

**TITLE 19**

**ELECTRICITY AND GAS**

**CHAPTER**

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**ELECTRICITY<sup>1</sup>**

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**19-101. To be furnished under franchise.** Electricity shall be furnished for the municipality and its inhabitants under such franchise as the municipal governing body shall grant. The rights, powers, duties, and obligations of the municipality, its inhabitants, and the grantee of the franchise shall be clearly stated in the written franchise agreement which shall be binding on all parties concerned. (1989 Code, § 13-301)

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<sup>1</sup>Municipal code reference  
Electrical code: title 12.

## CHAPTER 2

### GAS<sup>1</sup>

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**19-201. Monthly charges.** The following, except as hereinafter provided, shall be the schedule of monthly charges for natural gas and services furnished by the natural gas system of the Town of Livingston, Tennessee, to wit:

(1) **General gas rate.** Applicable to all customers whose monthly usage is less than seven thousand five hundred cubic feet (7,500 CCF).

First 300 CCF or less	\$4.05 (minimum bill)
All over 300 CCF	Actual cost per 100 CCF delivered to the city, plus fifty cents (\$0.50) per 100 cubic feet.

(2) **Industrial gas rate.** Applicable to all industrial customers whose monthly usage is seven thousand five hundred cubic feet (7,500 CCF) or more.

(3) **Rate.** Actual cost per one thousand cubic feet (1,000 MCF) of gas delivered to the city, plus two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per MCF.

The above rates shall be adjusted monthly, up or down, as the price of gas fluctuates up or down.

No natural gas service shall be rendered free of charge to any person, firm, corporation or to the Town of Livingston. (1989 Code, § 13-501, as amended by Ord. #2006-\_\_, Dec. 2006)

**19-202. Monthly bills.** All gas meters shall be read monthly and bills rendered monthly based on such reading. All bills shall be due and payable from and after the date on which such bills are received. (1989 Code, § 13-502)

**19-203. Billing when meter is inoperative.** In the event any meter shall be found to be inoperative at the end of any billing period or to be faulty

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<sup>1</sup>See title 12 in this code for the plumbing and gas codes.

See § 12-403, "Gas requirements," for installation criteria.

or inaccurate for any reason, the meter will be replaced or repaired as soon as possible and the bill for natural gas used during the current period shall be the average of the last three (3) monthly bills. (1989 Code, § 13-503)

**19-204. Delinquent bills.** A penalty of ten percent (10%) shall be assessed after the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Service shall be subject to termination after the 3<sup>rd</sup> of the following month, unless satisfactory arrangements have been made for delayed payment. (Ord. #2006-\_\_\_, Dec. 2006)

**19-205. Tampering with meters, reconnecting service, etc.** It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to tamper with or change any gas meter, or to make any connection to the system without permission from the town, or to reconnect service, when it shall have been disconnected for non-payment of a bill for service, until such bill shall have been paid in full, including the reconnection fee. (1989 Code, § 13-505)

**19-206. Changes in service charges.** Since the issuance and sale of Natural Gas System Revenue Bonds dated July 1, 1960, is predicated upon a covenant by the town to maintain rates for the service provided by the natural gas system as shall produce income and revenues sufficient to pay the reasonable cost of operation and maintenance of said system and to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds punctually and promptly as the same shall become due, and to maintain a reasonable reserve therefor, the rates in this chapter shall not be changed to the extent that the covenant above referred to would be impaired or adversely affected. (1989 Code, § 13-506)

**19-207. Cash deposits for service.** Each customer shall, before connecting with the system, obtain a permit therefor from the town and shall deposit ten dollars (\$10.00) as security for the prompt payment of all accounts of the subscriber with the system, which deposit shall be returned to the subscriber upon termination of the services if all charges due the town shall have been paid, but in the event that the subscriber shall become in arrears in such charges, then such deposit shall be used in whole or in part, in liquidation of same, and the deposit by the subscriber shall be his consent to such use in such an event. All such deposits shall be retained in a separate account to be accounted for at the termination of service, except in the case of a subscriber becoming in arrears in charges, in which event the deposit may be withdrawn from the special account and applied to the payment of the delinquent charge. (1989 Code, § 13-507)