

**GEORGIA POWER COMPANY**  
**Rules and Regulations for Electric Service**

**C. RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LINE EXTENSION AND SERVICE CONNECTION REGULATIONS:**

1. For the purpose of these regulations, an existing overhead retail distribution line is defined as any pole line carrying primary and/or secondary circuits of 25,000 volts or less, provided such line is not serving as a transmission or wholesale distribution line as defined in Section D hereof. A single phase line shall not be considered as an existing retail distribution line in the case of application for three phase service, but in such case "existing overhead retail distribution line" shall be interpreted to mean the nearest available three phase line which meets the above definition
2. Upon receipt and acceptance of the application for service from a non-residential customer as provided in Section A hereof, the Company will proceed to do such work and to provide and install such equipment as it may be required to do in order to render its preferred method of service, including the extension of an existing line when necessary, as determined by the location and character of the service and the terms of the rate schedule to be applied; but the Company shall not be required to so expend more than 3½ times the estimated annual base rate revenue to be derived from the service. Should the net cost of the job exceed 3½ times the estimated base rate annual revenue, the service may nevertheless be provided (in most instances) upon contribution by the applicant of such excess. For service to customers billed under Marginally Priced tariffs and in other instances deemed appropriate by the Company, the Company will perform a profitability analysis in lieu of considering 3½ times the estimated annual base rate revenue to determine if a contribution is required from the customer.

In the case of extension and/or connection to the underground distribution system, the applicant shall contribute the net cost of the job in excess of 2½ times the estimated base rate revenue to be derived from the service during the first year. The Company shall not be required to extend an underground connection more than three feet beyond the property line of the applicant, and shall not be required to extend its underground system and make connection thereto when the applicant could be served from an existing overhead distribution system.

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3. Estimated revenues shall be determined: (a) in the case of residential service, from the table of averages published periodically by the Company; or (b) in the case of other classes of service, on the basis of anticipated use by the particular customer involved and the existing applicable rate schedule. In no case will revenue be credited to a job or line extension from any customer who could be served without undertaking the job or making the extension.
4. Net cost of the job shall include all charges thereto for materials, labor and overheads, in furnishing and erecting poles, towers, crossarms and fixtures, stringing wire, making service connections, providing transformation and metering equipment, etc., in accordance with Paragraph 2 hereof, less credits for salvage, if any. Line cost includes only those items pertaining to the line extension itself, omitting service connections, transformers and meters.
5. Applications for service to a load drawing an inrush current in excess of the limits specified: (a) in the case of residential service, the residential rate schedule; or (b) in the case of other classes of service, the booklet entitled, "Electric Service and Metering Installations"; or applications for three-phase service shall be given special consideration by the Company to determine the most economical method of serving the load, taking into account the availability of supply lines, the nature and location of the load to be served and its effect upon service rendered to neighboring customers, the relative merits of providing single or three-phase service, and other factors of weight in reaching a decision. Such decision shall rest solely with the Company, but should the applicant desire service of a different type or rendered in a different manner, service may be so supplied, at the option of the Company, provided the applicant contributes, in addition to his contribution toward receiving service (if any), the increased cost occasioned thereby.
6. Application for commercial power service requiring excessive capacity because of large momentary current requirements, or to provide unusually close voltage regulation (transformer type welders, x-ray machines, etc.) shall be given special consideration by the Company to determine the most economical method of serving the load without causing objectionable voltage fluctuations. It may or may not be necessary to isolate such load from other services by providing a separate transformer and separate connection to the primary circuit, but the surcharge provided in the rate schedule shall apply whether or not such separate connection is actually made. Such surcharge covers the excess capacity required by the customer and in no case is to be determined by the equipment or capacity actually installed by the Company at the time service of this type is initiated.

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7. The Company shall not be required to begin construction on any extension of its retail distribution lines until signed service contracts have been obtained covering the business upon which the estimated revenue is based, nor until at least 75% of the signed customers have either wired their premises to permit the utilization of the service contracted for or have executed bona fide contracts covering such wiring.
8. Refund, to the extent of the amount contributed, will be made to the applicant or applicants who shared in the cost of an extension of the Company's retail distribution system under any of the above provisions for each new customer or load connected thereto, provided such connection is made and refund applied for within a period of five years from the date of the original extension agreement. The amount of such refund shall be determined by recalculating the extension, including the new customer or load as a part thereof, and (a) if such recalculation would result in decreasing the current balance in the original parties' contribution account, appropriate refund will be made, and the original extension agreement will be amended to include the new customer or load as a party thereto as of the original date, and such new customer or load shall be required to make contribution as called for by such recalculation, or (b) if such recalculation would result in increasing the current balance in the original parties' contribution account, then the original extension shall remain unchanged without refund or additional contribution due, and provision of service to the new customer or load shall be treated as a new separate extension.
9. The foregoing extension and connection regulations do not apply to temporary service. Temporary service is defined as service to construction jobs, fairs, carnivals, fruit stands, Christmas tree stands, and to similar locations and structures where such service will be for less than twelve months duration or will be required for more than twelve months and the facilities necessary to supply the required service will be removed at a later date when the customer has service discontinued. All extensions and connections for temporary service shall be made in accordance with the following:
  - (a) When temporary service is desired at premises which are already wired and connected to the retail distribution system, and the Company has no expense in establishing service other than the installation of the necessary metering equipment, no connection charge will be made.
  - (b) In case the provision of temporary service involves cost for labor and material other than the meter installation, the applicant shall pay \$50.00 towards the estimated cost of establishing and dismantling the service facilities, less salvage value of the material used. This temporary service fee will be increased to \$75.00 on January 1, 2009 and increased to \$100.00 on January 1, 2010.
  - (c) When a temporary service customer continues to take service for more than twelve (12) consecutive months, the customer will start earning refunds of 20% of the amount paid for electric service beginning with the thirteenth (13) month. The amount of refund earned will be paid to the customer when service is discontinued or at the end of the 24th month and at the end of each 12 month period thereafter. The sum of the refunds shall not be more than the amount paid, as required, in (b) above. No refund will be made after the first six years of service.

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10. The Company shall not be required to spend more than 3.5 times the estimated annual base rate revenue for providing residential service. Where the cost to serve does exceed this maximum expenditure, a payment in the amount of such excess will be obtained; and  
When underground residential distribution is desired or service requested in a designated underground distribution area:
  - (a) The Company will install, own and maintain a 120/240 volt, single phase underground system including the service laterals.
  - (b) The Company will obtain a payment in advance for each service point connection, in compliance with the Georgia Public Service Commission ruling effective January 1, 2008. The current payment amount is \$450.00 per service point connection. The Underground Service Lateral fee will be increased to \$575.00 on January 1, 2009 and increased to \$725.00 on January 1, 2010.