

statement relates ceases to be effective. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN § 9-510, FOR PURPOSES OF §§ 9-519(F), 9-522(A), AND 9-523(B), THE FILING WITH THE FILING OFFICE OF A TERMINATION STATEMENT RELATING TO A FINANCING STATEMENT THAT INDICATES THAT THE DEBTOR IS A TRANSMITTING UTILITY ALSO CAUSES THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE FINANCING STATEMENT TO LAPSE.

9-515.

(c) The effectiveness of a filed financing statement lapses on the expiration of the period of its effectiveness unless before the lapse a continuation statement is filed pursuant to subsection (d). Upon lapse, a financing statement ceases to be effective and any security interest or agricultural lien that was perfected by the financing statement becomes unperfected, unless the security interest is perfected [without filing] OTHERWISE. If the security interest or agricultural lien becomes unperfected upon lapse, it is deemed never to have been perfected as against a purchaser of the collateral for value.

9-520.

(b) If a filing office refuses to accept a record for filing, it shall communicate to the person that presented the record the fact of and reason for the refusal and the date and time the record would have been filed had the filing office accepted it. The communication must be made at the time and in the manner prescribed by filing-office rule [described in § 9-501(a)(2)].

9-521.

A filing office that accepts written records may not refuse to accept a written initial financing statement, FINANCING STATEMENT ADDENDUM, FINANCING STATEMENT AMENDMENT, AND FINANCING STATEMENT AMENDMENT ADDENDUM, in the form and format as produced for national use by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws except for a reason set forth in § 9-516(b).

9-525.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c), the fee for filing and indexing a record under this part, other than an initial financing statement of the kind described in § 9-502(c), is:

(1) \$20 if the record is communicated in writing and consists of eight or fewer pages;

(2) \$75 if the record is communicated in writing and consists of more than eight pages; and

(3) \$20 if the record is communicated by another medium authorized by filing-office rule.

(b) The number of names required to be indexed does not affect the amount of the fee in subsection (a).

(c) This section does not require a fee with respect to a record of a mortgage which is effective as a financing statement filed as a fixture filing or as a financing