

TITLE VI – REGULATION OF BUSINESS AND VOCATIONS
FRANCHISES

CHAPTER 151
ELECTRIC FRANCHISE

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151.01 FRANCHISE GRANTED. There is hereby granted to IES Utilities, Inc., hereinafter referred to as the “Company”, its successors and assigns, the right and franchise to acquire, construct, erect, maintain and operate in the City of Garwin, Tama County, Iowa, works and plants for the manufacture and generation of electricity and a distribution system for electric light, heat and power and the right to erect and maintain the necessary poles, lines, wires, conduits and other appliances for the transmission of electric current along, under and upon the streets, avenues, alleys and public places in the said City of Garwin, Tama County, Iowa; also the right to erect and maintain upon the streets, avenues, alleys and public places, transmission lines through the said City of Garwin, Tama County, Iowa, to supply individuals, corporations, communities, and municipalities both inside and outside of said City with electric light, heat and power for the period of twenty-five (25) years; also the right of eminent domain as provided in Section 364.2 of the Code of Iowa.

151.02 CONSTRUCTION; MAINTENANCE; INDEMNIFICATION. The poles, wires and appliances shall be placed and maintained so as not to unnecessarily interfere with the travel on said streets, alleys, and public places in said City nor unnecessarily interfere with the proper use of the same, including ordinary drainage, or with the sewers, underground pipe and other property of the City, and the said Company, its successors and assigns shall hold the City free and harmless from all damages arising from the negligent acts of omissions of the Company in the erection or maintenance of said system.

151.03 METERS AND SERVICE LINES. The Company, its successors and assigns, shall furnish and install all meters at its own expense, and shall provide the service wire to buildings as set forth in the Company’s tariff filed with the Iowa Utilities Board.

151.04 SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS. The system authorized by this chapter shall be modern and up-to-date and shall be of sufficient capacity to supply all reasonable demands of said City and its inhabitants thereof and shall be kept in a modern and up-to-date condition.

151.05 NONEXCLUSIVE. The franchise granted by this chapter shall not be exclusive.

151.06 CONTINUOUS SERVICE. Service to be rendered by the Company under this franchise shall be continuous unless prevented from doing so fire, Acts of God, unavoidable accidents or casualties, or reasonable interruptions necessary to properly service the company’s equipment, and in such event service shall be resumed as quickly as is reasonably possible.

151.07 TERM OF FRANCHISE. The term of the franchise granted by this chapter and the rights granted thereunder shall continue for the period of twenty-five (25) years from and after its acceptance by the said Company, as herein provided.

EDITOR'S NOTES

Ordinance No. 141 adopting an electric franchise for the City was passed and adopted on June 6, 1994. Voters approved the franchise at an election held on October 4, 1994.