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## **12.00 RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CUSTOMER AND CENTERPOINT ENERGY**

### **12.01 Customer Responsibility**

It shall be the customer's financial responsibility to furnish, install, operate, and keep in a safe condition all gas piping and gas burning equipment located or installed beyond the gas meter.

A customer shall immediately notify CenterPoint Energy of any suspected gas leaks or a faulty gas supply.

The customer shall reimburse CenterPoint Energy for any loss of or damage to CenterPoint Energy's property located on the premises when such loss or damage is not caused by any act or omission on the part of CenterPoint Energy

### **12.02 Termination of CenterPoint Energy's Responsibility**

CenterPoint Energy's responsibility for installation and maintenance of all gas piping and equipment shall terminate at the gas meter. CenterPoint Energy shall not be liable for any loss, injury, or damage occasioned or caused by the negligence or wrongful act of the customer or any of his agents, employees, or licensees in installing, maintaining, using, operating, or interfering with any gas piping or gas burning equipment.

Any inspection of the customer's piping or equipment by CenterPoint Energy shall not be construed to impose any liability upon CenterPoint Energy to the customer, or to any other person by reason thereof, and CenterPoint Energy shall not be liable or responsible for any loss, injury, or damage which may result from the use of, or defects in, the customer's gas piping or gas burning equipment.