

INDIAN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

PART I Introduction

101 PURPOSE OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

These Terms and Conditions of Service are designed to govern the supplying and taking of electric service in a manner which will provide each member with reliable and adequate power consistent with sound practices and safety procedures for the protection of the member and the Cooperative. These Terms & Conditions supersede and replace all previous rules and regulations for the supplying and taking of the Cooperative's electric service, including but not limited to, those rules and regulations incorporated into the Application for Membership or Contract for electric service.

102 APPLICATION OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

These Terms and Conditions of Service, and any modifications thereof and additions thereto lawfully made, are applicable to all standard service agreements and contracts now existing or which may be entered into by the Cooperative and to all rate schedules which from time to time may be lawfully determined and adopted.

103 MODIFICATION OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

No agent, representative, or employee of the Cooperative has the authority to modify the Terms and Conditions as stated herein, but the Cooperative has the right to amend these Terms and Conditions or make additional Terms and Conditions as necessary, subject to approval by the Board of Trustees.

104 **DEFINITIONS**

Wherever the following words or phrases are used in these Terms and Conditions of Service or the Cooperative's Standard Rate Schedules, the following definitions will apply:

<u>Applicant</u> – will mean any person, firm, corporation, or public body requesting electric service from the Cooperative.

<u>Cooperative</u> – will mean Indian Electric Cooperative, Inc.

<u>Electric Plant</u> – will mean any and all facilities, equipment and property owned or operated by the Cooperative for the delivery of electric service.



<u>Electric Service</u> – will mean the maintenance by the Cooperative of an established voltage and frequency at the point of delivery to the member, whether or not any electric energy is actually used by the member.

Extension – will mean any branch from or continuation of the Cooperative's existing distribution facilities to the point of delivery to the member, and will include any increases in capacity or revision of any existing facilities necessary to meet the member's requirements, and will include all equipment or materials necessary to provide electric service.

<u>Member</u> – will mean any person, firm, or public body who has complied with the requirements for membership as provided in the Cooperative's bylaws, and these Terms and Conditions of Service and is receiving electric service of any nature from the Cooperative. Where or when it becomes necessary for any reason to designate the particular party who is the member, the person who contracts for electric service, or in whose name it is received, will be considered the member.

<u>Members' Installation</u> – will mean all wires and apparatus, except metering equipment installed and owned by the Cooperative, located on the member's side of the point of delivery, whether such installation is owned or used by the member.

<u>Service Agreement</u> – will mean the member's written Application for Membership or Contract for electric service which when accepted and approved by the Cooperative will become a valid contract, or any other written agreement or contract between the member and the Cooperative pursuant to which service is supplied and taken in the manner established for the applicable rate schedule and class of service.

<u>Special Contract</u> – will mean a written agreement or contract between the member and the Cooperative establishing a rate and/or condition of service that differs from those established for standard rate schedules and/or classes of service.

105 <u>SOURCES OF AUTHORITY</u>

Rural Utilities Service

All rules and regulations governing and regulating the operations of rural electric Cooperatives adopted by the Rural Utilities Service (hereafter referred to as RUS) of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Federal and State Statutes



All federal and state statues applying to the operations of rural electric Cooperatives, and electric service utilities as applied to rural electric Cooperatives.

Government Regulatory Agencies

All rules and regulations of other government regulatory agencies which govern the operations of rural electric Cooperatives, and electric utilities as well as other industries when applicable to rural electric Cooperatives, including but not limited to the Internal Revenue Service, Department of Energy, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

Indian Electric Cooperative, Inc.

- 1. The bylaws of Indian Electric Cooperative as approved and amended from time to time by the membership of the Cooperative.
- 2. The General Policies as adopted and amended from time to time by the Cooperative's Board of Trustees.

PART II <u>Membership</u>

201 <u>REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP</u>

Any person, firm, corporation, or public body will become a member of the Cooperative upon receipt of electric service from the Cooperative, after having first:

- 1. Made written application for membership;
- 2. Agreed, as soon as electric service will be available, to purchase from the Cooperative electric energy as hereinafter specified;
- 3. Agreed to comply with and be bound by the Articles of Incorporation and the bylaws of the Cooperative and any amendments thereto, and such rules and regulations and Terms and Conditions of Service as may from time to time be adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Cooperative;
- 4. Paid the membership fee as specified in Schedule 1 of the Cooperative and amendments thereto.

No person, firm, corporation, or public body will hold more than one (1) membership in the Cooperative, and that no membership will be transferable.

202 OTHER CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP



Applicant will grant and furnish, or obtain for the Cooperative, its successors and assigns, a valid right-of-way easement, without cost to the Cooperative, and all other permits necessary to give the Cooperative or its agents current and future access to property specified in the service agreement for the purpose of construction, maintenance, operation or relocation of Cooperative's electric system, and/or lines of telephone and telegraph, or other signal or communication circuits whether owned by the Cooperative or otherwise in order to provide a reliable electric system for the benefit of the Applicant and/or other Cooperative members. Applicant agrees that the Cooperative, in the course of constructing, maintaining, operating, and relocating its system, shall have the right to clear the easement of all brush, shrubs, and trees situated therein utilizing industry standard practices. Applicant will grant to the Cooperative's personnel and contractors access to Applicant's property for such purpose and for purposes of constructing, operating, maintaining, and relocating Cooperative's facilities, lines, poles and equipment and reading and inspecting meters on a monthly basis.

Applicants requesting service which requires construction on property not covered by utility easements granted to the Cooperative will, when required by the Cooperative to do so, obtain the necessary right-of-way easements and/or pay costs involved in the procurement of the right-of-way easements necessary to provide that service. Applicants may also be required by the Cooperative to secure all necessary easements from adjacent property owners upon whose land it may be necessary to locate lines or facilities in order to provide the requested service.

The Cooperative will not be required to furnish electric service to applicant until the Cooperative has received all necessary applications, membership fee and any security deposit(s) hereinafter prescribed, right-of-way easements or other permits, and any contributions-in-aid of construction necessary to construct facilities to provide service and has had reasonable time to schedule and complete any necessary construction.

203 WITHDRAWAL OR TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

In case of withdrawal or termination of membership in accordance with the bylaws of the Cooperative, the Cooperative will repay to the member the amount of the membership fee paid provided, however, that the Cooperative first will deduct from the amount of the membership fee the amounts of any debts or obligations owed to the Cooperative by the member.

204 <u>STATEMENT OF NONDISCRIMINATION</u>

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident.



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To file a program discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, found online at How to File a Program Discrimination Complaint and at any USDA office or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by: (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

PART III General Information

301 <u>APPLICATIONS FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE</u>

Every member, before obtaining electric service, will make written application unless waived by the Cooperative, to the Cooperative for service at the rates applicable for the type of service to be furnished. The service agreement, when signed by the member and accepted and approved by the Cooperative will constitute a valid contract.

A single application for electric service may be made to apply to different premises or locations, owned or under the sole control of the same member, or to cover more than one (1) point of delivery at the same premises or location to be used by the same member.

Every application for electric service will be made in the true name of the member desiring the service, and proof of identity may be required by the Cooperative. In case of violation of this provision, the Cooperative may discontinue service at such location after notice as provided in these Terms & Conditions of Service.

The contract for service is not transferable by the member. A member no longer desiring service at the premises or location covered by the contract must notify the Cooperative of intent to discontinue such service in order to avoid liability for payment for subsequent use of electric service at such premises or location. When there is a new occupant of the premises or location, or a change in responsibility for payment of bills, a new application for electric service must be made before such service can be started or continued.

The applicant will be required to furnish, on applicant's property, all rights-ofway and permits required to enable the Cooperative to provide such service, except those for public space.



302 FAILURE TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE

Any person who uses electric energy of the Cooperative without first having made application for service will be liable to the Cooperative for payment under the applicable rate schedule. Failure by the person to make payment and to make application for service when notified will result in discontinuance of electric service.

303 DENIAL OF SERVICE

The Cooperative reserves the right to refuse to provide electric service to an applicant or a member at any location from whom there remains owing an unpaid account for electric service previously supplied to the applicant or member.

The Cooperative also may refuse service to an applicant or member who uses an alias, trade name, business name, or the name of a relative or other person to escape payment of an unpaid account.

304 CRITERIA FOR REQUIREMENT OF SECURITY DEPOSITS

A security deposit for up to two (2) months of the estimated annual bill on an account can be required to cover payment of bills on additional or new non-commercial accounts. Requirement of a security deposit may be determined by an outside credit scoring service as selected by the Cooperative.

All commercial accounts will be required to maintain a security deposit.

The Cooperative reserves the right to adjust the amount of any security deposit due to actual usage.

A security deposit will not be required from existing IEC residential members for an additional non-commercial account, provided in the most recent twelve (12) months the member has not been disconnected for non-payment and has not paid past the bill beyond the due date more than three (3) times.

The Cooperative will pay interest on security deposits at a rate established annually by the Oklahoma Corporation Commission.

The Cooperative will refund the security deposit for non-commercial accounts, with any unpaid interest, after eighteen (18) months of consecutive payments by the due date on the bill.

305 APPLICATION OF RATES

The Cooperative's standard rate schedules state the conditions under which each is available for electric service.

The member's service may not change to another rate within a twelve (12) month period, or such other period as may be provided in a written contract, unless in the opinion of the Cooperative, there is a substantial change in the character or conditions of the member's service.



306 EXCLUSIVE USE OF COOPERATIVE'S ELECTRIC SERVICE

The standard electric rate schedules are based on exclusive use of Cooperative's electric service, and except in cases where the member has a special contract with the Cooperative for breakdown, standby, auxiliary, supplemental service, or interconnection no electric energy from another source will be used by the member on the same installation in conjunction with the Cooperative's service.

The foregoing will not prohibit the installation of emergency generating equipment by a member. Such emergency generating equipment will not be connected or operated at any time in parallel with the Cooperative's system.

307 <u>RESALE OF ELECTRICITY</u>

A member will not sell the electricity purchased from the Cooperative to any other agency, company or person unless the contract under which the service is made available specifically provides for resale.

308 <u>TEMPORARY DISCONNECTS</u>

When a member requests a service be disconnected, and the same member has the service reconnected within twelve (12) months, it will be termed a "temporary disconnect" and a reconnect charge as set forth in Schedule 1 will be paid to the Cooperative at the time the member requests the reconnect. This will not prohibit any service not in use from being removed by the Cooperative.

309 SERVICE STANDARDS

Residential

Members served under the Residential Rate Schedule will be furnished single-phase, 240/120V.

Commercial

Members served under the commercial rate schedule will be furnished either single-phase or three-phase service as required by the member, subject to the following provisions:

1. <u>Single-Phase Service</u>

Single-phase service will be available for services up to a capacity of 167 kVA .

2. <u>Three-Phase Service</u>

Three-phase service will be available for capacity requirements of 50 kVA to 500 kVA; When three-phase service is furnished, the member will arrange all wiring so that single-phase and three-phase service can be taken through one meter.

3. <u>Extension of Service</u>



The taking of single-phase or three-phase service will be subject to the provisions the Cooperative's Standard Extension Policy (PART VI).

310 FRAUDULENT USE OF ELECTRICITY

If the fraudulent use of electricity or an attempt of fraudulent use of electricity (tampering with metering equipment, breakage of meter seals/locks, jumpering of metering equipment or service wiring) is discovered, the Cooperative has the right to discontinue service immediately. Service will not be resumed until the member has paid all bills, including those for energy consumed fraudulently, any damage to the meter or equipment, a service charge as described in Schedule 1 for disconnecting and reconnecting the service, and a tampering fee as stated in Schedule 1, or until the Cooperative is satisfied that the member had no connection with or knowledge of the fraudulence.

311 METER READING

Each member will provide, at all reasonable times, to the Cooperative's personnel or other designated independent contractors access to the Cooperative's meter for the purpose of reading and/or inspecting equipment.

312 <u>BILLING</u>

All bills for electric service are payable not later than twenty (20) days from the mailing date of the bill. A forfeiture of discount as specified in Schedule 1 will be added to bills not paid on or before the due date.

The Cooperative will mail to the member, at the address on the application for service or change of address order, a bill for electricity delivered. The Cooperative reserves the right to adopt other methods of delivering bills. It is the duty of the member to keep the Cooperative advised of the member's current mailing address. Failure to receive a bill in no way exempts a member from payment for service.

All bills are payable at an office of the Cooperative, or at an authorized Cooperative payment agent. Payments made at the authorized payment agent will not be posted to the member's account until the following business day.

When a member requests discontinuance of service, all amounts owed the Cooperative will become due and payable. Such amounts will be processed and billed within one (1) month from the request for discontinuance of service.

All bills submitted for payment become delinquent if not paid on or before the due date as stated on the face of the bills. A delay in receipt of payment of a bill by the Cooperative beyond the due date will result in a forfeiture of discount as stated in Schedule 1.

A fee as described in Schedule 1 will be made against the member's account for each returned item returned unpaid to the Cooperative. The Cooperative may refuse to accept a check for any payment due the Cooperative from a member who has tendered



one (1) or more bad or returned items to the Cooperative during the previous twelve (12) months.

313 DISCONTINUANCE OF ELECTRIC SERVICE

Upon the request of the member, an account will be disconnected within a period of five (5) working days.

The provisions of any written contract between the Cooperative and a member as to notice of termination of service will supersede this regulation.

The Cooperative may discontinue service to a member after written notice for the following reasons:

- 1. For non-payment of any bill for electric service rendered by the Cooperative.
- 2. For failure or refusal of the member to provide the Cooperative safe access at all reasonable times to its equipment or property located on the premises or property of the member.
- **3.** For violation or non-compliance with any applicable federal, state, municipal or other local laws, rules or regulations.
- **4.** For violation of or non-compliance with any provisions of the Cooperative's standard rate schedules, special contracts, or these Terms and Conditions of Service.
- 5. For failure of the member to make application for electric service, or for failure to make application for electric service in the true name of the member.

The Cooperative may discontinue electric service to a member without advance notice for the following reasons:

- 1. When fraudulent use of electricity is detected.
- 2. When the Cooperative's regulating or metering equipment or other property has been tampered.
- **3.** When a defective or dangerous condition is found to exist in wiring or equipment on the member's premises or location.

The Cooperative will not discontinue electric service for non-paymentoutside of normal business hours, or on a legal holiday.

314 <u>RESTORATION OF SERVICE</u>

When electric service has been discontinued in accordance with any provisions of these Terms & Conditions, the member will pay in full all amounts owed the Cooperative and will have remedied any conditions for which electric service was discontinued before service will be restored. Service will then be restored as soon as practicable but no later than 4:00 p.m. excluding pre-pay accounts.



315 <u>SERVICE CHARGES</u>

When the Cooperative incurs additional expense in maintaining a member's account for reasons beyond normal delivery of service, the Cooperative may apply service charges as stated in Schedule 1.

316 <u>NEW CONNECTIONS AND DISCONNECTIONS</u>

All new service connects or discontinuance of service will be made during normal working hours.

317 <u>REPLACING OR REPAIRING DAMAGED PROPERTY</u>

When it is necessary for the Cooperative to make a special trip to a member's location for the purpose of repairing or replacing damaged or missing property of the Cooperative, the cost of labor and materials to repair the damage and the damage property charge as stated in Schedule 1 will be invoiced to the member.

318 <u>RELOCATION OF FACILITIES</u>

When the Cooperative relocates existing facilities at the request of the member, the member will grant or obtain all valid right-of-way easement(s) without cost to the Cooperative and will pay all costs involved in the relocation of the facilities.

319 <u>TESTING OF METERS</u>

At the request of a member, the Cooperative will test any member's meter within a reasonable time as is feasible, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, to determine the accuracy of the meter serving the member.

- **1.** A fee as stated in Schedule 1 may be required from the member for a meter test.
- 2. The meter testing fee may be refunded to the member if the meter is found to have an average error of more than two percent (2%) fast when tested.
- **3.** The member may be present when the Cooperative or its agent conducts the meter test.
- 4. A printed report of the test will be supplied to the member upon request.

320 ADJUSTMENT OF BILLS FOR METER ERROR

a. <u>Fast Meters</u>

Whenever a meter tested by the Cooperative or its agent is found to have an average error of more than two percent (2%) fast (or in favor of the Cooperative), the Cooperative will refund the member the overcharge based upon the corrected meter reading for a period equal to one-half (1/2) the time elapsed since the last previous test, but not to exceed six (6) months, unless it can be



established that the error was due to some cause, the date of which can be fixed with reasonable certainty, in which case the overcharge will be computed from that date.

b. <u>Slow Meters</u>

Whenever any meter tested by the Cooperative or its agent is found to have an average error of more than two percent (2%) slow (or in favor of the member), the Cooperative may charge for the electricity consumed, but not included in charges previously rendered, based upon the corrected meter reading for a period equal to one-half (1/2) of the time elapsed since the last previous test, but not to exceed six (6) months, unless it can be established that the error was due to some cause, the date of which can be fixed with reasonable certainty, in which case the undercharge will be computed from that date.

c. <u>Non-Registering Meter</u>

If a meter is found not to register or to register intermittently for any period, the Cooperative may charge for an estimated amount of electricity used, which will be calculated by averaging the amounts registered over corresponding period in previous years, or in the absence of such information, over similar periods of known accurate measurement preceding or subsequent thereto.

d. Incorrect Register, Connection of Meter, or Multiplier on Meter

If a meter is found to have an incorrect register, connection, multiplier, or constant, the error will be corrected. Where the error is adverse to the member, the Cooperative will refund the excess charged for the amount of electricity incorrectly metered over the period of time the meter was used in billing the member. Where the error is adverse to the Cooperative, the Cooperative may charge the member the undercharge for the amount of electricity incorrectly metered for the period of time the meter was used in billing the member, and if necessary, the Cooperative may receive payment in installments over a reasonable period of time.

321 ACCESS TO MEMBER'S PROPERTY

Reference section 202.

322 <u>MEMBER'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR COOPERATIVE PROPERTY</u>

The member will be responsible for all damage to or loss of the Cooperative's property located upon the member's premises unless the damages or losses were beyond the control of the member, and for all damage to or loss of Cooperative property when the loss is the result of defective conditions in the member's wiring or equipment, or the



lack of adequate protective devices. No member will permit anyone who is not an agent of the Cooperative to remove or tamper with Cooperative equipment or property.

323 PROVIDING CLEARANCE FOR STRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT MOVING

Where a structure or equipment is to be moved along roadways over which the Cooperative has electric lines, the owner of such building or structure, or the owner's duly authorized agent, must, at least two (2) normal working days in advance of such move, advise the Cooperative of the move, the exact route to be followed, and the timing of the move.

A payment in an amount sufficient to cover the Cooperative's cost of providing for clearance of all wires, structures or equipment to be affected by the move will be made prior to the start of such a move.

In no case will anyone other than authorized employees or agents of the Cooperative move, remove, cut, raise, or in any other way handle lines, equipment or structures of the Cooperative in connection with such a move.

324 <u>CONTINUITY OF SERVICE</u>

The Cooperative will be diligent in supplying reliable and continuous service at the point of delivery, but will not be liable for any damages caused by irregularities or interruptions. The Cooperative may, without further notice, discontinue service to any member when a defective condition of wiring or equipment on the premises of the member results, or is likely to result, in danger to life or property or interference with proper service.

In order to make repairs to or changes in the Cooperative's facilities for supplying electric service, the Cooperative reserves the right, without incurring any liability, to suspend service, without notice to the member, for reasonable periods of time.

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326 PREPAID ELECTRIC SERVICE

Prepaid electric service will be available to only (RS -1) Residential Service and (GS - 1) General Service locations rated at 200 Amps or less. A member must complete and sign a Prepaid Service Agreement that outlines the service and demonstrates the member understands the terms and condition of service for prepaid electric service.

A security deposit plus interest being held by IEC will first be applied to any past due balance on the member account then applied as a credit to the member's prepaid electric account. No refund of deposit will result from the member applying for a prepaid electric account. A prepaid electric service account will require a minimum credit balance of \$25.00.

The member's account must be paid in full when participation commences or



have a debt recovery agreement in place with up to 50% of all payments being applied to the debt amount.

No paper bill will be received by a member with a prepaid electric service account. A bill will be calculated each month in the usual manner using the applicable rate and the adjustments will be made for the current month's use. It is the responsibility of the member to monitor the status of the account to maintain electric service.

Prepaid electric service accounts will not be subject to Indian Electric Cooperative's notice of disconnection as described in Section 313 <u>DISCONTINUANCE</u> <u>OF ELECTRIC SERVICE</u> in the Terms and Conditions of Service. Energy use, along with account charges and credits can be viewed at the website iecok.smarthub.coop. Notices of account activity and disconnection will be delivered to members by e-mail or automated calling. Delivery method will be chosen by the member and it will be the responsibility of the member to keep the delivery method current.

For new accounts or accounts that are to be reconnected after disconnection, a minimum of twenty-five (\$25.00) prepayment is required to activate the account. Payments may be made at either the Cleveland or Fairfax office or on the IEC website at <u>www.iecok.com</u>.

Energy assistance or funds paid on the behalf of others will be applied to the prepaid electric service account once payment is received. Pledges will not be accepted to maintain service.

If a returned check or chargeback is received on the prepaid electric service account, the amount of the returned item and the applicable fee will be charged to the member's account immediately. If this causes the credit on the account to be exhausted, service will be disconnected within 24 hours. The Cooperative has the right to decline payment by check if member meets the provisions set forth in the Terms and Conditions of Service Section 312.

Electric Service will be subject to immediate disconnection if at any time the prepaid account does not have a credit balance. Prepaid electric service accounts are not eligible for payment arrangements or Average Monthly Plan.

If at any time a member with a prepaid electric service account wants to convert the account to a regularly billed account, a deposit will be required as described in the Indian Electric Terms and Conditions of Service Section 304 <u>CRITERIA FOR REQUIREMENT OF SECURITY DEPOSIT.</u>

If a prepaid electric service account is disconnected and does not become active after fourteen (14) days, the account will be considered inactive and IEC will mail a final bill to the last known address on file.

PART IV Electric Service Regulations



401 AVAILABILITY OF SERVICE:

The type of electric service which will be furnished the member will depend on the location, size, and type of load to be served. Also, the point of delivery and service characteristics on the member's premises must be determined by the Cooperative before the member's wiring installation is made.

402 POINT OF DELIVERY

The point of delivery of electric service will be the point at which the lines of the Cooperative connect to the lines of the member at the metering point. Location of the point of delivery will be designated by an authorized employee of the Cooperative. It will be the member's responsibility to provide a location for the point of delivery that provides reasonable access for construction and maintenance purposes, and allows for compliance with applicable electric codes. Delivery schematics are on Schedule 2.

403 MEMBER'S WIRING

All electric wiring and equipment installed on the member's side of the point of delivery will be at the member's expense and will be installed and maintained in accordance with the requirements of the National Electrical Code, the National Electrical Safety Code, and the Cooperative.

The Cooperative will not be responsible for any loss, injury, or damage, which may result from defects in electrical wiring or equipment on the member's premises.

The Cooperative may refuse to make a connection when it has cause to believe that any installation on the member's premises is unsafe.

404 METERS AND DISCONNECT DEVICES

General

The Cooperative will furnish and install necessary equipment and facilities to provide proper voltage and capacity to the point of delivery. Metering equipment type, capacity, and location will be determined by the Cooperative.

All meters, meter bases, service disconnects rated at 200 Amps or less, and other associated metering equipment necessary to properly measure the electrical consumption of the member will be furnished and maintained by the Cooperative. The Cooperative will make all attachments and connections to the Cooperative facilities involving primary voltages because of the safety hazards involved.

No meter loop will be bypassed for any reason, including remodeling or replacement, without the approval of an authorized representative of the Cooperative.

The Cooperative will require a main circuit breaker or safety type fuse on the load side, and immediately adjacent to or within three (3) feet of the Cooperative's meter.



For services rated over 200 Amps, the circuit breaker or safety type fuse will be provided and installed by and at the expense of the member prior to service being made available.

Outdoor Meter Installations

Outdoor meter installations are required for all installations.

Meter Seals

All Cooperative meters will be sealed. When it is necessary for a member to break or remove a seal, such member will contact the Cooperative for approval prior to breaking or removing the seal. When a meter seal is broken or removed without advance approval of the Cooperative, such action may be deemed evidence of fraudulent use of electricity. When it is necessary for the Cooperative to make a special trip to reseal a member's meter, when the seal was broken or removed without advance approval of the Cooperative, a service charge may be applied as specified in Schedule 1.

<u>Ownership</u>

All meters, meter bases, enclosures and other equipment furnished by the Cooperative will be maintained by the Cooperative and will remain its property.

405 <u>NOTIFICATION OF INCREASED LOAD</u>

If members have an increase in demand for electricity they must notify the Cooperative so that its meter and other equipment may be increased to provide for the additional load. If members fail to notify the Cooperative they will be held responsible for any damage to the meter or other equipment of the Cooperative caused by the increased load.

406 **DISTRIBUTED GENERATION**

All matters relating to expense, installation, maintenance and operation of any distributed generating installation at and/or beyond the point where the Customer's



facilities contact the cooperative's facilities shall be governed by the Cooperative'sInterconnection Agreement..

PART V Quality of Electric Service

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502 **POWER QUALITY**

In the event that any member operates or connects any electrical device to his/her electric system which causes an interference, noise, distortions of the 60 Hz sine wave, or other disturbance on the system of the Cooperative which results in a disruption, disturbance, or interference to the Cooperative, its members, or a communication company or its members, the Cooperative may:

- **a.** Require the member causing the problem to take corrective measures by installing suitable or special equipment necessary to eliminate or reasonably limit such adverse effect.
- **b.** Install, at the member's expense, equipment specifically designed to reasonably limit such adverse effect.

The member causing the problem will bear all expenses necessary to eliminate the adverse conditions or be subject to a discontinuance of service after written notice so that other members are not deprived of the quality of service provided prior to the existence of the problem. Where the Cooperative believes the condition creates a hazard to the public, the Cooperative, or the member's property, the disconnection may be made without prior notice.

PART VI Standard Extension Policy

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602 PERMANENT OVERHEAD LINE EXTENSION



Amended by the IEC Board of Trustees November 17, 2016

a. Residential

The Cooperative will build to permanent farmsteads and residences with a standard construction allowance as described in Schedule 1 contributed by the cooperative. The customer shall be responsible for all construction costs in excess of the allowable amount.

For residential service the property must have a permanent water supply under pressure and a health department approved sewage disposal in place before any line is constructed. If a customer desires service before the sewer and water are in place, the service will be treated as a temporary service and applicable up and down charges as described in section 604 will apply.

Low Usage/Seasonal Loads

Service to loads requiring up to ten (10) KVA capacity will be served by the Cooperative with an extension of its overhead lines with a standard construction allowance as described in Schedule 1 contributed by the cooperative

b. Commercial

The Cooperative will provide a construction allowance as described in Schedule 1. The member shall be responsible for all system impact fees and costs of line extension exceeding the construction allowance amount. All specifications, including right-of-way and distances involved will be determined by the Cooperative. Calculation of costs is based on an actual previous cost determination. Ownership of the line will remain with the Cooperative and the right to connect others is in no way waived.

The customer will be responsible for all system impact fees and costs of line extension exceeding the construction allowance as described in Schedule 1. All specifications, including right-of-way, and distances involved will be determined by the Cooperative. Calculation of costs will be based on actual previous cost determinations. No construction will begin until all required documentation is received and all fees are paid including any contributions-in-aid of construction required. Ownership of the line will remain with the Cooperative and the right to connect others is in no way waived.

The customer will provide accessible entrance to the property.

603 PROVISION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY AND EASEMENTS

The owner of any property to be served must provide the Cooperative, without cost to the Cooperative, any and all necessary access permission and right-of-way easements for line construction on property, or intervening properties, so there is no question concerning the Cooperative's rights thereto.

Easements must be fifty (50) feet in width and cover the total distance of the line extension. All trees and underbrush, along with any over-hanging limbs must be removed from the right-of-way.

Where unusual fixed obstructions are encountered, or where it is necessary to purchase right-of-way easements in getting from the Cooperative's existing distribution



system to the owners property line, the property owner will be responsible for payment of any costs.

604 <u>TEMPORARY SERVICE</u>

All costs for construction of temporary services will be paid by the customer. Costs will include estimated up and down construction costs and any unsalvageable construction materials. Costs must be paid before the service will be constructed.

605 <u>EXTENSIONS IN REAL ESTATE SUBDIVISIONS OR DEVELOPMENTS AND</u> <u>MOBILE HOME PARKS</u>

When a developer requests an extension of the Cooperative's overhead distribution lines to a prospective real estate subdivision or development, mobile home park with five (5) or more contiguous lots, acreages or mobile home spaces, the Cooperative will provide a standard construction allowance as described in Schedule 1 contributed by the Cooperative. Any additional construction costs exceeding the construction allowance will be paid by the developer before construction begins. Calculation of costs is based on an actual previous cost determination.

606 <u>UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC SERVICE</u>

At the request of the customer, the Cooperative may elect to install an underground electrical distribution system. When such service is requested and is technically feasible, the Cooperative will design the system to meet the requirements for the installation. A construction allowance, as specified in Schedule 1, will be contributed to underground extensions. All costs in excess of the construction allowance will be paid by the customer.

All trenching, sanding and back-filling will be the responsibility of the customer. All underground conductors will be installed in conduit as to the Cooperative specifications. The customer is responsible for the cost and installation of the conduit.

The property owner will, at his expense, provide and install required transformer vault(s) or transformer pad(s) as to the Cooperatives specifications and at locations specified by the Cooperative. In no case should the property owner, developer or other person enclose or permit to be enclosed the transformer location so as to impair ventilation to the transformer or to restrict access by Cooperative personnel or equipment necessary for maintenance or replacement of the Cooperative's equipment.

In any case where an obstruction has been installed after the initial installation of underground facilities, and maintenance requires access to a conductor under the obstruction, the property owner will:

- 1. Permit the Cooperative access to the premises as needed.
- 2. Remove or relocate such obstruction.
- **3.** Pay all costs of repairs to underground facilities if the damage was the result of the property owner's negligence.



608 NON-USE OF ELECTRIC SERVICE

If electric service to a member is not being used, the Cooperative may notify the owner in writing that if the service is not used the electric service will be subject to removal. At the convenience of the Cooperative, the service will be retired. Idle services may be left in place upon annual payment of a retention fee as described in Schedule 1.

If the service is requested to be rebuilt while the owner who was so notified still owns interest in the property, a payment to cover the labor cost of retiring and rebuilding the service will be required before the service is rebuilt.



SCHEDULE 1

Membership\$15.00
Temporary Disconnect Fee\$50.00
Tampering FeesFirst OffenseSecond Offense\$600.00Third OffenseLoss of Service
Collection Fee\$100.00
Forfeiture of Discount 11/2% per month
Returned Item Charge\$25.00
Damaged Property\$100.00
Meter Testing\$100.00
Broken Seals\$50.00
Special Trip Charge Normal Hours\$100.00 After Hours\$200.00
Retention Fee\$180.00 Annually
System Impact Fee\$50.00 Per kW
Construction Allowance Residential\$3,000.00 Service Loads up to 450 kW\$1,500.00 Low Usage Loads\$500.00 Development Extensions\$1,500.00 Underground Extension\$1,500.00