

SPECIAL RULES GOVERNING THE APPLICATION OF RATES - TRAFFIC SIGNAL SERVICE

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I. Determination of Billing Watts

- (A) The general practice will be to estimate the billing watts as being the maximum coincident sum of manufacturer's wattage rating of lamps and control equipment. However, at the option of the Customer or the Company, the billing watts may be determined by test.
- (B) The determination of billing watts shall be governed by the following:
1. Signal used full time as blinker shall be taken at 50% of manufacturer's rating of all lamps and controls.
 2. The actual wattage of control equipment will be used in determining billing watts. If the actual wattage is not known, each control shall be taken at 15 watts.
 3. Billing watts shall be increased 5 watts for each face of amber or advance green burning at the same time and overlapping other lights in the signal.
 4. A signal operated part time as a flashing signal (4 hours or more) and part time as regular signal, shall be taken at 90% of the lamp billing watts when operating as a regular signal.
 5. Billing watts determined by test or estimated, for regular traffic signals (signals not used as flashing signals) and operated 20 hours or less per day, shall be adjusted as follows:
 - (a) 90% of lamp billing watts if the signal is operated over 16 hours but not over 20 hours per day.
 - (b) 80% of lamp billing watts if the signal is operated 16 hours or less per day.

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- (C) Billing watts determined by test shall be the product of volts multiplied by the maximum ampere reading during a full cycle operation of the signal. Adjustments to billing watts allowed in (I.B.3.) and (I.B.4.) shall also apply to billing watts determined by test.
- II. When billing watts are adjusted as provided in (I.B.3.) or (I.B.4.), the customer shall own, install and maintain a timing device that is acceptable to the Company for control of the hours of operation.