

SECTION 4
SERVICE CONNECTIONS

A. Definition of Water Service Connection

Upon approval of the application of any Owner or duly authorized agent for a supply of water and the issuance of a Water Service Permit, the Authority will tap the main, insert corporation stop, carry service pipe to curb or Property line and install a curb stop and service box and water meter. The Authority will be responsible for the maintenance and repairs of the Service Pipe between the main and the curb stop only. The cost of constructing the Service Pipe, including corporation stop, service pipe and curb stop will be billed to the permittee.

B. Period of Installation

No service connection will be installed during the period that street openings are prohibited nor at any time when in the judgment of the Authority, working conditions are unreasonable for such installation.

C. House Connection From Curb to Property

The House Connection beyond the curb stop shall be installed and maintained by and at the expense of the Consumer. The House Connection installed by the Consumer shall be not less in size and quality than the Service Pipe in the street laid by the Authority, and shall be laid with a minimum of 3-1/2 feet of cover and shall terminate in a brass stop and waste cock of approved pattern within the Property at a point easily accessible to the occupants for protection against leaks and freezing in piping of the Property and to facilitate repairs thereto. The House Connection shall not be covered until the House Connection is tested. If any defects in workmanship are found, the service will be turned on until such defects are remedied. All plumbing connections shall withstand a pressure of at least 150 pounds per square inch.

D. Location of Service Pipe

The location of the Service Pipe will be designated by the Authority and no Service Pipe shall occupy the same trench

with sewer pipe or any facility of another service company, nor be within three feet of any open excavation or vault.

E. Renewal of Services

When it is necessary to renew an existing Service Pipe from the street main to the curb, the Authority will renew said Service Pipe at the same size in the same location as the old one; but if the Consumer, for his own convenience, desires the new Service Pipe at some other location and agrees to pay all expenses of cutting off the old Service

Pipe at the main, the Authority will lay the Service Pipe at the location desired. When the Consumer desires a change in location or size of an existing Service Pipe, the entire cost shall be borne by the Consumer.

F. Repair of Leaks

(a) Procedure. All leaks in Service Pipes and fixtures in, on or under property of any Consumer or water customer of the Authority (including both domestic and fire service lines) shall be repaired promptly by the Consumer at the Consumer's sole expense. Upon discovery of a leak, the Authority will permit three (3) calendar days for Consumer to complete repairs before imposing charges for water lost due to the leak. The Authority may, upon notice to the Consumer, discontinue water service until all necessary repairs have been made and all applicable costs and expenses paid.

(b) Costs and Expenses. In addition to the cost of repair, Consumers shall be liable to the Authority for prompt payment of (i) water lost to leakage at the rate of \$10.00 per 1000 gallons; (ii) personnel costs for time spent by Authority employees to oversee or direct repairs (if necessary, or if requested by Consumer) at the rate of \$30.00 per hour for each hour or fraction thereof beyond three (3) hours; (iii) water turn-off and turn-on charges at regular rates, if applicable; and (iv) reimbursement of all direct costs incurred by the Authority to assist or effectuate leak repairs or to protect its water system and/or flows and pressures within its system during a leak event. (Rev. 6/06/12)

G. Private Water Supply

No person obtaining water from a private water supply, under any circumstances, shall construct or maintain, or cause or permit to be constructed or maintained, any connection, directly or indirectly, between such private water supply and the Water System being operated by the Authority, except pursuant to an agreement with the Authority providing for dedication of such water supply, together with all pumps, valves, water lines and other appurtenances thereto, to be dedicated to the Authority. The Authority will not consider any request for such an agreement relative to water wells with a tested production capacity of 75 gallons per minute or less. Further, the Authority will not consider any request for such an agreement unless the water quality is in accordance with all applicable state and federal regulations, and is deemed satisfactory in the sole discretion of the engineer for the Authority, and unless all hardware, pumps, pump buildings, softeners (where necessary) and other treatment equipment (where necessary) are satisfactory to the Authority's engineer in all respects, including installation. The Authority will not consider any request for such an agreement, if in the sole opinion of the engineer for the Authority, pumping from the well offered for dedication, at commercial production levels, would have an adverse affect on the water table or on the production capacity of any other well, public or private.

H. Control of Curb Stop

Under no circumstances shall any person not authorized by the Authority open or close the stops or valves in any public or private line.

I. Separate Connections

A separate service connection and curb box shall be installed for each Consumer Unit provided, however, that if a building, house or other structure contains two or more Consumer Units, and the Owner or Owners thereof so shall request or the Authority shall deem it available, the Authority, in its discretion, may install a single service connection and curb box for such building, house or other structure.

J. Violation of Rules

When two or more Consumers are supplied through a single Service Connection, any violation of the rules of the Authority by either or any of said Consumers shall be deemed a violation as to all and the Authority may take such action as could be taken against a single Consumer, except that such action shall not be taken until the innocent Consumer who is not in violation of the Authority's rules has been given reasonable opportunity to install a separate Service Pipe in compliance with these rules and regulations, and the appropriate legal requirements have been met.

K. Deposit for Line from Consumer Unit to Curb Stop

In all cases where a Consumer requests the Authority to install a water line between a Consumer Unit and a curb stop, payment of a \$200.00 deposit to the Authority shall be required to cover installation costs. The Authority shall be required to cover installation costs. The Authority shall be permitted to offset said deposit directly against costs of installation. In the event costs of installation exceed \$200.00, the Consumer shall be responsible for prompt payment to the Authority of any such excess costs. In the event costs of installation total less than \$200.00, the Authority shall promptly refund the difference to the Consumer.

L. Request for Water Service

In all cases where a consumer requests water service from the Authority for future needs for one or more Consumer Units to be developed by such Consumer or its agents, the Authority shall be under no obligation to commit to provide service in advance. If, in the Authority's sole discretion, it does commit to provide service up to a specified gallonage, such commitment shall be enforceable against the Authority only if tapping fees are delivered to the Authority and water service connections for such new Consumer Units are actually tapped and placed in service with the Authority, within 12 months of the date of such commitment. Any tapping fees delivered relative to such commitment shall be non-refundable, notwithstanding the expiration of the Authority's commitment under this provision.

M. Inspection/Costs of Inspection

Any duly authorized employee or agent of the Authority, bearing proper credentials and identification shall be permitted at any time to enter upon all properties within the limits of the Township or where the water system extends under contract for water supply service, for the purpose of inspecting, observing, measuring, sampling, and testing, as may be required to implement and enforce the terms and provisions of these Rules and Regulations. These inspection, observation, and other rights shall also apply to water service lines (the water service pipe from a point 5 feet outside a structure to the right-of-way line, curb line, curb stop or meter pit) and private water extensions (privately constructed, owned, and maintained water lines serving one or more structures, parcels, or facilities). These inspection rights shall include periodic construction observation to ensure compliance with the Authority's Specifications for Additions and Extensions to the water system and these Rules and Regulations. All water main extensions and non-residential water service lines shall be subject to inspection and testing to assure installation in accordance with Authority's requirements for water tightness, air tightness and pipe integrity. All testing shall be witnessed or performed by the Authority's representative. The escrow deposits required under Section 7 of the Authority's Rules and Regulations shall include an amount sufficient to secure and pay the Authority's expenses for inspection, construction observation and testing. In the event any owner or developer installs a non-residential service line in a situation where no escrow is required under Section 7 of the Authority's Rules and Regulations, such owner or developer shall be directly responsible to the Authority for all costs associated with inspection of such non-residential water service lines.

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