



STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

Title: Town of Elm City Billing Policy/Procedure/Calendar

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Purpose: The purpose of the policy is to establish the billing calendar and procedures for the Town of Elm City

Scope: In an effort to improve the efficiency, timeliness, and the accuracy of billing, the following guidelines are established and are intended to establish a level of performance that is measurable.

Procedure:

1. *On the 13th of each month:* Give meter reading log sheet to Public Works Department
2. *By the 17th of each month:* Give re-read list to Public Works Department
3. *By the 19th of each month:* Enter water readings into billing software
4. *By the 20th of each month:* Create/calculate utility bills in the software
5. *By the 25th of each month:* Print and mail utility bills
6. *On the 14th of each month:* Complete bank drafts for utility billing customers set up on autopay
7. *On the 15th of each month:* Access and add late fees to any unpaid customer accounts over the amount of \$10
8. *On the 23rd of each month:* Give disconnect list to Public Works Department
9. *On the 23rd of each month:* Add disconnect fees to customer accounts
 - a. Any customer included on the disconnect list is considered disconnected in the software system, even if they haven't been physically disconnected and must pay disconnect fee.

*Any customer that pays their utility bill after they have been included on the disconnect list MUST pay the connection fee before services are reinstated.

*If any of the above dates falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the next business day will be used to perform procedure.

I, _____ certify that I have read and understand this policy.

Employee Signature: _____

Date: _____