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6.01 DISPOSITION OF ELECTRICITY: All electricity sold by Company will be on the basis of meter measurement, except for temporary service installations or where the load is constant and the consumption may be readily computed or is provided for in filed rate schedules. [199--20.3(1)]

6.02 LOCATION OF METERS: Company will determine the location of the meters. The meter location must be accessible at all reasonable times to both Customer and the Company's representatives. Insofar as is practicable, the meter will be located on the outside of buildings. Where more than one class of service is furnished, the number of meters required will be determined by the rate application.

6.03 METER INSTALLATION: Customer shall provide and at all times maintain at the place specified by Company space for the installation of Company's meter installation. Customer shall install the necessary meter mounting facilities, when required by Company, in a manner satisfactory to Company and in full compliance with the provisions of applicable Codes and the laws and governmental regulations. After the meter installation has been located on the premises of Customer, the cost of any subsequent change in location, if requested by Customer, will be at Customer's expense. Customers shall have continuous visual access to meter registers except where meters are located in hazardous locations or where vandalism is apparent. [199--20.2(4)]

6.04 MULTIPLE METERING: When more than one meter installation is used to measure the electric service supplied by Company to a Customer, a separate billing in accordance with the applicable rate schedule will be rendered for the electric service supplied through each meter installation. Company may combine consumption of electric service registered, and render a single billing, for the same class of electric service supplied to Customer through two or more meter installations if, at the option of the Company, such multiple metering is installed as a convenience to Company or because it is more economical for Company to do so.

6.05 SPECIAL METERING: If service under applicable rate schedule is supplied at primary voltage and Company at its option elects to install its meter on the secondary side of the transformer installation, transformer losses and other losses between the point of delivery and the meter will be computed and added to the consumption recorded by such meters. If service under applicable rate schedule is supplied at secondary voltage and Company at its option elects to meter the energy at primary voltage, transformer losses and other losses between the meter and the point of delivery will be computed and subtracted from the consumption recorded by such meters.

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6.06 MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY BUILDINGS: When a building is occupied by more than one Customer, Company will set as many meters as there are separate Customers within the building. Company will furnish electric service conductors to the building sufficient to supply the requirements of all Customers within the building.

6.07 CUSTOMER METER EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS: Company will install, own and maintain suitable metering equipment necessary for measuring electric energy supplied in accordance with Company's applicable rate schedule except for qualifying facilities where the operator of the qualifying facility will pay for the cost of metering as part of interconnection costs as described in IAC 199 – Chapter 45, which will be owned and maintained by Company. Customer's obligation for providing equipment in accordance with the metering function shall be pursuant to Company's General Rules and Regulations. All of this metering equipment usually requires individual design. It is the responsibility of Customer to contact Company for any such required information. [199--20.3(1)] C C C

6.08 METER RECORDS: All meter records are kept in Company's principal office having jurisdiction over Customer's location. [199--20.3]

6.08A METER READING RECORDS: The meter reading record will show Customer's name, address and identification of the applicable rate schedule, identification of the meter or meters by manufacturer's serial number, reading of Customer's meter, if the readings have been estimated, and any applicable multiplier or constant.

6.08B METER CHARTS: Any meter charts taken from recording meters shall be marked with the initial and final date and hour, the meter identification, Customer's name and location, and the chart multiplier.

6.08C METER MULTIPLIER: If it is necessary to apply a multiplier to the meter readings, the multiplier must be marked on the face of the meter, or the meter register, or is stenciled in weather-resistant paint upon the front cover of the meter.

6.09 METERING AND THE POINT OF DELIVERY: Metering facilities will generally be located in close proximity to the point of delivery. Deviation in such location of metering facilities shall require adjustment of the demand and energy recorded by such facilities to reflect that deviation.

6.10 METER READING: Company uses the plan of continuous cycle meter reading in its service territory which is divided into meter reading districts. Except as otherwise provided herein or in applicable rate schedules of Company, each meter in each such district will be read monthly on or about the same day of the month and such readings shall be the basis for Company's billing for electric service during the period ending with the later reading. Company reserves the right to read the meter electronically. Company reserves the right to re-designate the meter-reading date. [199--20.3(6)]

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6.11 ESTIMATED READINGS: If, due to circumstances or conditions beyond the control of Company, or if it is otherwise impractical to read the meter on a scheduled meter reading day, then Company shall render an estimated bill based on the best available information. Only in unusual cases or when approval is obtained from Customer shall more than 3 consecutive estimated bills be rendered. [199--20.3(6)]

6.12 METER TESTS: The testing of Company's meters shall be in accordance with the Board's Rules and Regulations and all applicable general orders. The accuracy of such meters shall be assured by compliance with such general orders as provided in Section 10 of these General Rules and Regulations.

6.12A REQUEST TESTS: Upon request by a Customer, Company will test the meter servicing that Customer, except that such tests need not be made more frequently than once in 18 months. Customer will be notified in writing of any potential charges before the meter is removed for testing. [199--20.6(5)]

6.12A(1) A written report of the test results will be mailed to the Customer within 10 days of the completed test and a record of each test shall be kept on file at the Company's office. Company will give the Customer or a representative of the Customer the opportunity to be present while the test is conducted. [199--20.6(5)]

6.12A(2) If the test finds the meter is accurate within the limits accepted by the Company in its meter inspection and testing program, Company may charge the Customer $25 or the cost of conducting the test, whichever is less. [199--20.6(5)]

6.12B REFEREE TESTS: Upon written request by a Customer or Company, the Iowa Utilities Board will conduct a referee test of a meter except that such tests need not be made more frequently than once in 18 months. The request shall be accompanied by a $30 check or money order made payable to Company. [199--20.6(6)] T

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6.12 METER TESTS: (continued)

6.12B(1) Within 5 days of receipt of the written request and payment, the Iowa Utilities Board shall forward the deposit to Company and notify Company of the requirement for a test. Company shall, within 30 days after notification of the request, schedule the date, time and place of the test with the Board and Customer. The meter shall not be removed or adjusted before the test and Company shall furnish all testing equipment and facilities for the test. Customer will be notified in writing of charges before meter is removed for testing. If the tested meter is found to be more than 2% fast or 2% slow the deposit will be returned to the party requesting the test and billing adjustments shall be made as required in 199--20.4(14). The Board shall issue its report within 15 days after the test is conducted, with a copy to the Customer and the Company. [199--20.6(6)] T

6.13 METER SEALS: Seals will be placed by Company on all meters and meter enclosures. Such seals shall not be broken or disturbed by any person other than the persons authorized by Company or by law. [199--20.3(1)]

6.14 EVIDENCE OF CONSUMPTION: The registration of Company's meters will be accepted as prima facie evidence of the amount of power and energy taken by Customer.

6.15 BILLING ADJUSTMENTS FOR METER INACCURACIES: See: Section 7 of these General Rules and Regulations.

6.16 METER RECORDS: All data concerning retired meters shall be recorded by Company and retained for at least 3 years. [199--20.4(13)]