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SERVICE EXTENSION POLICY

1. This rule shall govern the extension of Collecting Sewers or the expansion or installation of additional treatment capacity by the Company within its certified area where the existing treatment or collection infrastructure is inadequate for the service requested by the Applicant(s).
2. Upon receipt of a written application for a service extension, the Company will provide the Applicant(s) an itemized estimate of the cost of the proposed extension. Said estimate shall include the cost of all labor and materials required, including treatment facilities, valves, reconstruction of existing Collecting Sewers (if necessary), and the direct costs associated with supervision, engineering, permits, and bookkeeping. The estimate will not include unanticipated costs such as rock excavation.
3. Applicant(s) shall enter a contract with the Company for the installation of said extension and shall tender to the Company the amount determined in paragraph 2 above. The costs quantified in paragraph 2 are independent of any Connection (tap) Fees. The contract may allow the Customer to contract with an independent contractor for the installation and supply of material, except that any new treatment facilities, modifications to existing treatment facilities, Collecting Sewers of twelve inches (12”) or greater diameter, and the reconstruction of existing facilities must be installed by the Company.
4. The cost to an Applicant(s) connecting to a Collecting Sewer extension contributed by other Applicant(s), shall be as follows:
 - A. For single-family Residential Applicant(s) applying for service in a platted Subdivision, the Company shall divide the actual cost of the extension paid by other Applicant(s) by the number of lots abutting said extension to determine the per-lot extension cost. When counting lots, corner lots which abut existing Collecting Sewers shall be excluded.
 - B. For single-family Residential Applicant(s) applying for service in areas that are unplatted in Subdivision lots, an Applicant(s) cost shall be equal to the total cost of the extension divided by the total length of the Collecting Sewer extension in feet times one hundred (100 feet).
 - C. For industrial, Commercial, or multifamily Residential Applicants, the cost will be equal to the amount calculated for a single-family residence in paragraphs 4(a) and 4(b) above.
5. Refunds of funds paid by Applicant(s) for any estimated costs or actual costs of a Collecting Sewer extension shall be made to such Applicant(s) as follows:
 - A. Should the actual cost of the extension be less than the estimated cost as determined in paragraph 2, above, the Company shall refund the difference to the Applicant(s) as soon as the actual cost has been ascertained.



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- B. During the first ten (10) years after the extension is completed, the Company will refund to the Applicant(s) who paid for the extension the money collected from Applicant(s) based upon the allocations for each Customer in accordance with paragraph 4, above. The refund shall be paid within a reasonable time after the money is collected. The requirement to make a refund shall attach to the property. Thus, if the original Applicant(s) has moved, then the refund shall be made to the new property owner.
- C. The sum of all refunds to any Applicant shall not exceed the total amount which the Applicant(s) has paid net of the allocated cost to such Applicant pursuant to paragraph 4.
- 6. Extensions made under this rule shall be and remain the property of the Company.
- 7. The Company reserves the right to further extend the Collecting Sewer and to connect Collecting Sewers on intersecting streets and easements. Connecting new Customers to such further extensions shall not entitle the Applicant(s) paying for the original extension to a refund for the connection of such Customers.
- 8. Extensions made under this rule shall be of Company-approved pipe sized to meet sewer service requirements. If the Company chooses to size the extension larger in order to meet the Company’s overall system requirements, the additional cost caused by the larger size of pipe shall be borne by the Company.
- 9. No interest will be paid by the Company on payments for an extension made by the Applicant(s).
- 10. If extensions are required on private roads, streets, through private property, or on private property adjacent to public right-of-way, a proper deed of easement must be furnished to the Company without cost to the Company, before the extension will be made.