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Customer first having made satisfactory settlement with the Company for any past-due balance for which the Customer owes the Company at that time. On termination of a guarantee agreement, a new guarantee agreement or deposit may be required by the Company, upon reasonable notice to the Customer and if the Customer has not established satisfactory credit.

To establish or re-establish satisfactory credit, the Company may, in lieu of accepting a cash deposit or a guarantee agreement, place a Customer on an early payment list as defined by South Dakota Administrative Rules 20:10:19:05. Customers placed on an early payment list are required to pay their bill at least five (5) business days prior to the due date on the bill. A Customer on the early payments list will be subject to disconnection if the bill is not paid at least five (5) business days prior to the due date on the bill.

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The Company may permit a nonresidential Customer to establish or re-establish satisfactory credit by providing a letter of credit or posting a surety bond for an amount not to exceed the total of the Customer's indebtedness for utility service, or by negotiating some other option reasonably satisfactory to the Company.

A Residential Customer with unknown credit has the right to choose the manner of establishing satisfactory credit from among the options available to Residential Customers under this Section.

A nonresidential Customer with unknown credit has the right to choose the manner of establishing satisfactory credit from among the options available to nonresidential Customers under this Section.