

STATE OF MISSOURI, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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THE EMPIRE DISTRICT GAS COMPANY
d/b/a Liberty Utilities or Liberty
JOPLIN, MO 64802

FOR: Sedalia, Missouri and Surrounding Rural Areas
Empire District Gas Residential Low-Income Customers

RULES AND REGULATIONS GAS

9.07 ~~Experimental~~ Low Income Affordability Program ("ELIPLIAP") (Continued)

- ~~4. Participants who have outstanding arrearages shall enter into special payment agreements through which the arrearages shall be paid monthly, in an amount mutually agreed upon by both the participants and Company, not to exceed \$20/month. This payment agreement will be considered a deferred payment agreement for purposes of R-31-6.09 A.~~
- ~~5. Participants must provide, via an interview or questionnaire, information related to their energy use and program participation. Any information provided in these interviews or questionnaires that are later made public will not be associated with the participants name, street address or telephone number.~~
- ~~6. Any provision of the Company's Rules and Regulations applicable to the Company's residential customer will also apply to ELIP customers.~~

ENERGY ASSISTANCE

- ~~1. Participants who have not previously completed an application for a Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program ("LIHEAP") grant agree to apply for a LIHEAP grant when such grants become available. Company, through the Agencies, shall assist ELIP participants with completion of LIHEAP application forms when such assistance is required.~~
- ~~2. Applicants agree to apply for any other available energy assistance programs identified by the Company, including the LIWAP weatherization program administered by MVCAA.~~

CREDIT AMOUNT

~~Eligible customers will receive a monthly bill credit equal to the monthly customer charge. In the billing months of November through April, eligible customers with household incomes ranging from 0% to 135% of the FPL will receive a bill credit of \$30. Participants will receive the ELIP credit each month during the months of November to March, as long as the participant continues to meet the ELIP eligibility requirements.~~

~~Up to 120 participants shall receive the ELIP credit in the following amounts, not to exceed the participant's monthly utility bill:~~

- ~~Group A—\$60 per month~~
- ~~Group B—\$40 per month~~

DISCONTINUANCE AND REINSTATEMENT:

Company may discontinue a participant's ELIP-LIAP credit for any of the following reasons:

- ~~1. If Company, through MVCAAthe CAA, determines that the participant no longer meets the eligibility requirements set forth in this tariff.~~
- ~~2. If the participant submits a written request to Company asking that the ELIP-LIAP be discontinued.~~
- ~~3. If the participant does not conform to Company's rules and regulations as approved by the Missouri Public Service Commission, and as a result, the participant has Schedule RS service discontinued by the Company.~~
- ~~4. If Commission-approved funding for the program is exhausted, committed, or discontinued for any reason.~~
- ~~3-5. If the customer fails to meet eligibility requirements as defined above, particularly remain current with all Company bills within two (2) billing cycles.~~

Reinstatement of the ELIP credit following discontinuance in the above circumstances and after the participant again meets the eligibility requirements will be at the discretion of the Company.

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