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§ 898.1 Prohibition

Except as provided in section 898.2 of this Part, no landlord shall demand or accept any payment from any cable television company in exchange for permitting cable television service or facilities on or within said landlords; property or premises.

§ 898.2 Just compensation

Every landlord shall be entitled to the payment of just compensation for property taken by a cable television company for the installation of cable television service or facilities. The amount of just compensation shall be determined by the commission in accordance with section 228 (1)(b) of the Public Service Law upon application by the landlord pursuant to section 898.5 of this Part.

§ 898.3 Notice of installation

(a) Every cable television company proposing to install cable television service or facilities upon the property of a landlord shall serve upon said landlord or an authorized agent, written notice of intent thereof at least 15 days prior to the commencement of such installation.

(b) The secretary of the commission shall prescribe the procedure for service of such notice, and the form and content of such notice, which shall include, but need not be limited to:

- (i) the name and address of the cable television company;
- (ii) the name and address of the landlord;
- (iii) the approximate date of the installation; and
- (iv) a citation of section 228 of the Public Service Law and Part 898 of the commission's rules.

(c) Notice that installation of equipment has been completed may be served at any time on landlords upon whose property cable television service or facilities were placed prior to the effective date of this Part.

§ 898.4 Right of entry

(a) A cable television company shall have the right to enter property of the landlord for the purpose of making surveys or other investigations preparatory to the installation. Before such entry, the cable television company shall serve a notice upon the landlord, or an authorized agent, which notice shall contain the date of the entry and all other information described in section 898.3(b) of this Part. The cable television company shall be liable to the landlord for any damages caused by such entry but such damages shall not duplicate damages paid by the cable television company pursuant to section 228(1)(a)(3) of the Public Service Law.

(b) Where the installation of cable television service or facilities is not effected pursuant to a notice served in accordance with section 898.3 of this Part, the cable television company may file with the commission a petition, verified by an authorized officer of the cable television company setting forth:

- (1) proof of service of a notice of intent to install cable television service upon the landlord;
- (2) the specific location of the real property;
- (3) the resident address of the landlord, if known;

(4) a description of the facilities and equipment to be installed upon the property, including the type and method of installation, the anticipated costs thereof, and the measures to be taken to minimize the aesthetic impact of the installation;

(5) the name of the individual or officer responsible for the actual installation;

(6) a statement that the cable television company shall indemnify the landlord for any damage caused in connection with the installation, including proof of insurance or other evidence of ability to indemnify the landlord;

(7) a statement that the installation shall be conducted without prejudice to the rights of the landlord to just compensation in accordance with section 898.2 of this Part;

(8) a summary of efforts by the cable television company to effect entry of the property for the installation; and

(9) a statement that the landlord is afforded the opportunity to answer the petition within 20 days from the receipt thereof, which answer must be responsive to the petition and may set forth any additional matter not contained in the petition. Participation by the landlord is not mandatory, however, if no appearance by the landlord is made in the proceeding or no answer filed within the time permitted, the commission may grant to the petitioning cable company an order of entry which order shall constitute a ruling that the petitioning cable television company has complied with the requirements of section 228 of the Public Service Law and the regulations contained in this Part. If the landlord files a written answer to the petition, the cable television company shall have 10 days within which to reply to said answer. The commission may grant or deny the petition, schedule an administrative hearing on any factual issues presented thereby or direct such other procedures as may be consistent with the installation of cable television service or facilities in accordance with Section 228 of the Public Service Law.

§ 898.5 Application for just compensation

A landlord may file with the commission an application for just compensation within four months following the service by the cable television company of the notice described in section 898.3 of this Part, or within four months following the completion of the installation of the cable television facilities, whichever is later.

§ 898.6 Contents of application for just compensation

An application for just compensation shall set forth specific facts relevant to the determination of just compensation. Such facts should include, but need not be limited to, a showing of:

(a) the location and amount of space occupied by the installation;

(b) the previous use of such space;

(c) the value of the applicant's property before the installation of cable television facilities, and the value of the applicant's property subsequent to the installation of cable television facilities; and

(d) the method or methods used to determine such values. The secretary may, upon good cause shown, permit the filing of supplemental information at any time prior to final determination by the commission.

§ 898.7 Service of application

A copy of the application filed by the landlord for just compensation shall be served upon the cable television company making the installation and upon the chief executive officer of the municipality in which the real property is located.

§ 898.8 Responses

Responses to the application, if any, shall be served on all parties and on the commission within 20 days from the service of the application.

§ 898.9 Hearing and determination

(a) If the commission finds that just compensation for the installation of cable television facilities as described in the application may be in excess of one dollar, it shall conduct a hearing pursuant to section 216(3) of the Public Service Law.

(b) An applicant may, within 20 days from the release date of the commission order which sets compensation at one dollar or less, file a written request for a hearing. Upon timely receipt of such request, the commission shall conduct a hearing pursuant to section 216(3) of the Public Service Law and Chapter I, Subchapter A of this Title.

(c) If after the filing of an application, the cable television company and the applicant agree upon the amount of just compensation and the commission approves such amount, the commission shall not be required to conduct a hearing on the issue.