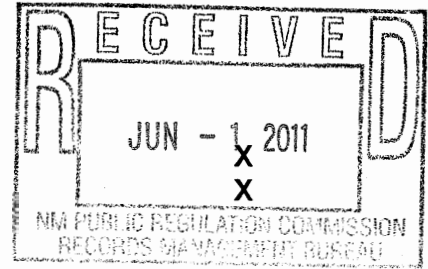


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SERVICE CONNECTIONS



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The ordinary method of connection between the Company's distribution system and the customer's service wires shall be:

- (a) Where Company's general distribution system in a given district is overhead, customer's service wires will be overhead.
- (b) Where Company's general distribution system in a given district is underground, customer's service wires will be underground.

If the customer shall desire to have connection made in any other way than specified above, special arrangement may, at the Company's option, be made between the customer and the Company by which the connection will be made and maintained at the customer's expense.

In overhead districts, conduit for customer's service leads shall be provided with approved fittings with drip loop and with wires extending at least twenty-four (24) inches beyond its end. In underground districts, conduit for customer's service leads shall be provided with approved fittings and terminate in Company's service box with wires extending at least thirty-six (36) inches beyond its end.

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