Voluntary Meter Removal Policy No. 29-12

Customers may desire removal of water meters in the event that they will not be utilizing service in the immediate future, such as when homes are destroyed by fire or demolished, or service is otherwise no longer required at the property. This policy is designed to address those circumstances where the meter is intended to be removed from service for a period of one year or longer and the need to read and maintain the meter is no longer required.

Voluntary meter removal requested by a customer will be completed subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. Requests for voluntary meter removal must be submitted in writing to Sunrise staff;
2. The account associated with the meter to be removed must be paid in full prior to removal of the meter;
3. The requesting party will pay for the estimated costs of removing the meter;
4. Any request to reinstall the meter will be subject to the following schedule of charges (not additive):
    a. From 0-12 months (first year) from the date of removal, a fee equivalent to the service charges that would have been collected for the period between the date of removal and reinstallation, plus with the estimated cost for reinstallation;
    b. From 13-24 months (second year) from the date of removal, a fee equivalent to one complete year of service charges that would have been collected for the meter, plus the estimated cost for reinstallation;
    c. Beyond 24 months from the date of removal, a fee equivalent to the current cost of a new meter assembly, plus the estimated cost of installation.
5. The estimated cost of removal or reinstallation shall include all staff labor hours at fully burdened rates and any materials (or other associated costs) required therein.
6. Sunrise Staff will record the meter removal for the parcel in order to assure that no SDC charges will be assessed upon future reinstallation of the meter at that parcel. The SDC credit created upon removal is non-transferrable to any other parcel and shall only be applied to reinstallation of a water service of the same size to the original parcel from which service was removed or to a parcel created as a result of subdivision of the parcel from which the meter was removed.

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