

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

NATURAL GAS RULES AND REGULATIONS (Continued)
RULE NO. 9: Bills and Payment for Service (Continued)

4. **DISCONNECTION OF SERVICE:** The Company may disconnect gas service to the Customer for past due accounts provided it gives the Customer written notice either delivered by mail or, at the Company's option, by personal delivery to the Customer's address. Disconnection shall not be made prior to the eighth business day following mailing of the notice or not prior to 5:00 p.m. of the first business day following personal delivery of the notice. The Company will also make an attempt to serve notice of disconnection by personal contact, or two attempts by telephone, or an additional mailed notice. When additional written notice is elected, disconnection will not be made prior to 5:00 p.m. of the third business day following mailing of such notice. In any event, no disconnection will be accomplished on Saturdays, Sundays, or legal holidays. (T)
5. **UNAUTHORIZED USE CHARGE:** In case of tampering or unauthorized use, a bill will be rendered for all statutorily authorized costs, fees, or damages. In cases where the time period and/or amount of unauthorized use can be determined, this amount will be included in the bill. If the actual amount and/or time period of unauthorized use cannot be established, probable consumption will be determined for inclusion in the bill by the maximum quantity of gas estimated to have been consumed by the Customer for a period encompassing six months prior to the detection of such abuse and/or disconnection for cause. (T)
6. **BILLING INITIATION CHARGE:** A service charge of \$6.10 shall be made for each new service location established, change of responsibility at a service location, or request for or restoration of seasonal service at a given service location. Where separate new connections or changes are required for service billed on different statements at the same address, the Billing Initiation Charge shall be applied to each statement, unless service has been separated for the Company's convenience. Billing Initiation Charges shall not apply to the following: (T)
- a. When an additional service or meter is added at the same service location and billed on an existing statement.
 - b. When an owner or agent has agreed through written application to the Company to assume temporary responsibility for service to vacated premises and does so prior to disconnection due to vacancy.
 - c. When a name change is requested following the death of a spouse.
 - d. Existing service locations that are part of an existing service territory of a municipality, other natural gas distribution company, or master meter system that is acquired by PSE. (N)

Where a Customer premises receives electric and natural gas service from the Company, the Billing Initiation Charge shall be \$7.50 for coincidentally establishing service for both electricity and natural gas.

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