

ELECTRIC-COMPANY-MAY-NOT-TERMINATE, REFUSE-TO-REINSTATE, SERVICE, OR-REQUIRE-IMMEDIATE-PAYMENT-OF-A-RECONNECTION-FEE-AS-A-CONDITION-OF-REINSTATEMENT-OF-SERVICE-TO-ANY-RESIDENTIAL-CUSTOMER-WHO-IS-ELIGIBLE-FOR-FEDERAL-ENERGY-ASSISTANCE-THROUGH-THE-MARYLAND-ENERGY-ASSISTANCE-PROGRAM-ADMINISTERED-BY-THE-DEPARTMENT-OF-HUMAN-RESOURCES--AND--WHO--HAS-FAILED-TO-MAKE-TIMELY-PAYMENT-FOR-GAS-OR-ELECTRIC-SERVICES-RENDERED, PROVIDED-THAT--SUCH--PERSON--MAKES--A-PAYMENT-OF-AT-LEAST-THE-GREATER-OF-

(1)--\$25--OR

(2)--10-PERCENT-OF-THE-CURRENT-MONTH'S-BILL-

(C)--DURING--THE--PERIOD-NOVEMBER-1-THROUGH-MARCH-31-OF-EACH-YEAR, A-GAS-COMPANY, AN-ELECTRIC-COMPANY, OR-A-GAS--AND--ELECTRIC-COMPANY-MAY-NOT-TERMINATE-SERVICE-TO-ANY-RESIDENTIAL-CUSTOMER-NOT-COVERED--UNDER--SUBSECTION--(B)-OF-THIS-SECTION-FOR-NONPAYMENT-OF-BILLS, IF-TERMINATION-POSES-A-THREAT-TO-LIFE, HEALTH, OR--SAFETY-

(D)-(1)--AFTER--MARCH--31--AND--BEFORE--NOVEMBER--1,--A--GAS-COMPANY, AN-ELECTRIC-COMPANY, OR-A-GAS-AND-ELECTRIC-COMPANY--THAT-FURNISHES--ELECTRICITY--OR--GAS--SHALL--PROVIDE--ANY--RESIDENTIAL-CUSTOMER--WHOSE-ACCOUNT-IS-DELINQUENT-AN-OPPORTUNITY-TO-ENTER-INTO-A-REASONABLE-AMORTIZATION-AGREEMENT-WITH-THE-COMPANY-TO--PAY--THE-DELINQUENT--ACCOUNT--AND--AVOID--TERMINATION--OF--SERVICE, ---THE-AMORTIZATION--AGREEMENT--SHALL--PERMIT--THE--CUSTOMER--ADEQUATE-OPPORTUNITY--TO--APPLY--FOR--AND--RECEIVE--THE--BENEFITS--OF--ANY-AVAILABLE-SUBSIDY-PROGRAM-

(2)--NOTWITHSTANDING-THE-PROVISIONS-OF-PARAGRAPH--(1)-OF--THIS-SUBSECTION, A-GAS-COMPANY, AN-ELECTRIC-COMPANY, OR-A-GAS-AND-ELECTRIC-COMPANY-IS-NOT-PROHIBITED-FROM-PROVIDING-A-CUSTOMER-AN-OPPORTUNITY-TO-ENTER-INTO-A-REASONABLE-AMORTIZATION-AGREEMENT-PRIOR-TO-MARCH-31-

(E)--PRIOR--TO--TERMINATING--SERVICE--TO--ANY--RESIDENTIAL-CUSTOMER--AS--PROVIDED--IN--SUBSECTION-(C)-OF-THIS-SECTION, A-GAS-COMPANY, ELECTRIC-COMPANY, OR-GAS-AND-ELECTRIC-COMPANY, SHALL-

(1)--CERTIFY-TO-THE-COMMISSION, BY-AFFIDAVIT-FILED--AT-LEAST--24--HOURS-BEFORE-THE-SERVICE-TERMINATION, THAT-TERMINATION-WILL-NOT-CONSTITUTE-A-THREAT-TO-THE-LIFE, HEALTH, --OR--SAFETY--OF-THE-RESIDENTIAL-OCCUPANTS,

(2)--CERTIFY--TO-THE-COMMISSION, BY-AFFIDAVIT-FILED-AT-LEAST-24-HOURS-BEFORE-THE-SERVICE-TERMINATION, THAT-THE--CUSTOMER-DOES--NOT--QUALIFY--FOR--PARTICIPATION--IN--THE--MARYLAND--ENERGY-ASSISTANCE-PROGRAM,

(3)--NOTIFY-THE-RESIDENTIAL-CUSTOMER-OF-ITS-INTENT--TO-TERMINATE--SERVICE-FOR-NONPAYMENT-OF-BILLS-AT-LEAST-14-DAYS-PRIOR-TO-THE-DATE-OF-TERMINATION-AND-CERTIFY--TO--THE--COMMISSION--THAT-SUCH--PERSONAL--NOTIFICATION-WAS-MADE-AT-LEAST-14-DAYS-BEFORE-THE-SERVICE-TERMINATION, AND