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SCHEDULE 51 LINE EXTENSION, CONVERSION AND RELOCATION SCHEDULE WASHINGTON

1. **APPLICABILITY**

The rules for Line Extensions in this Schedule apply to all existing and prospective Customers requesting a new line extension. The rules for Conversions and Relocations in this Schedule apply to all Customers requesting changes to existing facilities.

2. GENERAL RULES:

- Every Customer who wants the Company to design a line extension must first submit a. a written application. A Design Fee of \$100 is required for any line extension, Conversion of Primary Circuit, or Relocation of Primary Circuit that is unusually large, complex, or of a questionable nature, and for each additional design requested. Design Fees are not refundable, but the one Design Fee for the first design, if paid, will be credited against the cost of the construction.
- b. The Company shall have the right to enter and exit the Customer's property to construct, reconstruct, operate and maintain the line extension. The Company's agents and employees shall have access at all reasonable times for reading, inspecting, constructing, reconstructing, repairing and removing the Company's meters, metering equipment and electric facilities.
- All necessary right-of-way assignments, easements and permits across other C. properties will be secured at no cost to the Company before the Company constructs the line extension.
- d. The length, depth, Point of Delivery, location, route, phases, voltage, capacity and cost of the Line Extension shall be determined by the Company. The line extension shall be compatible with existing neighboring electric facilities.

3. RULES FOR INDIVIDUAL CUSTOMERS

- Both the General Rules and the following rules apply to line extensions to serve a. individual Customers with electric consumption less than 72,000 kwh per year.
- b. Before the start of construction, the Customer must submit a written application for service and pay an extension cost to the Company which is computed as follows:

Basic Cost

- **Exceptional Costs**
- Allowance
- **Customer-Requested Costs**
- Cost Reductions
- (one) Design Fee of \$100
- share of previous extension

extension cost

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- 1) "Basic Cost" is the cost of the Service Circuit, Secondary Circuit, Transformer and Primary Circuit computed from the rates listed in this Schedule. The meters used by the Company for billing purposes are provided at no cost to the Customer.
- "Cost Reduction" is a decrease allowed when the Company uses lower-cost 2) construction methods or allows the Customer to do some of the work. All facilities provided by the Customer must meet or exceed the Company's specifications.
- 3) "Allowance" is a credit to each Customer who has at least 4800 kWh per year of new load. The Allowance will be applied first to the Basic Cost of the Service Circuit, second to the Basic Cost of the Secondary Circuit, third to the Basic Cost of the Transformer and fourth to the Basic Cost of the Primary Circuit.

When two or more Customers apply concurrently for service from the same Line Extension, each will receive an Allowance up to their proportion of the Basic Cost of the line extension. Allowances shall be granted only against the Basic Cost of the current project and not against any part of an earlier or future extension or against any Exceptional Costs.

The Allowance will be the Basic Cost or the applicable amount listed below, whichever is less:

MAXIMUM ALLOWANCE FOR INDIVIDUAL CUSTOMERS

Schedule 1 individual Customer	\$1000 each
Schedule 1 duplex	\$ 800 per unit
Schedule 1 multiplex	
Schedule 11 or 12 Customer with	
electric consumption less than	
72,000 kWh per year	\$1300 each

EXCEPTION: The Company will not grant an immediate Allowance if the Company, in its sole judgment, determines that the load:

- a) is less than 4800 kWh per year, or
- b) will be in service less than five years.

A mobile home will not qualify for an Allowance unless it is on an improved lot with permanent water service and a connection to either a sewer or septic system.

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If an immediate Allowance is not granted, an amount equal to the original Basic Cost, or the original Allowance, whichever is less, will be refunded to the Customer after five years if the Customer demonstrates average annual electric consumption of at least 4800 kWh per year for each of the first five years after the construction of the line extension and if the Customer applies for the refund before the line extension becomes six years old.

- 4) "Exceptional Cost" is the cost of labor and/or materials which are necessary to construct the Line Extension but which are not reflected in the Basic Costs. including, but not limited to the following:
 - trenching costs in excess of dirt trench a)
 - sand padding b)
 - boring or jacking under roads or rails c)
 - d) pavement removal and replacement
 - restoration of Customer property in excess of the replacement of sod e) and general clean-up
 - f) landscaping
 - tree or brush removal g)
 - h) rights of way
 - i) permits
 - j) surveying
 - overhead extensions longer than 1500 feet k)
- 5) "Share of Previous Extension" applies only to Primary Circuits less than five years old. If part of a previous line extension is used to serve a new Customer, the new Customer must pay their share of the previous Primary Circuit cost to the Company before the start of construction. The amount paid by the new Customer will be refunded to existing Customers in relation to their share of the Primary Circuit. The Company will refund appropriate shares to the bearers of Extension Certificates when the Certificates are presented for payment and the connection of the subsequent Customer has been verified. The Company will make a reasonable attempt to inform the bearer of the Certificate when a refund is due. Bearers of Extension Certificates must apply for refunds before the original line extension becomes six years old. Unclaimed refunds will be returned to the contributor.

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EXAMPLE:

- First Customer pays \$8,450 for 1,000 feet of primary underground 1. circuit (\$8.45 per foot).
- 2. Second Customer takes service within five years using 600 feet of the original extension.
- 3. Both Customers share the first 600 feet equally: 600 ft x \$8.45/ft x $\frac{1}{2}$ = \$2,535.
- The Second Customer's payment of \$2,535 will be refunded to the 4. First Customer to reduce his investment in the 600 feet to \$2,535. The First Customer's investment in the remaining 400 feet remains at 3,380 (88,450-2,535-2,535 = 3,380).

EXCEPTION: If the average refund to the existing Customer is less than \$100 each, the new Customer will not be required to pay a share and the existing Customers will not receive refunds.

- 6) "Customer-Requested Cost" is the cost of unusual labor and/or materials which is requested by the Customer but which is not necessary to construct the Line Extension based on the Company's minimum design, construction, and operating practices. All Customer-Requested Costs must be paid in full by the Customer. Customer-Requested Costs may include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - facilities to provide three-phase service where single-phase service is adequate
 - construction which is not for electric service b)
 - facilities longer, deeper, or larger than deemed appropriate by the c)
 - underground facilities in overhead areas d)
 - soil compaction on private property e)
- RULES FOR LARGE INDIVIDUAL CUSTOMERS 4.
 - Both the General Rules and the following rules apply to Line Extensions to serve a. individual Customers with electric consumption of 72,000 kwh per year or more.
 - Before the start of construction, the Customer must submit a written application for b. service and pay an extension cost to the Company which is computed as follows:

Basic Cost

- **Exceptional Costs**
- Allowance
- **Customer-Requested Costs**
- Cost Reductions
- (one) Design Fee of \$100
- share of previous extension

extension cost

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1) All terms are described in Section 3.b. with the exception of Basic Cost and Allowance which are individually evaluated for each Large Customer.

5. RULES FOR UNDEVELOPED LOTS

- A development is a group of neighboring undeveloped lots separated by no more a. than streets and under the ownership or legal control of a single party as determined by the Company. Both the General Rules and the following rules apply to line extensions to serve developments.
- b. Before the start of construction, the developer must submit a written application for service and a copy of the recorded plat approved by the governing agency depicting dedicated utility easements approved by the serving utilities and must pay an extension cost to the Company which is computed as follows:

Basic Cost

- **Exceptional Costs**
- Cost Reductions
- Customer-Requested Costs
- (one) Design Fee of \$100
- extension cost within development =
- cost of extension to development
- share of previous extension
- extension cost
- 1) "Basic Cost" will be computed from the following rate per lot when the Development serves single phase loads, has at least six lots and the average frontage is no more than 175 feet per lot. The Basic Cost includes the cost of the primary circuit, the transformer and the secondary circuit in the utility easement or public right-of-way, but does not include the service circuit from the point of connection with the secondary circuit to the Point of Delivery. The service will be installed when service is required and at no additional cost to the developer, builder or customer unless exceptional costs are involved.

Developments:

\$1,701 per Lot

The Basic Cost for all other Developments will be computed from the rates listed in this Schedule for Service Circuits, Secondary Circuits, Transformers and Primary Circuits.

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- 2) "Cost Reductions," "Exceptional Costs", "Customer-Requested Costs, and "Share of Previous Extension" are described under Rules for Individual Customers.
- "Extension to development" is the line extension between the Company's 3) existing energized electric facilities and the boundary of the development. The Rules for Individual Customers apply to the extension to the development.

A Developer who pays the extension cost described in 5.b.1) may apply for a refund for each permanent Customer connected within the Development during the first five years after the extension is completed. The Company will make a reasonable attempt to inform the bearer of the certificate when a refund is due. The Company will pay the refund to the bearer of the Extension Certificate when it is presented to the Company for payment and the connection of the permanent Customer has been verified.

- In a Development where primary taps may be required into some lots to provide d. adequate service or where the loads are not clearly defined, the Company may elect to install only an initial Primary Circuit through the Development (no Transformers or Secondary Circuits). The Rules for Individual Customers will be used to establish the extension cost of the Primary Circuit and that cost must be paid in advance by the Developer. The permanent Customer on each lot must meet the Rules for Individual Customers for the extension into the lot, except they will not pay a share of the cost of the Primary Circuit through the Development or a share of previous extensions outside the Development. The applicable Allowance will be credited first to the Basic Cost to serve the permanent Customer. The Developer will be refunded only the portion of the Allowance not granted or applied to the permanent Customer.
- In lieu of a cash payment of the Basic Cost in a Development, the Company will e. accept a cash payment of \$522 per lot and a letter of credit, a contractor's performance bond, or another credit instrument for \$1,179 (\$1,701 less \$522) per lot upon execution of a written agreement with the Developer. The agreement shall prescribe the requirements for such a credit instrument and shall permit the face amount of the instrument to be reduced annually as new customers are connected within the Development.

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The developer may provide ditching within the Development, for which they will receive a \$522 per lot Cost Reduction. If the Developer provides the ditching, they may make a cash payment or provide an appropriate credit instrument for \$1,179 per lot.

f. Prior to installation of the Service Circuit to each single-family residence in a development, the home builder will be required to make a non-refundable cash payment to the Company of \$766 per residence. There will be no charge to the builder for the installation of the Service Circuit to serve a duplex or multiplex dwelling. For Developers who have made a cash payment to the Company for the Basic Cost in the development, the sum of all refunds shall not exceed the total Basic Cost paid by the Developer or \$1,179 per lot multiplied by the number lots, whichever is less. The developer must apply for the refunds before the line extension becomes six years old.

RULES FOR CONVERSIONS AND RELOCATIONS 6.

Both the General Rules and the following rules apply to all requests to convert overhead facilities to underground or to change the location of overhead or underground facilities. Construction to replace electric facilities which were disconnected or removed at the customer's request within the last 12 months will be treated as a Conversion or a Relocation and will not be granted an Allowance.

- All requests to convert or relocate electric facilities will be considered only when the a. Company, in its sole judgment, determines that they are feasible and compatible with existing neighboring electric facilities and when the requesting party has paid any Design Fees required.
- Before construction starts, the party requesting a Conversion or Relocation must pay b. a conversion or relocation cost to the Company which is computed as follows:

Basic Cost

- **Exceptional Costs**
- **Customer Requested Costs**
- Cost Reductions

new line cost

- Removal Costs
- Salvage Value
- (one) Design Fee of \$100

conversion or relocation cost

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EXCEPTION: If the Customer is adding load and the load increase would require the Company to increase the capacity of the existing facilities at its expense, the conversion or relocation cost will be reduced by the expected cost of the modification that would have otherwise been made.

- "New Line Cost" is the cost of the new line extension in accordance with the 1) Rules for Individual Customers, except no Allowance will be credited to the cost.
- "Remaining Value of Existing Facilities" is the original installed cost minus 2) depreciation of the facilities that the Customer wants removed.
- "Removal Cost" is the cost of the labor, overheads and use of equipment 3) required to remove the existing facilities.
- 4) "Salvage Value" is the value to the Company of the materials removed from the existing facilities.

7. DEFINITIONS AND RATES (listed alphabetically)

- a. "Customer" is any individual, partnership, corporation, association, governmental agency, political subdivision, municipality or other entity.
- "Dedicated Utility Easements" are designated strips or locations within the platted b. development which have been approved by the serving utility companies and the local government planning department and are dedicated to the serving utility companies for the purpose of construction, reconstruction, maintenance and operation of utilities, including the inspection of those utilities at reasonable times and the trimming or removal of brush and trees that may interfere with the construction, maintenance or operation of those utilities.
- "Design Fee" is a \$100.00 payment to the Company by the Customer requesting a C. Line Extension, Conversion, or Relocation, in advance of the Company preparing the design. An initial Design Fee will be collected for any Line Extension, Conversion of Primary Circuit, or Relocation of Primary Circuit that is unusually large, complex, or of a questionable nature. Design Fees will be collected for additional designs if the Customer requests more than one design.
- "Extension Certificate" is a transferable certificate which entitles the bearer to receive d. certain refunds. Certificates will be issued to all Customers paying for a Primary Circuit, including Developers. The conditions under which refunds will be paid are described in this Schedule and on the Certificate.
- "Point of Delivery" is the location on the Customer's premises where the Company's e. Service conductors and the Customer's service entrance conductors are connected at a common point to permit a single meter installation. The Point of Delivery will be designated by the Company.

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f. "Primary Circuit" is the electrical facility between the Company's existing energized primary facilities and the proposed Transformer. The Primary Circuit is single phase operated at 2,400 to 20,000 volts to ground and may include conductors, connectors, supporting structures, conduit and trench. The Basic Cost of the Primary Circuit shall be computed using the following rates.

Overhead Primary Circuit:

Fixed Costs:

\$3,774 per Customer

Variable Costs:

\$4.04 per foot

Underground Primary Circuit:

Fixed Costs:

\$1,384 per Customer

Variable Costs:

\$8.45 per foot

"Secondary Circuit" is the electrical facility from the Company's Transformer to a g. handhole or connectors from which one or more Service Circuits originate. The Secondary Circuit is single phase, is operated at less than 600 volts to ground and may include conductors, connectors, supporting structures, conduit, handholes and trench. The Basic Cost of the Secondary Circuit shall be computed using the following rates.

Overhead Secondary Circuit:

Fixed Costs:

\$253 per customer

Variable Costs:

\$4.23 per foot

Underground Secondary Circuit:

Fixed Costs:

\$199 per customer

Variable Costs:

\$6.80 per foot

h. "Service Circuit" is the electrical facility between the Company's Transformer, connectors, or handhole and the Point of Delivery for a single Customer or building. The Service Circuit is single phase, is operated at less than 600 volts to ground and may include conductors, connectors, supporting structures, conduit and trench. The Basic Cost of the Service Circuit shall be computed using the following rates. These rates do not include meters and metering facilities which are used by the Company for billing purposes.

Overhead Service Circuit:

Fixed Costs:

\$253 per customer

Variable Costs:

\$4.23 per foot

Underground Service Circuit:

Fixed Costs:

\$199 per customer

Variable Costs:

\$6.80 per foot

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i. "Transformer" Basic Cost shall be computed using the following rates for single phase transformers.

Overhead Transformer Costs: \$1,173 per Customer Padmount Transformer Costs: \$1,659 per Customer

j. "Underground Facilities" may include primary cable, secondary and service cable, secondary and service connections, surface-type (pad-mount) Transformers, concrete pads, enclosures, switch gear, terminations, equipment protective barriers and conduit or duct where necessary. These facilities will be owned, operated and maintained by the Company unless otherwise provided for by agreement.

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