

CHAPTER 510

GRANTING A FRANCHISE FOR NATURAL GAS SERVICE

[History: Ord 510?]

510.01 The City of Richland Center does hereby grant to Natural Gas Distributors, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Wisconsin, its successors and assigns, upon the conditions hereinafter set forth, the exclusive right, authority and permission to construct, maintain, operate, enlarge and repair in the City of Richland Center, a system for the furnishing and distribution of natural gas and natural gaseous fuels, and to use the streets, alleys, lanes, boulevards, parks, public ways, public grounds and bridges in said City of Richland Center, for constructing, maintaining, operating, enlarging and repairing its transmission and distribution pipe lines with all the necessary, usual or convenient manholes, valves, passage ways and appurtenances for the purpose of supplying and selling natural gases and natural gaseous fuels to said City of Richland Center and its residents and to any building, structure, factory, processing plant, industry or public or private house or any gas user therein.

Provided, however, that this franchise is granted subject to such reasonable rules and regulations as the Common Council of said City of Richland Center may be ordinances from time to time prescribe, and it is further subject to all general provisions of statutory laws in force and applicable thereto and to the general orders, rules and regulations of the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin and to such reasonable rules and regulations restricting the use of said streets, highways, public ways, alleys and bridges and to construction, maintenance and operation of such natural gas transmitting system as the public bodies for the State of Wisconsin having authority under the law may from time to time enact.

510.02 This franchise to be void if Natural Gas Distributors, Inc., its successors or assigns, is unable to secure, within three years a sufficient allocation of natural gas. This franchise shall also be void if facilities are not constructed and gas is not ready for distribution in the City within five years from the adoption of this Chapter. And in the event that a sufficient quantity of natural gas is obtained as provided above, a reasonable length of time thereafter shall be allowed to secure from the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin a certificate authorizing the company to transact such public utility business and to construct and operate the above described gas distribution system PROVIDED FURTHER that unless such a certificate from the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin is issued within five years of the date hereof, this franchise shall be void.