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# CUSTOMER OUTAGE CALL PROCESSING SERVICE AGREEMENT

between

**NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT** 

and

CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

EFFECTIVE: APRIL 15, 2016

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This Agreement is made and entered into effective April 15, 2016, by and between Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD), a public corporation and political subdivision of the State of Nebraska, and City of Grand Island, Nebraska (Customer), a municipality in the State of Nebraska, each sometimes hereinafter referred to singularly as "Party" and collectively as the "Parties".

WHEREAS, NPPD operates a centralized customer contact center which is staffed around-the-clock, and;

WHEREAS, Customer desires that NPPD provide customer outage call processing; and;

WHEREAS, NPPD is willing and able to provide said outage call processing subject to certain conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and agreements herein contained, the Parties do hereby mutually agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 Service(s): Any performance required of NPPD pursuant to this Agreement.
- 1.2 Hours: All hours of the day, Monday through Sunday, 24 hours per day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.
- 1.3 Consumer: Current or potential end-use customer of Customer.
- 1.4 Center: NPPD Centralized Customer Care Center located at Norfolk, Nebraska.
- 1.5 Consumer Data: Information such as the name, account number, 911 emergency address, and other pertinent information regarding Consumers as listed on Exhibit B necessary for NPPD to provide Services under this Agreement.
- 1.6 SOS: NPPD's customer database software utilized to store and manage Consumer Data, Consumer call tracking, etc.

1.7 Emergency Call: A Consumer call relating to the loss of electric service normally provided by Customer.

# ARTICLE II INITIAL SETUP

2.1 NPPD and Customer agree that the completion of the following steps of the outage call processing service must occur prior to implementation of this Agreement. An implementation date for the Services outlined in this Agreement will be agreed upon between all Parties involved.

#### 2.1.1 Outage Call Processing

- 2.1.1.1 Customer will reimburse NPPD monthly for the costs of a toll-free number provided to them by NPPD and associated use. NPPD will coordinate installation and administration of this toll-free number under its Advanced Features account with AT&T.
- 2.1.1.2 Customer will assist in the design of its specific greeting, menu greeting, and expected service standards.
- 2.1.1.3 Each month Customer will provide its Consumer database to NPPD in electronic format adaptable to SOS. Customer is solely responsible for supplying adequate and up-to-date information to NPPD. This is the information that will be used during outages. NPPD will not be responsible for inadequate information.
- 2.2 Upon execution of this Agreement, Customer agrees to remit to NPPD an initial set-up fee as set forth on the current Standard Rate Fee Schedule.

# ARTICLE III SCOPE OF SERVICE

- 3.1 NPPD will provide Services described below:
  - 3.1.1 Outage Call Processing Service
    - 3.1.1.1 NPPD will provide SOS outage tracking of Customer information and requests. Customer's electronic interfaces with SOS would be required at an additional charge at Customer's expense, if applicable. An example of the NPPD e-Services Subscription

Agreement for SOS Application Process/NPPD Computer System Agreement for Access Authorization shall be provided to Customer.

- 3.1.1.2 NPPD will provide Interactive Voice Response technology on front-end call answering menu using standard schematics with customer branded content. NPPD will route all Emergency Calls to the on-call personnel immediately.
- 3.2 NPPD and the Customer may agree, by amendment to this Agreement, to expand the scope of Service beyond Outage Call Answering to cover select services such as dispatching, as mutually agreed upon by both Parties.

# ARTICLE IV PERSONNEL AND SUPPORT

- 4.1 Customer shall furnish NPPD the telephone numbers for emergency situations and shall update the listing as required by changing conditions and personnel assignments.
- 4.2 Customer agrees to furnish NPPD a list of its designated representative(s) who are authorized to adjust the outage call processing procedures in the event of emergency situations, such as call overload as a result of storm situations, communication line failure or other unforeseen situations.
- 4.3 Customer will, at its expense, maintain adequate telephone services at its location(s) to accommodate answering Consumer calls on its premises. Customer agrees to reimburse NPPD for all costs associated with maintaining toll-free telephone service at its location(s) including, but not limited to, long distance usage fees and monthly fixed fees.
- 4.4 Customer will, at its expense, cover costs associated with programming changes and/or training requirements due to technology updates requested by the customer. Standard NPPD labor rates apply.

#### ARTICLE V AUTHORIZATION

5.1 NPPD will maintain the Consumer Data in strict confidentiality, and will utilize it for the sole purpose of providing Services hereunder.

#### ARTICLE VI INDEMNIFICATION

6.1 Customer agrees to indemnify and save harmless NPPD, its representatives, officers, and employees, from any and all claims, demands, suits, actions and judgments arising from any act or omissions of Customer, its agents, servants or employees associated with Services provided hereunder.

#### ARTICLE VII LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

7.1 NPPD shall not be liable to Customer for any special, incidental or consequential damages to or incurred by Customer arising from or in any way connected with the performance of Services, whether based upon contract, tort (including negligence and strict liability) or otherwise, including but not limited by way of example or otherwise to loss of profits or revenues, cost of capital, cost of purchased or replacement power or energy, loss of use of equipment or electric system or facilities, or claims of Consumers for such damages.

# ARTICLE VIII UNCONTROLLABLE FORCES

- 8.1 NPPD shall not be liable for loss or damage from any failure to perform any of its contractual obligations specified hereunder as a result of Uncontrollable Forces. Uncontrollable Forces shall include, by way of example and not as a limitation, those circumstances which are beyond the control of NPPD, such as acts of God, the public enemy, the U.S. Government, or any department or agency thereof, the State of Nebraska or any of the several states, other contractors of Customer, as well as fire, flood, epidemics, quarantines, riots, strikes, civil insurrections, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather.
- 8.2 In the event of an Uncontrollable Force, NPPD shall be excused from performance during the existence of the Uncontrollable Force and shall have a reasonable period of time after termination of the Uncontrollable Force to resume performance.
- 8.3 When an Uncontrollable Force occurs, NPPD shall immediately notify Customer of the existence of the Uncontrollable Force. Upon termination of the Uncontrollable Force, but no later than fourteen (14) days following such termination, NPPD shall notify Customer of the termination of the Uncontrollable Force and shall, where applicable, submit a revised performance schedule to Customer.

# ARTICLE IX BILLING FOR SERVICES

- 9.1 NPPD will bill Customer for Services rendered under this Agreement on a monthly basis in accordance with Exhibit A.
- 9.2 The monthly base Consumer count will be calculated on the basis of: one-third (1/3) of all Water Use Accounts, and one hundred percent (100%) of all other account classes active on Customer billing system at the implementation of this Agreement.
- 9.3 The base Customer count and associated billing fees in Exhibit A shall be adjusted annually. The Customer shall have the right to review the Service Rate Fee Schedule prior to any billing adjustment and may exercise the option to terminate pursuant to Article XI of this Agreement.

### ARTICLE XI

11.1 The term of this Agreement shall be five (5) years from its effective date and thereafter from month to month unless terminated by at least ninety (90) days prior written notice given by either Party to the other. Notice to terminate this Agreement prior to the expiration of the initial five (5) year term will result in an early termination exit fee equivalent to fifty percent (50%) of the monthly base fee through the end of the original contract period.

# ARTICLE XII SEVERABILITY

12.1 In providing Services pursuant to this Agreement, NPPD intends to perform in accordance with all laws governing NPPD's activities, procedures, standards or specifications. If any provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions will nevertheless continue in full force without being impaired or invalidated in any way by such court holding.

# ARTICLE XIII REPLACEMENT OF PRIOR AGREEMENTS

13.1 This Agreement constitutes the entire contract between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior oral and written expressions of intent, together with any exhibits attached thereto and any amendments or supplements thereto, and there are no other agreements or understandings between the Parties with respect thereof.

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Title: General Manager of Retail	Title: Mayor
Date: 4-20-2016	Date: 4/26/2016
	Asst. City Attorney

#### **EXHIBIT A**

#### **BILLING DETAIL**

For Services provided to City of Grand Island, Nebraska (Customer) by NPPD under this Agreement, NPPD will issue an invoice on a monthly basis.

#### 1. PAYMENT DUE DATE

1.1 Except as otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties, the monthly billings for Services provided to Customer by NPPD shall be due within twenty (20) days after such billings are rendered by NPPD. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday observed by either Party, the following business day shall then become the due date. If Customer fails to make full payment on or before said due date, Customer shall pay interest on any unpaid amount from the date due to the date upon which payment is received by NPPD. Such interest shall accrue at the rate of three percent (3%) per month.

#### 2. ACCOUNTING DATA

2.1 If requested by Customer, NPPD shall submit accounting data for any billing for Services furnished hereunder. Such data shall include sufficient detail to enable Customer to audit the charges identified in said billing.

#### DISPUTE RESOLUTION

3.1 If Customer desires to dispute all or any portion of a billing for Services provided by NPPD, Customer shall nevertheless pay the full amount of said billing when due. Within sixty (60) days of the due date of such billing, Customer shall notify NPPD in writing of the grounds and amount of the billing dispute. Customer shall not be entitled to any adjustment on account of any disputed billing not brought to NPPD's attention within the time and in the manner herein specified. If settlement of the dispute results in a refund to Customer, the amount refunded shall not exceed the amount identified as being in dispute.

#### 4. BILLING DETAIL

4.1 Billing for Services provided to Customer by NPPD shall be in accordance with NPPD's current applicable Service Rate Fee Schedule.

# **EXHIBIT B**

# SOS INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

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#### NPPD Outage Call Handling Pricing Schedule

#### Set up Charges (One-time charges)

Initial Set Up = \$3,000 IVR Set Up = \$4,700

#### **Monthly Charges**

#### Base Fee (24x7x365 support)

This is calculated by taking total meter count X \$0.14

#### SOS License Fee\*

- \*SOS is the system we utilize to enter outage tickets
- \*The fee is \$50 per user, up to 2 users discounts for additional users

#### SOS Active\*

- \*Power Partner use of SOS as outage management solution
- \* The fee is \$.01/meter for year 1 and 2; \$.02/meter for year 3+

#### **Phone Charges**

Network Circuit = \$22/month

Toll Free Number (\$85 - \$105)/month

Utility must provide a toll-free number to the AT&T cloud (NPPD will help coordinate this)

All phone bills per month passed through to Power Partner at cost

#### **Call Charges**

\$0.84 per minute on inbound/outbound calls handled by a Specialist

\$0.50 per call for IVR handled calls

April, 2016