

RULE J
CONTINUITY, CURTAILMENT AND
INTERRUPTION OF ELECTRIC
SERVICE

1. Electric Service is inherently subject to occasional interruption, suspension, curtailment, and fluctuation. The Company will have no liability to its Customers or any other persons for any interruption, suspension, curtailment, or fluctuation in service or for any loss or damage caused thereby if such interruption, suspension, curtailment, or fluctuation results from any of the following:

a. Causes beyond the Company's reasonable control including, but not limited to, fire, flood, drought, winds, acts of the elements, court orders, insurrections or riots, generation failures, lack of sufficient generating capacity, breakdowns of or damage to facilities of the Company or of third parties, acts of God or public enemy, strikes or other labor disputes, civil, military or governmental authority, electrical disturbances originating on or transmitted through electrical systems with which the Company's system is interconnected, and acts or omissions of third parties;

b. Repair, maintenance, improvement, renewal or replacement work on the Company's electrical system, which work in the sole judgment of the Company is necessary or prudent; to the extent practicable work shall be done at such time as will minimize inconvenience to the Customer and, whenever practicable, the Customer shall be given reasonable notice of such work;

c. Actions taken by the Company, which in its sole judgment are necessary or prudent to protect the performance, integrity, reliability or stability of the Company's electrical system or any electrical system with which it is inter-connected, which actions may occur automatically or manually.

2. Load curtailment and interruption carried out in compliance with an order by governmental authority shall follow the Company's plan entitled "Load Curtailment and Interruption Procedure", as filed with and approved by the Commission.

3. The provisions of this rule do not affect any persons rights in tort.