

**FITCHBURG GAS AND ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY****RESIDENTIAL ADVANCED METER READING OPT-OUT PROVISION****1.0 Availability**

Service under this provision is available to residential customers receiving metered retail delivery service under the Company's Schedule RD-1, Residential Delivery Service tariff and Schedule RD-2, Low-Income Residential Delivery Service tariff.

**2.0 Description of Services**

Unless otherwise determined by the Company, all residential premises shall be equipped with a meter that employs Advanced Metering Infrastructure ("AMI") utilizing radio frequency, powerline carrier or cellular transmitters to allow the Company to obtain meter readings remotely. However, residential customers may choose to "opt-out" by either notifying the Company of their request to not having an advanced meter installed at their location or having their advanced meter replaced with a non-advanced meter. At the customer's request, the Company shall exchange the existing advanced electric meter at the customer's location and install a non-advanced meter for the purpose of billing electric service to the customer. Upon receipt of the Customer's request, the Company shall use its best efforts to exchange meters as soon as possible after receiving the request.

However, the Company reserves the right to flexibility in scheduling the meter exchange in an appropriate manner based on resource availability. Customers who choose to opt-out will be charged an initial fee for the removal of the existing advanced meter and the installation of the non-advanced meter, pursuant to the Schedule of Charges below. Customers who choose to optout will also be charged a monthly meter reading fee for the non-advanced meter, pursuant to the Schedule of Charges below. If the Company is unable for any reason to read the meter on the regularly scheduled monthly read date, the Company shall make a reasonable estimate of the consumption of electricity during those months when the meter is not read, based on available data, and such estimated bills shall be payable as rendered. The monthly meter reading fee will be charged on estimated bills. The Company will not assess any fees until after the Company has installed the non-advanced meter.

Any opt-out customer who subsequently wishes to have an AMI meter installed or reinstalled will be charged a "re-installation fee" pursuant to the Schedule of Charges below. The re-installation fee will be charged for the removal of the non-advanced meter and the installation of an AMI meter. After an AMI meter has been re-installed, the Company will terminate billing the monthly meter reading fee. When a new customer of record at a service location at which a previous customer of record had opted out of an AMI meter requests the installation of an AMI meter, the new customer of record shall not be assessed the Re-installation of Advanced Meter fee below.

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**3.0 Schedule of Charges**

The Advanced Meter Opt-Out Charges are as follows:

Removal of Advanced Meter/Installation of Non-Advanced Meter	\$46.00
Monthly Meter Reading	\$18.00
Re-installation of Advanced Meter	\$46.00

**4.0 Terms and Conditions**

The Company's Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service in effect from time to time where not inconsistent with any specific provisions hereof, are a part of this tariff.