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option, test the meter and adjust the charges accordingly if the meter either overregisters or underregisters. No charge for meter testing will be made to the customer for the meter test under these conditions.

12.3 Adjustment of bills for meter error.

12.3.1 Fast meters. When, upon test, a meter is found to be registering more than 2 per cent fast under normal operating conditions, the city will refund to the customer the full amount of the overcharge, based on corrected meter readings, not exceeding two regular billing periods that the meter was in use.

12.3.2 Slow meters. When, upon test, a meter is found to be registering more than 10 per cent slow, the city may bill the customer for the amount of the undercharge, based upon corrected meter readings, not exceeding two regular billing periods that the meter was in use.

12.3.3 Nonregistering meters. The city will bill the customer for water consumed while the meter was not registering. The bill will be computed upon an estimate of consumption based either upon the customer's prior use during the same season of the previous year, or upon a reasonable comparison with the use of other customers receiving the same class of service during the same season and under similar circumstances and conditions, or both.

Section 13. Discontinuance of Service.

13.1 On customer request. Each customer about to vacate any premises supplied with water service by the city shall give the city written notice of his intentions at least two days prior thereto, specifying the date service is to be discontinued; otherwise, he will be responsible for all water supplied to such premises until the city shall receive notice of such removal.

At the time specified by the customer that he expects to vacate the premises where service is supplied or that he desires to be discontinued, the meter will be read and a bill rendered which is payable immediately. In no case will the bill be less than the proportionate share of the monthly minimum specified in the schedule applying to the class or classes of service furnished.

13.2 Nonpayment of bills. A customer's water service may be discontinued if the water bill is not paid in accordance with the procedures listed in subsection 11.6 of these rules and regulations.

13.3 Improper customer facilities.

13.3.1 Unsafe facilities. The city may refuse to furnish water and may discontinue services to any premises without prior notice where plumbing facilities, appliances, or equipment using water are dangerous, unsafe, or not in conformity with the plumbing code of the state of Oregon.

13.3.2 Cross connections. A cross connection is defined as any physical connection between the water system and another source.

The city will not serve premises where a cross connection exists unless:

- (1) The customer can demonstrate to the board that the facilities will not endanger the public water supply;
- (2) The customer can present the installation plans approved by the Oregon State Board of Health;
- (3) The customer can show conclusively that the facilities were installed as approved; and
- (4) The overall plan will not conflict with the best interests of the city of Lexington.

13.4 Water waste. Where water is wastefully or negligently used on a customer's premises, seriously affecting the general service, the city may discontinue