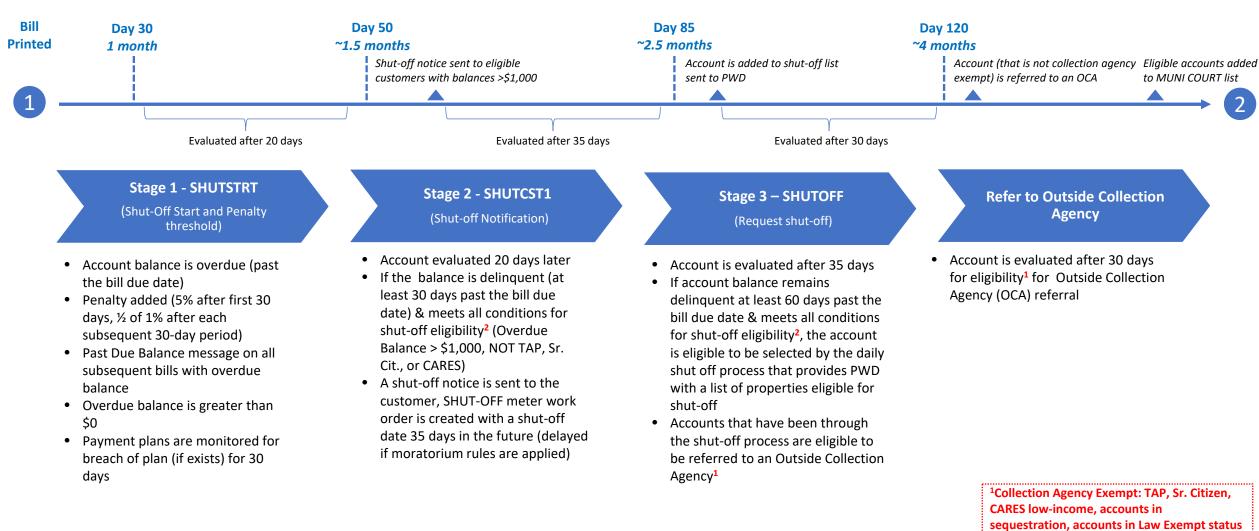
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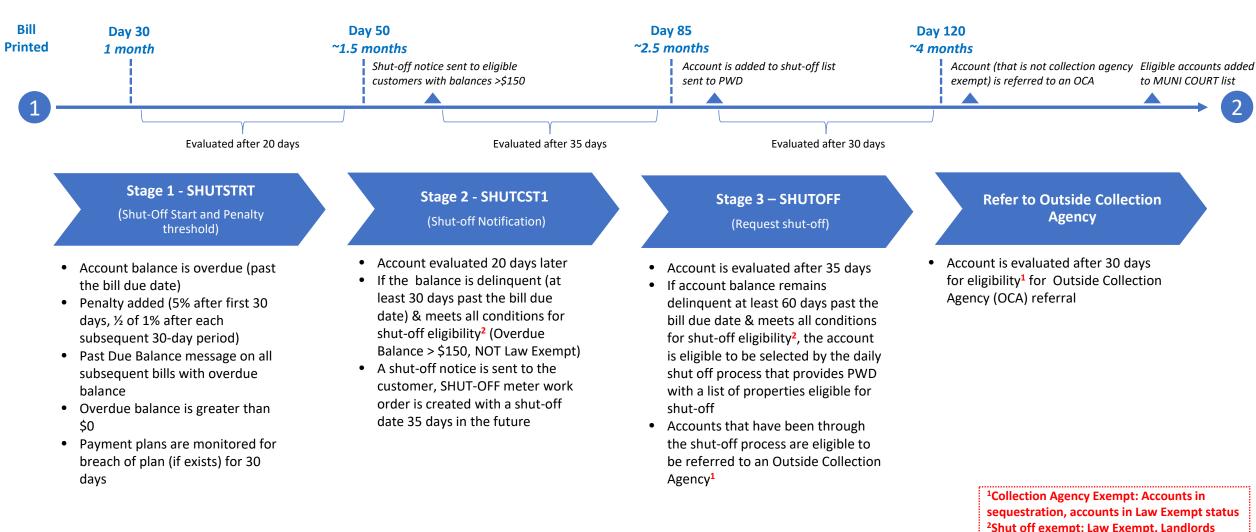
Residential Account – Assume No Payment is Received, and Overdue Balance is greater than \$1,000



CARES low-income, accounts in sequestration, accounts in Law Exempt status 
<sup>2</sup>Shut off exempt: TAP, Senior Citizen, CARES low-income, Law Exempt, Landlords with tenant/occupant in property, certain NB status accounts

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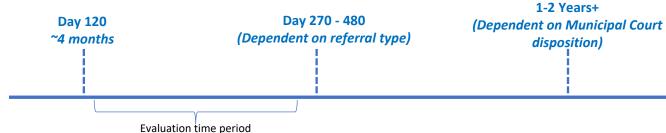
Commercial Account – Assume No Payment is Received, and Overdue Balance is greater than \$150



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#### Arrears/Shut Off/Debt Collection Process, Part 2

Residential or Commercial Account – Assume No Payment is Received



Refer to Outside Collection Agency (OCA)

dependent on type of account

Referral Type	Duration
Residential and Commercial 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> referrals	5 months
Stormwater 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> referrals	9 months
Meter repairs (one referral)	5 months
HELP Loans (one referral)	5 months
Landlord (one referral)	12 months
>\$12,000 (one referral)	12 months

- Account is referred to OCA for 1<sup>st</sup> referral
- Account is evaluated for 2<sup>nd</sup> referral 30 days after exiting the 1<sup>st</sup> referral
- If no 2<sup>nd</sup> referral, account exists OCA process

## **Referral to Municipal Court**

- Account evaluated for Municipal Court eligibility 30 days after exiting the OCA process
- Law department determines which cases with balances less than \$12,000 are referred to Municipal Court
- Ineligible cases return to the beginning of the Arrears process
- Commercial accounts with judgments have 90 days to resolve delinquency before being evaluated for Sheriff Sale process

# Referral to Outside Counsel (Sheriff Sale process)

- Account evaluated for Sheriff Sale eligibility<sup>1</sup> 30 days after exiting the Municipal Court process
- First WARNING OF RISK OF WATER FORECLOSURE ACTION certified letter sent
- Account evaluated for second WARNING OF RISK OF WATER FORECLOSURE ACTION letter eligibility 40 days after first letter
- Account evaluated for referral to Outside Counsel 30 days after second letter
- Accounts referred to Outside Counsel for 1 year

<sup>1</sup> Sheriff Sale Exempt: all residential accounts, accounts in sequestration, accounts in Law Exempt status, account balance < \$2,000, combined water and tax balance < \$3,500

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