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19-101. <u>To be furnished under franchise</u>. Electricity shall be furnished for the municipality and its inhabitants under such franchise as the governing body shall grant.¹ 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. (1996 Code, § 19-101)

¹The agreements are of record in the office of the city recorder.

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19-201. <u>**Provision of service**</u>. (1) Whenever a potential customer makes an oral or written request for natural gas service, the city shall cause an inspection to be made as soon after receiving the request as same may be accomplished practicably.

(2) Upon completion of said inspection of the potential customer's property, the city shall give to the potential customer a written estimate of the charge to be made by the city for extending the required lines from the existing line or lines to the appropriate meter location (to be determined by the city).

(3) The customer shall be required to pay to the city the amount of said estimate before any work is begun. In the event that the actual cost of the work exceeds the amount of the estimate and the customer's payment, then the customer will be billed for the overage.

(4) In cases where the extensions of the line or lines in the manner set out above will provide service to only one customer, the city's estimate and the customer's payment shall include the city's charge for tapping the main line. In cases where the extension will provide services to more than one customer (i.e., apartment house, duplex, etc.) the tapping of the main line shall be done at the expense of the city and no charge for same shall be included in the estimate or the customers' payment. (1996 Code, § 19-201)

19-202. <u>Schedule of rates</u>. All gas service shall be furnished under such rate schedules as the city may from time to time adopt, prescribe, or approve.¹ (1996 Code, § 19-202)

19-203. <u>**Tap fee**</u>. The City of Lobelville has set an eight hundred dollar (\$800.00) tap fee on natural gas for customers outside the city limits and a four hundred dollar (\$400.00) tap fee on natural gas for customers inside the city limits per service. Additional charges will be assessed on lines in excess of one hundred fifty feet (150') and if the scope of work is outside the normal tap fee range.

¹Administrative ordinances and resolutions, etc., are of record in the recorder's office.

(1) Whenever a potential customer makes an oral or written request for gas, they shall first pay the tap fee before work is done. The tap fee will be paid at the Lobelville City Hall.

(2) Upon completion of the work, a review of the work will be done, and if it runs over the said tap fee the potential customers will have to pay the difference. (1996 Code, § 19-203, modified)

19-204. <u>Non-refundable deposit required for service</u>. The City of Lobelville has set a seventy-five dollar (\$75.00) non-refundable deposit for renters and a fifty dollar (\$50.00) non-refundable deposit for home owners for natural gas service. Whenever a potential customer makes a written request for natural gas, they shall first pay the deposit before services can be connected. (1996 Code, § 19-204)