

LIGHTING

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SECTION 4 - LIGHTING

- 4.1 Applicability - to the illumination of streets, highways and pedestrian walkways and to any outdoor lighting application such as parks, parking lots, school yards, etc. provided that the area to be lit has adequate accessibility and that stock coded and inventoried material is used in the supply of this lighting. Illumination will be supplied by the installation of individual lights or designed lighting systems.
- 4.2 Ownership - The Corporation will provide, install and maintain ownership and maintenance responsibility for each of the above classes of lighting except:
- a) where special facilities not available from standard Corporation stock are required, or
 - b) where the required luminary mounting height exceeds standard Corporation design criteria.

In such cases, the requesting authority will be required to provide and maintain its own lighting system.

4.3 Corporation Investment

- 4.3.1 Corporation-Owned Lighting - Individual Lights and Designed Lighting Systems (New or Rebuild) - The Corporation will invest a maximum amount equal to two years of anticipated revenue calculated on the basis of the number of new lights and the allowable investment for each type and size of light towards the cost of installing new lights or lighting systems or the rebuild of existing Corporation owned lighting systems. (NOTE: the age of any lighting fixtures removed must be determined to enable the calculation of applicable "undepreciated investment" charges as detailed in Section 4.4 - Customer Contributions.) Where such installations are at seasonally operated summer resorts, the standard investment shall be reduced proportionally, based on the seasonal usage.
- 4.3.2 Customer-Owned Lighting - Where the lighting installation is privately owned, the Corporation will absorb an amount in accordance with the appropriate General Service rate classification.

4.4 Customer Contribution Determination

- 4.4.1 Corporation Owned Lighting - Individual Lights and Designed Lighting Systems (New or Rebuild) - The requesting authority will be required to contribute the amount by which the total estimated construction costs exceed the Corporation investment indicated in Section 4.3. In addition, where a project involves the removal of existing lighting in service for less than 20 years the customer will be assessed an amount equal to the undepreciated value of the Corporation's original capital investment for such lighting i.e., if a 250 WMV light being removed had been installed 12 years earlier, the customer would be assessed a charge amounting to $8/20 \times \$160 = \64 .
- 4.4.2 Customer Owned Lighting - The requesting authority will be required to contribute any amount by which total estimated construction costs exceed the Corporation investment indicated in Section 4.3.

4.5 Customer Contribution Payment - customers will normally be required to make a cash deposit towards any required contribution at the time of their acceptance or our quotation amounting to the greater of:

- a) the total construction charge amount up to \$2 000, or
- b) 25% of the required construction charge.

The balance of the required amount will be invoiced to the customer after completion of construction, and payment of the invoice is subject to the same Late Payment Charges applicable to delinquent energy accounts.

Federal, provincial and municipal governments, school boards, oil companies, grain elevator companies and other companies operating on a national or provincial basis are exempt from the deposit requirements.

4.6 Construction Charge Financing Option - customers may be eligible for financing of their construction charge for new service installations, capacity increase installations or temporary service installations subject to the following:

- a) a minimum 25 percent down payment;
- b) the minimum financing per customer is five thousand dollars, net of the down payment, to a maximum of two million dollars, net of the down payment, per customer;
- c) a credit rating acceptable to SaskPower;
- d) provision of security acceptable to SaskPower.

4.6.1 Financing Terms - the customer will have an option of a one year to a five year term or a ten year term. Interest rates will vary with the term and size of the financing and will be periodically revised by SaskPower; however the interest rate will be fixed for the full term of each individual financing.

4.7 Billing Rates

4.7.1 Corporation-Owned Systems - Standard street lighting rates are applicable to all Corporation-owned lighting.

4.7.2 Customer-Owned Systems - Where lighting installations are customer-owned, the appropriate General Service rate is applicable.

4.8 Billing Commencement - energy account billing on all new service extensions will normally commence on the earlier of:

- a) the date the customer requests delivery of energy, or
- b) 60-days after completion of the project

- 4.9 Design Standards - While every reasonable effort should be made to promote the installation of lighting systems designed in accordance with Corporation standards, ultimately the level of illumination and type of lighting will be in accordance with the applicant's request. "Sentinel" lighting units may be provided, but should only be considered for lighting in back lanes, resort areas, hamlets or other locations where their design will provide adequate lighting.

All Corporation-owned lighting will be controlled by photo-electric switches set to operate the lights from dusk to dawn.

- 4.10 Requests and Approvals - All requests for the installation of street or highway lighting must be made by authorized Department of Highways or community officials, and such officials shall be required to sign a plan approving the size, type, and location of all street light and pole locations.

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