#### SERVICE REGULATIONS

#### 1. SERVICE AGREEMENT

- (a) Description: The Service Agreement (hereinafter sometimes termed "Agreement") shall consist of (1) Company's form of Application for Supply of Electricity, when signed by Customer and accepted by Company, (2) the applicable Schedule and Riders and (3) these Service Regulations, and all changes, revisions, alterations therein, or substitutions therefor lawfully made; provided that when the requested supply of electricity (1) is for residential uses or (2) is for other uses when the Customer's contract demand (a) is initially less than 1,000 kW or (b) does not require an increase in Company's facilities when the demand increases to 1,000 kW or more, and (3) when no extra charges for installation or other special contractual provisions are involved, the Customer's application and the Company's acceptance thereof may be verbal, and in such event the Company's applicable Schedule, Riders and these Service Regulations shall be effective in the same manner as if Company's form of Application for Supply of Electricity had been signed by Customer and accepted by Company. Such a verbal Service Agreement shall be conclusively presumed, when there is no written application by a Customer accepted in writing by the Company, if electricity supplied by the Company is used by Customer or is used on Customer's premises.
- (b) Application of Service Regulations and Schedules: All Service Agreements in effect at the time of the approval hereof or that may be entered into in the future, are made expressly subject to these Service Regulations, and subject to all applicable Schedules and Riders, and any changes therein, substitutions therefor, or additions thereto lawfully made.
- (c) <u>Selection of Optional Schedules</u>: Where two or more rate schedules and/or riders are available, Company will attempt to assist Customer to a reasonable extent in determining which rate schedule and/or rider to select. It is the Customer's right and responsibility to select the available rate and/or rider. The Company will not assume responsibility for this choice since the control of the electric usage is under Customer's ultimate control.
- (d) <u>Conflicts</u>: In case of conflict between any provision of a Schedule or Rider and of these Service Regulations, the provision of the Schedule or the Rider shall prevail.
- (e) <u>Transfer of Agreement</u>: A Service Agreement between the Company and Customer may be transferred and assigned by the Customer to any person, firm, or corporation purchasing or leasing and intending to continue the operation of the plant or business which is being served under such Agreement, subject to the written approval of the Company. The Company will grant such approval upon being reasonably satisfied that the assignee will fulfill the terms of the Agreement and if, at Company's option, a satisfactory guarantee for the payment of bills is furnished by assignee.
- (f) Suspension of Billing Under Agreement at Customer's Request: If Customer is temporarily unable to take the electricity contracted for due to physical destruction of or damage to his premises, Company will, upon written request of Customer, and for a period reasonably required to replace or repair such premises, suspend billing under the Agreement effective with the beginning of the next ensuing billing period. However, if Customer desires to use electricity in a lesser amount than the minimum provided in the Agreement it will be supplied and billed under Company's Schedule and Riders applicable to his use.

The Service Charge and any temporary service charges for electric service to temporary facilities will not be applied when Company's construction costs of such construction do not exceed a reasonable amount or to reestablish permanent electric service. A residential or small

conducts a business in his residence, for which business electricity is used, Company will supply an electricity through one meter under the Schedule applicable to the classification for his business use, unless Customer's wiring is so arranged that his residential use and his business use can be separately metered, in which event the appropriate Schedule will be applied to each such use.

In the event Customer utilizes a form of load control, such controls shall not cause a demand to be placed on Company's facilities which, in Company's opinion, unreasonably exceeds the integrated metered demand. Company reserves the right to determine the maximum fifteen-minute demand on a rolling time interval rather than the time interval of the metering facility in order to reflect the effect of any such controlled demand. The rolling time interval may or may not coincide with a time interval, if any, being supplied to Customer.

Customer shall not without the written assent of Company connect his installation to lines which cross over or under any public or semi-public space in order to supply electricity purchased through one meter to his adjacent properties. Such written assent may be given only in instances where such adjacent properties are operated as one integral unit under the same name and proprietorship and for carrying on parts of the same business, and where a separate type of business is not involved.

### 6. CONTRACT DEMAND

- (a) The Contract Demand shall be the kW of demand specified in the Service Agreement. In cases where any change is required in Company's facilities due to the actual demand exceeding the Contract Demand or due to Customer requesting an increase in available capacity, Company may require Customer to execute a new Agreement or amend an existing Agreement, thereby establishing a new Contract Demand. If Company is unable to supply such actual or requested increase, then upon written request, Customer will not exceed the existing Contract Demand or such amount in excess thereof as Company determines it is able to provide.
- (b) If Customer desires to reduce the effective Contract Demand at any time prior to the time the Billing Demand of the applicable Schedule first equals or exceeds the Contract Demand, Company may agree to reduce the Contract Demand to the number of kilowatts specified in writing by Customer provided Customer pays to Company a sum of money equal to the estimated cost (after deducting the then value of usable materials and facilities and the salvage value of nonusable materials and facilities) of installing and removing the existing facilities in place for serving Customer, plus any money spent by Company which would not have been spent if Customer had originally requested the reduced Contract Demand less 10% (20% if Customer is served from Company's distribution system) for each full year such facilities shall have been in service. The agreed upon reduction shall be effective with the beginning of the next ensuing billing period.

The Company reserves the right to reduce its facilities to the capacity adequate to serve the Customer's maximum 15-minute demand of the preceding twelve billing months and to amend the Service Agreement to such maximum demand. If Customer desires that Company not change its facilities, Company may agree to do so provided Customer executes a Service Agreement for the amount such facilities were installed to serve.

(c) If Customer increases his load without adequate notice to Company, and without receiving Company's consent, and such unauthorized increase causes loss of or damage to Company's facilities, the cost of making good such loss or repairing such damage shall be paid by Customer.

# 7. LOW POWER FACTOR ADJUSTMENT

Customer shall at all times maintain a power factor at the point of delivery as nearly 100 percent as practicable; however, if Customer's power factor is found to be less than 85%, Company will increase the monthly bill by a sum equal to \$0.30 multiplied by the difference between the maximum

reactive kilovolt-amperes (kVAR) registered or computed by a demand meter suitable for measuring the demands used during any 15-minute interval and 62% of the maximum kW demand registered in the current billing month.

### 8. BILLING

- (a) Company's meters will be read and bills rendered monthly at regular intervals of approximately 30 days. (By special order of the regulatory agencies bimonthly reading is permitted under certain conditions.)
- (b) If Company is unable to read Customer's meter for any reason, his use may be estimated by Company on the basis of his use during the next preceding billing period for which readings were obtained, unless some unusual condition is known to exist. A bill rendered on the basis of such estimate shall be as valid as if made from actual meter readings.
- (c) The term "Month" or "Monthly" as used in Company's Schedules and Riders refers to the interval transpiring between the previous meter reading date and the current reading date and bills shall be rendered accordingly, except that if the period covered by an initial or final bill or due to rerouting of meter reading schedule is more or less than 28-34 days, the bill will be prorated based on a 30-day billing month.

#### METER STOPPAGE OR ERROR

In the event a meter fails to register accurately within the allowable limits established by the state regulatory body having jurisdiction, Company will adjust the measured usage for the period of time the meter was shown to be in error, not exceeding 60 days, just prior to the removal of such meter from service. Company shall refund or credit to Customer or Customer shall pay to Company the difference between the amount billed and the estimated amount which would have been billed had the meter not exceeded the allowable limits. No part of any minimum service charge shall be refunded.

# POINT OF DELIVERY

The point of delivery is the point where Company's service conductors are, or are to be, connected to Customer's conductors. Customer shall do all things necessary to bring his service conductors to such point of delivery for connection to the Company's service conductors, and he shall maintain his said conductors in good order at all times. Unless otherwise stipulated in the Agreement, the point of delivery shall be located as follows:

- (a) In cases of a connection of Company's overhead service conductors to Customer's overhead service conductors, such point of delivery shall be on the outside of the wall of Customer's building where Company's service conductors may be conveniently extended and anchored.
- (b) In cases of connection of Company's overhead service conductors to Customer's underground service conductors, such point of delivery shall be at a place on Company's nearest pole approximately one foot below the Company's conductors from which Customer is to be supplied.
- (c) In cases of connection of Company's underground service conductors to Customer's service conductors, such point of delivery shall be at a place on the outside wall of Customer's building to which Company's conductors may be conveniently extended and terminated.
- (d) In cases where a ground type substation is installed by Company to supply electricity to Customer, the point of delivery shall be at a place designated by Company on its substation structure.

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- (e) In cases where a service entrance panel box was installed by Company on the exterior of the outside wall of Customer's dwelling for the purpose of supplying electricity under Company's All Electric Residential Service Schedule, the point of delivery shall be the point where Customer's conductors are connected to Company's conductors in such panel box.
- (f) In cases where electric wiring was installed by Company in residences or apartment buildings with service entrances of 400 amperes or larger, by connection from Company's overhead service conductors, for the purpose of supplying electricity under Company's All Electric Residential Service Schedule, the point of delivery shall be the point where Company's conductors are connected to the main switch owned by Customer, or the point where Customer's conductors are connected to the meter trough provided for multiple dwelling units if there is not a main switch for all dwelling units.

Where special circumstances render it impracticable for the point of delivery to be located as above stated, then it shall be at a place selected or approved by Company and when so done the Customer shall bring his service conductors to and maintain them at such place.

# 11. INSTALLATIONS

- (a) By Company: Company shall install, own, operate, and maintain all lines and equipment located on its side of the point of delivery. It shall also furnish and install the necessary meter, and meter transformers where necessary, for measuring the electricity used, though such meter will usually be located on Customer's side of the point of delivery. When Customer requests Company to supply electricity to a single premises in a special manner requiring facilities over and above those normally provided by Company, such extra facilities will be provided, if Company finds it practicable, under the following conditions:
  - The facilities will be a kind and type normally used by or acceptable to Company and will be installed at a place and in a manner satisfactory to Company.
  - (2) Customer will pay to Company a Monthly Facilities Charge of 1.1 percent of the estimated installed cost and rearrangement cost of all facilities required, including metering, in addition to those Company would have provided, but not less than \$25 per month.
  - (3) If Company increases its investment, other than replacement of existing equipment with equipment of equal capacity and kind, in facilities necessary to supply Customer's special electric requirements (including conversion of the primary voltage to a higher voltage), the monthly charge for providing the extra facilities will be adjusted at that time. The Customer may terminate the extra facilities in accordance with the applicable termination provisions or continue the extra facilities under the changed conditions.
  - (4) In lieu of the Monthly Facilities Charge of 1.1 percent, Customer may elect to make a contribution for the extra facilities as determined in 11(a)(2) and (3) above. After such payment, the Monthly Facilities Charge for the extra facilities will be 0.3 percent of said payment.
  - (5) When Customer desires more than one point of delivery to a single premises at one or more voltages with a meter installation, acceptable to Company, to obtain the total kilowatt-hours and simultaneous kilowatts of demand, Company will furnish such service under the applicable terms and conditions of this Section 11.

Only those points of delivery located external to Customer's plant structure may be included in a totalized metering system arrangement. In case of a primary meter installation, the installed cost of metering equipment will not be included as extra facilities nor will the metering equipment be compensated for line or transformation losses.

- (6) Company shall not be required to make such installation of facilities in addition to those normally provided until Customer has signed such agreements, including provisions for termination, as may be required by Company.
- (7) The cost basis for Extra Facilities provided before January 1, 2017, shall continue to apply until a change in Customer's requirements necessitates a recalculation of the facilities that Company normally would have provided for standard electric service.
- (b) By Customer: Customer shall install, own, operate and maintain all lines, service conductors. meter bases, and equipment, exclusive of Company's meter and meter transformers on Customer's side of the point of delivery and Customer will be the owner and have exclusive control thereof as well also as of all electricity after it passes the point of delivery. Customer shall so arrange his wiring that all electricity for one type of use can be supplied at one point of delivery and measured by a single meter. Except under special circumstances, Company's meter will be located on Customer's side of the point of delivery, and when it is to be so located Customer must make suitable provisions in his wiring for the convenient installation of the type of meter Company will use, and at a place suitable to Company. Customer's service entrance conductors shall not be installed within hollow walls unless the conductors are in conduit. Service entrance conductors not installed in conduit must be readily visible on the source side of Company's meter. Where a socket-type meter is to be used, Customer will provide, install at a place suitable to Company, own, and maintain a meter base or meter/switch enclosure to accommodate Company's meter under the following conditions: (1) the meter base or meter/switch enclosure shall be in accordance with Company specifications and bear the seal of approval of UL or other recognized authority in the industry, (2) Customer agrees to allow Company to install, maintain, and exercise exclusive control over all Company-owned facilities located inside Customer-owned meter base or meter/switch enclosure, including termination of Company-owned conductors to the line side terminals of Customer's meter base or meter/switch enclosure, (3) Customer agrees to allow Company to open and inspect the meter base or meter/switch enclosure at any time, and (4) Customer shall notify Company and obtain permission before altering or performing maintenance inside the meter base or metering section of the meter/switch enclosure. Socket-type meter bases furnished by Company prior to January 1, 1991 will continue to be owned by Company until replacement of meter base is necessary, at which time Customer will provide, install at a place suitable to Company, own, and maintain a replacement meter base under the above conditions.

Customer shall not utilize any equipment, appliance, or device which tends to affect adversely Company's supply of service to, or the use of service by, Customer or others. Customer shall not install gaseous discharge lighting with a power factor of less than 90 percent lagging. When polyphase service is supplied by Company, Customer shall control his use so that his load will be maintained in reasonable electrical balance between the phases at the point of delivery. Customer shall install and maintain devices adequate to protect his equipment against irregularities on Company's system, including devices to protect against single phasing.

- (c) Access To Premises: The duly authorized agents of Company shall have the right of ingress and egress to the premises of Customer at all reasonable hours over the same general route as Customer utilizes for the purpose of reading meters, inspecting Company's wiring and apparatus, changing, exchanging, or repairing its property on the premises of Customer and to remove such property at the time of or at any time after suspension of service or termination of Agreement.
- (d) <u>Protection</u>: Customer shall protect Company's wiring and apparatus on Customer's premises and shall permit no one but Company's agents to handle same. In the event of any loss or damage to such property of Company caused by or arising out of carelessness, neglect, or misuse by Customer, his employees or agents, the cost of making good such loss or repairing such damage shall be paid by Customer. In cases where Company's service facilities on

Customer's premises require abnormal maintenance due to Customer's operation, Customer shall reimburse Company for such abnormal maintenance.

# 12. CONTINUANCE OF SERVICE AND LIABILITY THEREFORE

Company does not guarantee continuous service but shall use reasonable diligence at all times to provide an uninterrupted supply of electricity and having used reasonable diligence shall not be liable to Customer for damage, for failure in, or for interruptions or suspensions of, the same.

Company reserves the right to suspend service without liability on its part at such times and for such periods and in such manner as it may deem advisable (a) for the purpose of making necessary adjustments to, changes in, or repairs on its lines, substations, and facilities and (b) in cases where, in its opinion, the continuance of service to Customer's premises would endanger persons or property.

In the event of an adverse condition or disturbance on the system of Company, or on any other system directly or indirectly interconnected with it, which requires automatic or manual interruption of the supply of electricity to some customers or areas in order to limit the extent or damage of the adverse condition or disturbance, or to prevent damage to generating or transmission facilities, or to expedite restoration of service, Company may, without incurring liability, interrupt service to customers or areas and take such other action as appears reasonably necessary.

Customer assumes responsibility for and shall indemnify, defend, and save the Company harmless against all liability, claims, judgments, losses, costs, and expenses for injury, loss, or damage to persons or property including personal injury or property damage to Customer and his employees on account of defective construction, wiring, or equipment, or improper or careless use of electricity, on Customer's side of the point of delivery.

# 13. GOVERNMENT RESTRICTIONS

The delivery date, quantity, and type of electricity to be supplied by Company are subject to changes, restrictions, curtailments, or complete suspensions by Company as may be deemed by it to be necessary or advisable (a) on account of any lawful order or regulation of any municipal, State, or Federal government or agency thereof, or order of any court of competent jurisdiction, or (b) on account of any emergency or shortage due to war or catastrophe, or during the duration thereof, all without liability on the part of the Company therefore.

# 14. COSTS INCURRED IN PREPARING TO SERVE CUSTOMER

If a prospective customer advises Company that he intends to contract for electric service with Company, and Company incurs costs in preparing to furnish service to him, and thereafter he fails to enter into a written Service Agreement with Company within a reasonable time after the date when he advises Company that he expects to begin receiving service, then such prospective customer shall be liable to Company for all costs reasonably incurred by Company in preparing to serve him.

### 15. SALES AND FRANCHISE TAX OR PAYMENT IN LIEU THEREOF

To the above charges will be added any applicable South Carolina sales tax, and for those customers within any municipal or other local governmental jurisdiction, an appropriate amount to reflect any franchise fee, business license tax, or similar percentage fee or tax, or charge in lieu thereof imposed by such entity.

# GENERAL

- (a) Whenever the term "service" or "electric service" is used in these Service Regulations or other portions of the Agreement, it shall be construed to refer to the electricity supplied to Customer.
- (b) The term "Company's service conductors" means Company's wires extending from the point of

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- (c) The term "Customer's service conductors" shall mean Customer's wires extending from the point of delivery to the switch box or other point where the branch circuits connect for the purpose of distributing the electricity taken from Company to his various places of use.
- (d) The term "service connection" means the connection of Company's service conductors to Customer's service conductors.

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