficiency	Reliability
Bilingual	Establish Service	Re-MAT/Bio-MAT
Billings	Expand Service Area	Revenue Allocation
Bioenergy	Forms	Rule 21
Brokerage Fees	Franchise Fee / User Tax	Rules
CARE	G.O. 131-D	Section 851
CPUC Reimbursement Fee	GRC / General Rate Case	Self Generation
Capacity	Hazardous Waste	Service Area Map
Cogeneration	Increase Rates	Service Outage
Compliance	Interruptible Service	Solar
Conditions of Service	Interutility Transportation	Standby Service
Connection	LIEE / Low-Income Energy Efficiency	Storage
Conservation	LIRA / Low-Income Ratepayer Assistance	Street Lights
Consolidate Tariffs	Late Payment Charge	Surcharges
Contracts	Line Extensions	Tariffs
Core	Memorandum Account	Taxes
Credit	Metered Energy Efficiency	Text Changes
Curtailable Service	Metering	Transformer
Customer Charge	Mobile Home Parks	Transition Cost
Customer Owned Generation	Name Change	Transmission Lines
Decrease Rates	Non-Core	Transportation Electrification
Demand Charge	Non-firm Service Contracts	Transportation Rates
Demand Side Fund	Nuclear	Undergrounding
Demand Side Management	Oil Pipelines	Voltage Discount
Demand Side Response	PBR / Performance Based Ratemaking	Wind Power
Deposits	Portfolio	Withdrawal of Service
Depreciation	Power Lines	