

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW MEXICO

**4th REVISED RULE NO. 16
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**SERVICE POINT AND RESPONSIBILITY
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- A. The Service Point as confirmed or designated by the Company shall be the point where the facilities of the Company connect to the facilities furnished by the Customer as provided by this Rule, Rule 18, and the Company Standards. x
- B. The Responsibility of the Company--The Company will install one set of service wires for residential or overhead commercial customers together with necessary meters and metering transformers to each Service Point. This equipment will be owned and maintained by the Company. For new load or line extensions, meter and service costs will be paid by the Customer in accordance with the current Line Extension Policy. The Customer must pay 100% of all meter and service costs resulting from customer-caused meter relocations.
- C. The Responsibilities of the Customer or Property Owner (referred hereinafter in this rule as Customer)
1. The Customer will install, own, and maintain the service entrance equipment (type and specification to be approved by the Company) which shall extend from the Service Point to the Customer's service entrance switch. This shall include conduit, wires, and meter base, socket or enclosure as required.
 2. The Customer must exercise due care for the protection of the property of the Company on the Customer's premises.
 3. The Company assumes no responsibility as to wiring, fixtures and equipment on any Customer's premises further than to provide the proper meter and outside service connection from service main to first point of attachment on building or other structure being served, as provided herein. Also, the Customer must properly notify the Company of any changes in connected load or equipment, including customer sited generation, on the Customer's premises as may occur from time to time. x
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 4. The Customer shall use reasonable care in designing and connecting loads to his circuits so that the loads on the individual phases and circuits of the Company's service to the Customer shall be as nearly balanced as possible across the various phases.
 5. The Customer agrees, in accepting service, that no one except the employees of the Company shall be allowed to make an internal or external adjustment of any meter or any other piece of apparatus which is the property of the Company.
 6. When the Customer furnishes the necessary equipment to take service at primary voltage, such equipment shall include a gang-operated switch located next to the metering installation and capable of interrupting the Customer's entire system load. In addition, PNM requires a suitable main overcurrent device. Switches installed on an overhead system must be readily and safely operable from the ground in the event that untrained persons gain access to the switch. Switches installed on

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an underground system shall be located next to the primary metering installation. It shall be accessible and readily and safely operable by untrained personnel, and shall be mechanically interlocked to prevent access to energized parts in the main overcurrent device.

7. The customer shall be responsible for providing protection against any single-phasing conditions. All protective devices furnished by the Customer shall have time current characteristics which coordinate with protective devices on the Company's system.
8. The Customer agrees, in accepting service, that the Company has the right to trim or remove trees, vines, shrubbery, or other vegetation on his/her property which may in the Company's determination interfere with the Company's facilities. If the property owner objects to such clearance, the Company may change or relocate the Service Point to meet requirements, with the full cost of the change or relocation being borne by the customer or property owner.

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