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§ 227.1 Definitions

Unless the specific context otherwise requires, as used in this Part:

- (a) The term meter means any meter or meter testing device used for the determination of the units of gas furnished.
- (b) The term accessory means any remote meter reading device or any associated metering device, either remote or attached, used to display, transmit or adjust the reading of a meter index.
- (c) The term acceptable devices means those types of meters or accessories, eligible to be submitted for approval, that shall be capable of conforming to requirements intended to determine their reliability and acceptable accuracy insofar as they can be demonstrated by tests; displacement meters shall meet or exceed the requirements specified in the appropriate American National Standards Institute (ANSI) B109.1-1986-Diaphragm Type Gas Displacement Meters (500 cubic feet per hour capacity and under), ANSI B109.2-1986 Diaphragm Type Gas Displacement Meters (over 500 cubic feet per hour capacity) or ANSI B109.3-1986-Rotary Type Gas Displacement Meters. Those standards are available as described in section 10.3(g) of this Title.
- (d) The term approved devices means those types of meters or accessories which have been approved by the commission for use in customer billing and in connection with measuring gas that affects a utility revenue stream required to be reported to the commission.

§ 227.2 Selection of devices for approval

One or more units of equipment covered by the application, as determined by staff, shall be made available for testing and may be retained for such purpose by the commission. Such units shall be intended for actual use and not include experimental models.

§ 227.3 Application for approval

- (a) An application for approval shall be submitted by the first utility intending to use the meter or accessory in New York State. Three copies of such application shall be filed with the secretary to the commission.
 - (b) An application for approval shall contain:
 - (1) name and address of applicant;
 - (2) name and address of manufacturer;
 - (3) manufacturer's type designation;
 - (4) complete technical description covering construction details, materials and principles of operation;
 - (5) test data observed and/or prepared by the applicant;
 - (6) test data certified by the manufacturer;
 - (7) photographs (8 X 10 inches, exploded view) and/or manufacturer's drawings;
 - (8) the general customer category or specific application for which the utility intends to use the meter or accessory;
- and

(9) the approximate cost per unit.

§ 227.4 Modification of approved devices

(a) Permission to use an approved device is effective only for those types which are of the same design and construction as the type approved. If the manufacturer of an approved device changes its materials, construction, or design in a manner that may affect its operation, accuracy or safety, the sponsoring utility or the utility intending to use the modified device shall notify the commission staff, specifying the changes.

(b) The commission will evaluate the effects of the modification and determine whether the device remains acceptable, and if so, whether the existing approval is adequate or should be amended, and will so notify the utility.