

Subject: ELECTRIC METER BASES

Ownership of Meter Base

The customer retains ownership of the meter base that meets HPUC specifications.

Meter Base Specifications

Meter bases must meet HPUC specifications as listed below.

New Installations

Customers must purchase a new meter base that meets HPUC specifications. Meters will not be installed in new meter base installations that do not meet HPUC specifications.

1) **Residential:**

Rated for 200 Amps

Manufactured by Millbank, Durham, or HPUC approved equal

U.L. Approved

Ringless Style

Fully rated bypass lever with locking jaws required

2) **Commercial:**

Rated for 20 Amps

Manufacturer – Landis & Gyr
or Millbank or HPUC approved equal.

U.L. Approved

Ringless Style

Fully rated bypass lever required

Rated for 200 Amps

Manufacturer – Millbank or HPUC
approved equal.

U.L. Approved

Ringless Style

Bypass lever Required

Note: An underground meter base has knockouts on the bottom with no openings or covers on the top. An overhead meter base has a hub opening on the top of the base. The appropriate sized hub must also be provided with the meter base. The hub connects the conduit mast to the meter base.

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Meter Base Installation

- 1) To arrange for installation, the customer is to make an appointment with the HPUC Service department to meet with the Line Crew Foreman. The Foreman will approve the planned meter base location.

Existing Meter Base Installations

- 1) Customers who have their meter service disconnected for any reason, and their existing meter base does not comply with current HPUC specifications, may have a meter installed if:
 - a) The existing meter base and meter base components are not damaged, corroded, cracked, loose, or broken; and
 - b) Meter base components can be repaired with OEM materials (Note, a rusty, crushed, or bent meter base enclosure cannot be repaired).
 - c) HPU determines the meter base is safe and not defective in any way.
- 2) Customers with non-standard meter bases who wish to temporarily disconnect their electrical service in order to perform maintenance to the exterior of the building are not required to update their meter base to meet the current HPU installation specification.
- 3) Customers who wish to move the meter base to a new location on their premises must also upgrade their meter base to the HPUC specification.