

**RULE 10  
CUSTOMER-OWNED FACILITIES**

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The customer shall install, own, and maintain at his/her expense all house piping, equipment, appliances, and appliance connections located behind the Company's billing meter, including any service piping concealed within walls or any other inaccessible locations within buildings or that has reentered the ground after leaving the meter.

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House piping shall be installed in accordance with all applicable ordinances of the city, town or other such governing body as may have jurisdiction in the locality in which the installation is being made. Lacking other rules or ordinances for house piping, the International Mechanical Code shall apply.

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The customer shall in all cases notify immediately the Company of any gas leakage on his or her premises. Any loss or damage through leaks beyond Company furnished facilities is at the customer's risk and expense. In the event of gas leakage, no allowance will be made from the amount of gas registered by the meter, nor will the Company be responsible for any damage caused by the escape of gas. The Company's responsibility ceases at the meter except where, pursuant to special contract between the Company and the customer, facilities are owned by the Company on the customer's premises.

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Meters will not be connected with piping known by the Company to be defective, and the Company reserves the right to discontinue service in the event it, at any time, finds the customer-owned piping or appliances on customer's premise defective or in an unsafe condition. The Company does not, however, assume responsibility for inspecting the customer's appliance and piping, nor does it assume liability for such defective or hazardous conditions as may exist therein.

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(M) refers to language in Sheet No. 14 that was previously on Sheet No. 15.

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