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## Post-Construction Inspection

National Grid reserves the right to conduct post-construction inspections within 30 days following notice from Licensee of completed and licensed attachments and to charge Licensee for such inspections. The sample size shall be determined by National Grid and the inspections may be performed by National Grid and/or an assigned 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Field Survey Vendor. The Licensee will be notified in advance and is required to pay National Grid for the cost of post-construction inspections as part of make ready charges. Subject to mutual agreement between National Grid and Licensee, Licensee may be permitted to perform post-construction inspections, in accordance with all applicable National Grid standards and requirements, within 30 days following completion of construction and thereby avoid the inspection fee that would be imposed if National Grid or its vendor performed the inspection.

Post-construction inspection may be performed on any application. Events that may trigger a post construction inspection include, but are not limited to:

- modifications of pole routes or cancellation of pole(s) to avoid make ready;
- the presence of unauthorized or sub-standard pole attachments;
- application for Transmission or Sub-Transmission pole(s);
- designs that require pole replacement(s); or
- when wireless or non-standard attachments are utilized.

A notification that the poles/applications have been flagged for post-construction inspection will be provided prior to the start of the post construction inspection.

Once the application is licensed, Licensee shall complete construction and install attachments within 90 days after the license date. Licensee shall provide written notice ("Notice") to National Grid upon completion of construction and attachment. Post-construction inspections shall be completed within 30 days of such Notice, and shall verify:

- 1. Licensee is attached at height(s) assigned on Final Exhibit 5;
- 2. Other licensed attachers are at assigned heights on Final Exhibit 5:
- 3. Licensee properly guys attachments;
- 4. Licensee properly matches sag of existing licensed attachments; and
- 5. Licensee attachments comply with the requirements of applicable codes & standards, including but not limited to NESC and National Grid Standards.

Should Licensee be in violation of any of the above, Licensee will have 45 days to resolve the issue(s) from notice of the noncompliance. National Grid reserves the right to perform additional post-construction inspections and/or special inspections at Licensee's expense based on identification of substandard or unauthorized installations. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of any of National Grid rights under existing agreements, regulations, laws or orders of the New York State Public Service Commission the Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Cable, the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers, and the Federal Communications Commission, all of which are hereby expressly reserved.

If you have any questions/concerns with this policy, please give the appropriate contact listed below a call:

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