
GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS
(continued)

Rule 8. House Piping and Gas Appliance Standards.

Customer shall be responsible for all **house piping** and equipment beyond Company meter and accessories thereto. All house piping and equipment, except Company-owned rental equipment, shall belong to and be installed and maintained by the customer at customer expense. Customer shall keep all fixtures and piping beyond the meter in safe working order. Any loss or damage through leaks beyond the meter is at the risk and expense of the customer.

All gas appliances, installation thereof, vents and connections, safety devices and pipe fittings of customer-owned gas piping and equipment on customer's premises shall conform to the specifications of regulatory authorities, applicable standards of the American National Standards Institute, Inc., and the Company's Standard Practices covering regulators, safety shut-off valves, flame safety devices and other equipment and gas system requirements. The Company reserves the right to refuse or discontinue service in the event such standards are not met. Applicable publications of the American National Standards Institute, Inc. are: Standard Z223.1 (NFPA No. 54), "National Fuel Gas Code"; and Standard Z21.8, "Installation of Domestic Gas Conversion Burners."

The Company will not connect meters to piping or appliances known to be defective. Where, in the course of normal business activities, the Company finds the piping or appliances on customers' premise to be defective or in an unsafe condition, the Company may immediately disconnect service under **RULE 5** of this **Tariff**, subject to applicable charges.

The Company will not be held responsible for any injury to persons or property caused by or in any way resulting from the negligent installation or maintenance of customer's gas pipes, appliances and appurtenances.

In case of a **natural gas** leak in the house piping, customer shall notify the Company immediately. No flames should be taken near the leak and the **premises** must be freely ventilated at once and kept ventilated until the leak is found and repaired. No deduction for the gas leakage will be made from the amount registered by the meter.

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