RULE 9
LINE EXTENSION ALLOWANCE POLICY (C)

PURPOSE (N)
This rule applies to all requests for new or additional natural gas service requiring the installation, alteration, relocation, removal, or attachment of Company-owned distribution facilities.

DEFINITIONS

Line Extension Allowance is the non-transferrable financial credit applied to an applicant or customer's Line Extension Costs.

Line Extension Costs are the sum of expenses to install or modify a service line and, if necessary, install or modify a main line extension to connect and provide natural gas service to a customer's premise. Main line extension costs may include other non-service line infrastructure required to provide gas service. Line Extension Costs must be comprehensive of costs necessary to enable gas to flow to the customer meter. (N)

LINE EXTENSION ALLOWANCE POLICY (N)
The Company will provide an applicant or customer one Line Extension Allowance per billing meter. The Line Extension Allowance will be credited towards the Line Extension Costs. The customer will be responsible for paying all Line Extension Costs in excess of the Line Extension Allowance plus an amount to account for federal income tax, and a customer will never receive a value or credit that exceeds the Line Extension Costs. See Table 1 below for the maximum Line Extension Allowance per customer class: (C) (C)

Table 1 – Maximum Line Extension Allowance Per Customer Class (N)

Customer Class	Line Extension Allowance Effective October 31, 2026	Line Extension Allowance Effective October 31, 2027	Line Extension Allowance Effective October 31, 2028
Residential (Sch. 101)	$1,757	$878	$0
Commercial (Sch. 104)	$5,455	$2,727	$0
Industrial (Sch. 105)	4.0 x Margin*	4.0 x Margin*	4.0 x Margin*
Large Volume (Sch. 111) Interruptible (Sch. 170) Transportation (Schs. 161, 162, 163, 164)	4.5 x Margin*	4.5 x Margin*	4.5 x Margin*
*Margin refers to estimated annual margin per meter for new customers or estimated added annual margin for existing customers.			

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS (N)(D)

1. The Company reserves the right to designate the location of service and main lines, meters and regulators, and select the amount of space which must be left unobstructed for the installation. (M)(T)
2. The Company will commence construction as soon as is reasonably practical, but the Company is not liable for delays or the inability to provide service due to weather conditions, the Company's ability to obtain all necessary easements, permits, and government approvals, other delays out of the Company's control, or delay in receiving all necessary commitments from the customer. (T) (T)
3. The Company shall not be required to relocate an existing service line at no cost to customer where such relocation is to be made for the convenience of the customer. (T)
4. The customer will indemnify and hold the Company harmless from claim, etc., for trespassing or injury to building and property crossed by the installation of a line extension except upon negligence of Company personnel. (T) (M)
5. The Company will only provide a Line Extension Allowance toward the cost of the Line Extension Costs if the requested line extension includes all infrastructure required to provide gas service up to the meter. (N) (N)
6. The Company may not provide a Line Extension Allowance if conditions relative to the extension indicate that such service will not be of such permanence as to warrant the Line Extension Allowance. (M)(C)
7. The customer is expected to pay all Line Extension Costs exceeding the applicable service and, or main line allowance (M) (C)

EXCESS FLOW VALVES

An excess flow valve is available as an added safety feature in the event that the service line is suddenly severed. At the customer's request, the Company will install an excess flow valve for the fees established in Schedule 200.

LINE EXTENSION AGREEMENTS (M)(T)

The Company may require a customer to sign a Line Extension Agreement prior to the installation of a line extension. Per the Line Extension Agreement, if the Company provides a Line Extension Allowance and installed a line extension, and the customer fails to commence gas usage within 12 (twelve) months for single-service customers or 5 (five) years for developments from the date of the Line Extension Agreement, the Company shall bill the customer for the Line Extension Allowance provided plus any applicable tax adjustment. (C) (M)(C)

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(M) refers to content previously found on Sheet Nos. 9.1 and 10.1. (N)

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LINE EXTENSION PAYMENT REFUNDS (N)

If (i) a Line Extension Allowance is provided to the Customer and (ii) the Line Extension Costs exceed the Line Extension Allowance, then a customer's payment for Line Extension Costs that exceeded the Line Extension Allowance may be subject to refund without interest on the following basis:

1. If additional customers, in excess of the number of customers on which the payment was predicated, connect directly to the Line Extension, and the Line Extension Allowance provided to such additional customers exceeded the Line Extension Costs for the infrastructure to provide service to such additional customers, an amount equal to the difference between the Line Extension Allowance and the Line Extension Costs of the additional customers will be provided to the initial customer. Such refund shall be granted within one (1) year of setting of a meter for such additional customer or customers. (N)

2. Company and Customer execute a main refunding contract covering the terms of reimbursement. (N)

3. Company may not provide Customer a main refunding contract if Company determines there is limited potential for additional customers beyond the initial customers on which the payment was predicated to connect directly to the main extension for which the payment was made. (N) (N)

4. Refund or refunds in total shall not exceed the total amount paid. If the total paid has not been fully refunded within five (5) years of the date the contract was executed, any remaining unrefunded amount shall become the property of the Company. (M)(T) (T)

5. When two (2) or more parties make a joint payment on the same extension, refund amounts which become payable will be allocated to such parties in proportion to the amounts paid by the party. (T) (T)

All facilities installed under this rule shall be the property of and under the control of the Company at all times and may be extended to serve other customers at the option of the Company. (M)

(M) refers to content previously found on Sheet No. 10.2.