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All charges assessed under this tariff are due as they accrue, and invoices issued by the Port are due and payable upon presentation. Any invoice remaining unpaid the last day of the month following the month billed is delinquent, and the Port users billed will be placed on a delinquent list. A delinquent invoice is subject to a penalty charge of one and one half percent (1-1/2%) for each month that said invoice remains delinquent at end of the month. This penalty charge shall be applied for a maximum period of six months subsequent to which the Seaport shall either negotiate an agreement with the Port user for collection of the delinquent charges, if not previously paid, or pursue standard collection procedures. Payment for returned checks dishonored by the bank (NSF) shall be made pursuant to Florida Statute (F.S. 832.07). In the event where a Port user has presented more than one (1) NSF check to the Port for payment, the Director, at his discretion, may require the Port User to pay the Port via a cashier's check, payable from a local bank, or an alternative method of payment approved by the Director or his designee. The Port assigns the responsibility for the collection and payment of all charges assessed on a vessel to the Ship's Agent company authorized by the Seaport Director to file the Request for Ship's Berth Assignment for the vessel. The Port must be paid according to the terms stipulated in this tariff item regardless of when the Ship's Agent, vessel, its owners or agents are reimbursed. The Port reserves the right to refuse the use of Port facilities and services to any Port user on the delinquent list and to demand payment of charges in advance before further services will be performed or facilities used. Sales Tax Rates and charges contained in this tariff are exclusive of any sales tax. Applicable sales taxes shall be paid to the Port at the time and by the entity responsible for payment of the tariff charges for which the tax is imposed.	PAYMENT OF BILLS (C) (I)	218