

Town of Boylston
Municipal Light Department

M.D.P.U. #133
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Installation of Underground Distribution

1. Upon request from an applicant proposing to construct a qualifying residential development consisting of dwelling facilities and facilities accessory thereto, and subject to the provisions hereinafter set forth, the Boylston Municipal Light Department (“BMLD”) will provide an underground distribution system in public or private ways, or right-of-way to be installed throughout the entire development. A qualifying residential development is one proposed to be built on a land area defined in a real estate development plan, approved or suitable, in the opinion of BMLD, to be recorded, in the appropriate Registry of Deeds. Said land shall be situated where no electric distribution system exists and where no electric distribution system other than that provided pursuant to the provisions these Terms and Conditions will be required, and approved by BMLD pursuant to all the relevant provisions of these Terms and Conditions and BMLD’s applicable policies and specifications.
2. The applicant must present BMLD a plan showing the physical sequence in which the residential development is to be built and indicating the estimated elapsed time within which the total development, or a significant and separable portion thereof, will be completed. Both the physical sequence and the estimated elapsed time of completion shall be subject to the approval of BMLD.
3. For qualifying residential developments, the applicant shall supply and pay for all necessary trenching and sand (for bedding) as required by BMLD for the complete installation. In addition, applicant shall pay BMLD for all line extensions, primary or secondary, at the rate of: Primary single phase \$10.00 per lineal foot; primary 3 phase \$18.00 per linear foot; Secondary single phase \$8.00 per linear foot; Secondary 3 phase \$12.00 per linear foot; and shall further pay for all other related electrical material needed to supply electrical service and lighting within and to the development.
4. The following special requirements will result in additional cost to the applicant, as determined by BMLD in its sole discretion:
 - A. Whenever, in order to properly supply electricity to a development, it is necessary to install types of underground facilities other than so-called

“U.R.D. direct burial”, or to install additional equipment or attachments due to changes requested by the developer or local authorities, the applicant shall reimburse BMLD for any additional costs incurred as a result thereof.

- B. If power for construction is required before the final layout and grades are completed, the cost of temporary service shall be borne by the applicant at Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) per temporary service.
 - C. The applicant shall supply conduit for all underground electric wires. Conduit supplied shall be subject to BMLD’s specifications and approval. Street crossings shall be installed and properly compacted to insure that the finished street surface will not show any settlement.
5. The applicant shall furnish BMLD with an approved subdivision plan or plans, complying with the provisions of Section 1, together with all available grades and land clearings information, street improvement details, the location of water mains, sewer lines, gas lines, property lines, and easements to parties other than BMLD. At the time BMLD is requested to make the installation, the applicant must have placed or caused to be placed, stakes showing final grades and lines and must have graded to within two inches below final grade. During the installation period, the applicant shall coordinate other construction so as to permit unimpeded operation of the cable placing.
6. As provided in Section II.D. of BMLD’s General Terms and Conditions for Electric Service, the applicant shall grant and/or secure, without cost to BMLD, the necessary rights and easements in perpetuity, including rights of ingress and egress, free and clear of encumbrances of record, the form and content of which shall be acceptable to and approved by BMLD, for:
- A. Transformer installations, whether submersible or pad mounted, including the cable connections. In developments of single-family residences, such locations will, in general, be on private property approximately six feet back from the street line and centered on the boundary between abutting properties. In developments of multi-family residential structures, such locations will, in general, be on private property within ten feet of traveled ways or other paved areas accessible by the BMLD and mutually agreed to by the BMLD and the applicant.
 - B. Secondary connections points. In developments of single family residences such locations will, in general, be at the transformer installations and on the boundary line of abutting properties or approximately six feet back from the

street line and centered on the boundary between abutting properties. In developments of multi-family structures, such locations will, in general, be adjacent to the transformer locations described in “A” above, and mutually agreed to by BMLD and the applicant.

- C. Primary and secondary cables. In developments of single family residences, these cables will, in general, be located in public ways or private ways, between the paved surface and the immediately adjacent property line. In developments of multi-family residential structures, these cables will, in general, be located in public ways or private ways between the paved surface and in the immediately adjacent property lines or in right-of-ways accessible by BMLD and in such locations as agreed by BMLD and the applicant.
 - D. Any other underground or pad-mounted facilities to be owned and maintained by BMLD that are required to provide electric service, including street lighting, as laid out or planned.
7. The secondary service trenches and conduit, running from secondary connection points or transformer locations to residential buildings shall be provided by the applicant and maintained by the property owner of record in accordance with BMLD’s specifications and any codes, standards, local ordinances and/or laws applicable thereto.
 8. For underground systems where lines and equipment have been placed in a way that has been accepted by the Town of Boylston as a public way, BMLD shall be responsible for all lines and equipment necessary to provide service to the property owner, except for secondary lines from secondary hand holes to the property owner’s meter socket, which shall be the responsibility of the property owner. For underground systems where lines and equipment have been placed in a way that has not been accepted by the Town of Boylston, the property owner shall be responsible for all lines and equipment necessary to provide service to the property owner except for the meter and transformer, which shall be the responsibility of BMLD provided that such transformer’s capacity is less than or equal to 225 kVA. Underground systems installed in accordance with the provisions above shall be owned and maintained by the property owner unless and until the property has been accepted by the Town of Boylston as a public way.
 9. Whenever it is necessary, in order to supply electric service to a single customer of BMLD (“Customer”) (including a single housing unit or multiple units served under a single Customer account), to locate any underground conduit, service cable, poles, wires, risers, transformers or other equipment on private property, all such underground conduit, service cable, wires, poles, risers, transformers or other equipment, up to but not

including the meter box, shall be installed at the Customer's sole expense. The installation shall be performed by BMLD or Customer, as determined by BMLD in its sole discretion. If the work is installed by the Customer, the work shall conform to BMLD's requirements and specifications and shall be subject to BMLD's inspection and approval. Thereafter, the facilities shall become the property of BMLD. The meter box and service entrance conductor to the main disconnect switch shall be installed by the Customer, at its sole expense. The meter box must be located on the outside of the building at a height of three feet to five feet above the ground. The meter box location shall be approved by BMLD. The service meter will be installed and owned by BMLD. The Customer also shall comply with the procedures and requirements pertaining to qualifying residential developments to the extent applicable.

All equipment shall meet any and all requirements and specifications prescribed by BMLD. In the event that any underground conduit, service cable, poles, wires, risers, transformers or other equipment located on private property to serve a single Customer (including multiple units served under a single Customer account) must be repaired or replaced, all such underground conduit, service cable, poles, wires, risers, transformers or other equipment, up to but not including the meter box, shall be repaired or replaced at the Customer's sole expense and shall thereafter become the property of BMLD.

Whenever it is necessary, in order to provide service to a single Customer (or multiple units served under a single Customer account), to dig any trench, the excavation and preparation of the trench shall be the responsibility of the Customer and shall be performed in accordance with BMLD's specifications. BMLD reserves the right to inspect the trench and approve the excavation work for suitability of its installation of the conduit.

10. Street Lighting:

- A. The applicant shall be responsible for lighting as required by The Town of Boylston Municipal Lighting Board, and as approved by the Town of Boylston Board of Selectmen and BMLD assumes no responsibility or obligation therefore. Installation shall be performed in accordance with specifications of BMLD. All cost associated with the installation of Street Lighting shall be borne by the applicant. The cost of electricity for Street Lighting shall be borne by the applicant until final acceptance of the street by the Town of Boylston.

11. To the extent not inconsistent with these Terms and Conditions, BMLD's General Terms and Conditions for Electric Service shall apply.

Effective: September 8, 2014