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## **GENERAL SERVICE RULES**

### **Section 1.01 SCOPE OF GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

These General Rules and Regulations govern electric service provided to any Customer under any of the various Company rate schedules. Where there are differences between these General Rules and Regulations and the Rules of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission or South Dakota Codified Laws (as the same may be amended from time to time), the South Dakota Codified Laws will control, followed by the Rules, and then by these General Rules and Regulations. Exceptions, if any, to the application of these General Rules and Regulations to a particular rate schedule are noted on that schedule. Unless otherwise specifically noted, capitalized words and phrases in these General Rules and Regulations and in the other provisions of Company Tariffs and Riders shall have those meanings given in Section 8, the Glossary.

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## **Section 1.02 APPLICATION FOR SERVICE**

Anyone desiring electric service from the Company must make application to the Company before commencing the use of Company service. The Company reserves the right to require an Electric Service Agreement before the service will be furnished. Receipt of electric service shall constitute the receiver a Customer of the Company subject to its rates, rules and regulations, whether service is based upon the Tariff, an Electric Service Agreement, or otherwise. All applications and contracts for service are made in the legal name of the party desiring service. The Customer will be responsible for payment of all services furnished. A Customer shall give the Company not less than two business days prior notice to connect service.

The Customer may take service pursuant to any Commission-approved rate(s) for which the Customer qualifies. The Customer making application for service is required to be of legal age (18). The Customer is required to take service under the selected rate(s) for a minimum of one year, unless the Customer desires to change its service to any rate offering that is newly approved within the one-year period and for which the Customer qualifies. The Customer Charge and fixed charges from the applicable rate schedule shall apply as long as the Customer is taking service from the Company. If the Customer changes its service to a different rate, the Customer may not be permitted to change back to the originally applicable rate for a period of one year. The Customer shall provide the Company at least 45 days prior notice in the event of any requested change.



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**Section 1.03 DEPOSITS, GUARANTEES AND CREDIT POLICY**

The Company may require a deposit to ensure payment of bills when due if the Customer has not established satisfactory credit as defined by the South Dakota administrative Rules 20:10:19:04. A deposit may be required, on not less than fifteen (15) days prior notice to the Customer, if the Customer has unsatisfactory credit or unknown credit. In determining credit standing, the Company shall only use credit reports reflecting the purchase of utility services unless the Customer is unable to establish satisfactory credit with that information, and consents in writing to the use of additional credit reports. Any credit history used is mailed to the Customer. The Customer's refusal to permit use of credit rating or credit services other than that of a utility will not affect the determination of the Company as to the Customer's credit history. A deposit is not to exceed the estimated charge for furnishing service to the Customer of one-sixth of an annual bill. If a Customer's credit standing becomes unsatisfactory after a deposit has been refunded or if the deposit is inadequate to cover one-sixth of the estimated annual bill, a new or additional deposit may be required upon reasonable written notice by the Company.

Pursuant to South Dakota Administrative Rules 20:10:19:08, the Company will pay interest on deposits, each year, at the rate of seven percent. Accrued interest will either be paid to the Customer on an annual basis, or credited to the Customer by a deduction made on the Customer's' December electric service bill, or paid when a deposit is refunded on either termination of service or following 12 consecutive months without having service disconnected for nonpayment and without receiving three or more disconnection notices.

Deposits held by the Company, when the Customer ends service or service is terminated, plus any accrued interest, will be refunded by the Company to the Customer, less the amount of any unpaid bills on the account.

Whenever service has been disconnected for nonpayment of a bill, before reconnection is made, the Company has the right to require the Customer to (a) pay the reconnection fee stated in Section 1.04 of these General Rules and Regulations; (b) make a deposit as required above; and (c) make a satisfactory settlement with the Company for the delinquent bill and for service rendered between the last meter reading date and the date service was disconnected.

The Company may, in lieu of a cash deposit, accept an agreement signed by a guarantor, satisfactory to the Company, whereby payment of a specified amount not exceeding the deposit requirement is guaranteed. The term of the guarantee agreement shall be for no longer than twelve (12) months, and shall automatically terminate after the Customer has closed and paid the Customer's account with the Company, or when the Customer establishes satisfactory credit that would result in the return of a deposit, or at the guarantor's request upon 60 days written notice to the Company. However, no guarantee agreement shall be terminated without the



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Customer first having made satisfactory settlement with the Company for any past-due balance for which the Customer owes the Company at that time. On termination of a guarantee agreement, a new guarantee agreement or deposit may be required by the Company, upon reasonable notice to the Customer and if the Customer has not established satisfactory credit.

To establish or re-establish satisfactory credit, the Company may, in lieu of accepting a cash deposit or a guarantee agreement, place a Customer on an early payment list as defined by South Dakota Administrative Rules 20:10:19:05. Customers placed on an early payment list are required to pay a bill within five (5) business days of the due date on the bill. A Customer on the early payments list will be subject to disconnection if the bill is not paid within five (5) business days.

The Company may permit a nonresidential Customer to establish or re-establish satisfactory credit by providing a letter of credit or posting a surety bond for an amount not to exceed the total of the Customer's indebtedness for utility service, or by negotiating some other option reasonably satisfactory to the Company.

A Residential Customer with unknown credit has the right to choose the manner of establishing satisfactory credit from among the options available to Residential Customers under this Section.

A nonresidential Customer with unknown credit has the right to choose the manner of establishing satisfactory credit from among the options available to nonresidential Customers under this Section.



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## Section 1.04 CUSTOMER CONNECTION CHARGE

**CONNECTION CHARGE ON APPLICATION OR FOLLOWING CUSTOMER'S TEMPORARY DISCONNECTION:** Customers applying for service will pay a connection charge of \$15.00. This connection charge shall apply to any new Customer, and for reconnection following temporary disconnection at the Customer's request. The connection charge applies to the account and not each meter; it will not apply where a second Meter is added at the same location for a different type of service for an existing Customer.

**CONNECTION CHARGE AFTER DISCONNECT FOR NONPAYMENT:** Prior to reconnection following disconnection for nonpayment, a connection charge of \$15.00 is due and payable. However, the Company may limit the times outside its normal hours of operation during which it will perform a reconnection of service.

**SERVICE RELOCK CHARGE:** The Company will charge \$100.00 for reconnecting service where the Company has disconnected service and subsequently returned to relock the service after it was reconnected without Company authorization. This charge will be in addition to any charges that may be due because of the unauthorized reconnection, pursuant to Section 3.01 of these General Rules and Regulations.

**TEMPORARY METER SOCKET DETACHMENT AND REATTACHMENT CHARGE:** Customers can have these services performed by an Otter Tail Power Company representative at the employee's discretion in a reasonable time frame. The Customer will have a one-time \$50.00 fee added to their monthly billing and recognized as a "Service call, Meter socket." This charge includes the removal and reattachment of customer-owned meter sockets, masts or conduits on customer-owned property.

**ADDITIONAL CHARGES FOR CONNECTION:** In addition to the applicable charges listed above, accounts connected or reconnected outside of normal business hours will be charged overtime charges for the amount of time required, or a minimum of two hours, whichever is greater. If connection or reconnection is a continuation from 5 p.m., overtime charges will be calculated based on the amount of time it takes the employee to connect or reconnect. If several accounts are either connected or reconnected, or both during the same call back period, any overtime charges shall be divided among the several accounts.



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## **Section 1.05 CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS AND SAMPLE FORMS**

The following contracts, agreements and sample forms are listed in Section 1.05:

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ELECTRIC SERVICE AGREEMENT

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Work Order No. \_\_\_\_\_

Electric Rate Schedule No. \_\_\_\_\_

Rate Code No. \_\_\_\_\_

THIS AGREEMENT is made by and between \_\_\_\_\_  
of \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Customer") and Otter Tail Power Company (the  
"Company"), a Minnesota corporation.

In consideration of the mutual promises contained below, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Customer agrees to purchase and receive from the Company electric energy in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and all terms and conditions and Rules and Regulations (the "Terms") established by the Company and filed in its tariff with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission. These Terms shall include but not be limited to the Customer's payment for electrical energy in accordance with the Company's rate schedule as filed with and approved by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission, or such superseding rate(s) as may be filed in the future.
2. The Customer represents that it has provided accurate information to the Company and the Customer is eligible to receive electric service pursuant to the Electric Rate Schedule and Rate Code identified above. The Customer shall receive service at \_\_\_\_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of SD.
3. The Company shall supply to the Customer \_\_\_\_\_ phase electric service, at \_\_\_\_\_ nominal volts, having a specific demand classification of \_\_\_\_\_ or an estimated demand of \_\_\_\_\_, and having an estimated load factor of \_\_\_\_\_% (if any of the aforementioned is not applicable, so indicate). If applicable, the Company shall charge for and the Customer shall pay any additional costs associated with Special Facilities as identified in Section 5.02 of the Rules and Regulations. The total cost of Special Facilities identified is \$\_\_\_\_\_.
4. The following service Riders apply to the Customer's service at this location:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. The Customer agrees that the Company shall not be liable for any losses, damages, or expenses (including but not limited to injury to persons, including death, or property damages) incurred by any persons for any delay, interruption, curtailment, suspension, disturbance or variability in its provision of electric service (including, but not limited to, any occurrence of voltage fluctuations or power surges) due to acts of God, or to any other cause whatsoever except the Company's own gross negligence or willful misconduct. The Company will not be liable for incidental or consequential damages, including, but not limited to, loss of profits resulting from the use of service or any delay, interruption, curtailment, suspension, disturbance or variability of electric service. The Company shall have the right to suspend temporarily the delivery of electric power hereunder for the purpose of making repairs or improvements of its system.
6. This agreement shall go into effect on the date of signing and shall continue in effect for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) years and thereafter shall remain in effect from year to year unless terminated by either party by notice given at least sixty (60) days in advance of termination.
7. If applicable, in order to provide an adequate and proper net return on the additional investment to be made by the Company in providing service to the Customer, it is agreed that the Customer will make minimum payments of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month for electric service received by the Customer at the service location, for a minimum period of thirty six (36) months. If the Customer elects to discontinue service prior to the end of the thirty six (36) month period, or if the Customer is disconnected for any reason, the Customer agrees to pay the difference between the cumulative total paid for electric service prior to the date of discontinuation and the Minimum Total Payment, which is the Company's total investment of \$\_\_\_\_\_. The Customer agrees to make an advance payment in the

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amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ prior to installation of service. This advance payment shall be retained by the Company and will be returned with interest to the Customer upon completion of the minimum thirty six (36) month period, provided that the Customer has made the Minimum Total Payment as required. If the Customer does not make the Minimum Total Payment, the Company shall apply the advance payment (if any) against any balance due on the Minimum Total Payment, and the Customer shall be required to pay to the Company the unpaid balance of the Minimum Total Payment.

- 8. The rights and obligations of this agreement shall extend to and be binding upon the respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties execute this Agreement effective as of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Customer

OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY

By: \_\_\_\_\_



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IRRIGATION ELECTRIC SERVICE AGREEMENT

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Work Order No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Electric Rate Schedule No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rate Code No. \_\_\_\_\_

THIS AGREEMENT is made by and between \_\_\_\_\_  
 of \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Customer") and Otter Tail Power Company (the  
 "Company"), a Minnesota corporation .

In consideration of the mutual promises contained below, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Customer agrees to purchase and receive from the Company electric energy in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and all terms and conditions and Rules and Regulations (the "Terms") established by the Company and filed in its tariff with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission. These Terms shall include but not be limited to Customer's payment for electrical energy in accordance with the Company's rate schedule as filed with and approved by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission, or such superseding rate(s) as may be filed in the future.
2. The Customer represents that it has provided accurate information to the Company and the Customer is eligible to receive electric service pursuant to the Electric Rate Schedule and Rate Code identified above. Customer shall receive service at \_\_\_\_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of SD.
3. The Company shall supply to Customer \_\_\_\_\_ phase electric service, at such voltage as determined by the economically available source of supply. The Customer will report the reading of its meter once each month or when requested to do so by the Company.
4. The following service Riders apply to Customer's service at this location: \_\_\_\_\_
5. The Customer agrees that the Company shall not be liable for any losses, damages, or expenses (including but not limited to injury to persons, including death, or property damages) incurred by any persons for any delay, interruption, curtailment, suspension, disturbance or variability in its provision of electric service (including, but not limited to, any occurrence of voltage fluctuations or power surges) due to acts of God, or to any other cause whatsoever except the Company's own gross negligence or willful misconduct. The Company will not be liable for incidental or consequential damages, including, but not limited to, loss of profits resulting from the use of service or any delay, interruption, curtailment, suspension, disturbance or variability of electric service. The Company shall have the right to suspend temporarily the delivery of electric power hereunder for the purpose of making repairs or improvements of its system.
6. This agreement shall go into effect on the date of signing and shall continue in effect for a period of five (5) years and thereafter shall remain in effect from year to year unless terminated by either party by notice given at least sixty (60) days in advance of termination.
7. If applicable, the Customer has elected to build or purchase the extension of lines not needed to serve other customers of the Company, and the point of line extension at which Customer-owned line extension meets with the Company-owned line is at: \_\_\_\_\_. Customer shall be responsible to ensure that the line extension on the Customer's side of the meet point meets applicable electric codes and standards. Unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, all equipment on the Customer's side of this meet point is owned by the Customer, and all equipment on the Company's side of the meet point is owned by the Company. Unless otherwise agreed to by the Company in writing, the Company shall not maintain or operate the Customer's line or equipment and the Customer is required to operate and maintain its line and equipment at the Customer's own expense. Exceptions (if any) are as follows: \_\_\_\_\_. If at any time, in the opinion of the Company, that portion of the line extension owned by the Customer interferes with the operation of the Company's line or system, or shall be a hazard to persons or property, the Company reserves the right to discontinue service until the Customer's line extension has been restored to a safe and proper condition.

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8. As required under its Electric Rate Schedule for this service, the Customer shall pay to the Company a fixed charge to compensate the Company for its investment in the extension of lines (which shall exclude any line extensions provided by the Customer as described in Paragraph 7), including the rebuilding or cost of capacity increase in lines or apparatus, necessitated because of the Company's irrigation pumping load (the "Investment"). The Customer elects to pay this charge as follows:

- Annual fixed charge for the term of this Agreement equal to 18% of the Investment of the Company, which annual amount for the Customer is \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- Prepayment of the installation and costs of the equipment in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ and payment for the term of this Agreement of an annual fixed charge equal to 3.5% of the Investment of the Company, which annual amount for the Customer is \$\_\_\_\_\_.

If applicable, the Company shall charge for and the Customer shall pay any additional costs associated with Special Facilities as identified in Section 5.02 of the General Rules and Regulations. The total cost of Special Facilities identified is \$\_\_\_\_\_.

- 9. In order to provide an adequate and proper net return on the additional investment to be made by the Company in providing service to the Customer, it is agreed that the Customer will make minimum payments of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month for electric service received by the Customer at the service location, for a minimum period of sixty (60) months. If the Customer elects to discontinue service prior to the end of the sixty (60) month period, or if the Customer is disconnected for any reason, the Customer agrees to pay the difference between the cumulative total paid for electric service prior to the date of discontinuation and the Minimum Total Payment, which is the Company's total investment of \$\_\_\_\_\_. The Customer agrees to make an advance payment in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ prior to installation of service. This advance payment shall be retained by the Company and will be returned with interest to the Customer upon completion of the minimum sixty (60) month period, provided that the Customer has made the Minimum Total Payment as required. If the Customer does not make the Minimum Total Payment, the Company shall apply the advance payment (if any) against any balance due on the Minimum Total Payment, and Customer shall be required to pay to the Company the unpaid balance of the Minimum Total Payment.
- 10. The Company shall have the right to transmit electric energy over any and all extensions of lines used to supply the Customer's service, to other customers who shall apply for service, either by connecting with existing extensions of lines or by erecting and installing new extensions of lines, provided that such service to other customers shall not interfere with the service furnished to the Customer.
- 11. The rights and obligations of this agreement shall extend to and be binding upon the respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties execute this Agreement effective as of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Customer

OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY

By: \_\_\_\_\_



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**OUTDOOR LIGHTING AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT is made by and between Otter Tail Power Company (the "Company"), a Minnesota corporation, and \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Customer").

In consideration of the mutual promises contained below, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Customer agrees to purchase and receive from the Company the electric services identified in this Agreement, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and all terms and conditions and rules and regulations (the "Terms") established by the Company and filed in its tariff with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission, as the same may be amended from time to time.
2. The Company shall provide and the Customer shall pay for the services specified in this Agreement for a term of \_\_\_\_ years (but in no event less than a minimum term of (1) one year) with an effective date of the term to begin \_\_\_\_\_, and terminating \_\_\_\_\_, and thereafter shall be renewed for periods of one year each, unless written notice to the contrary is given by either party to the other not less than thirty (30) days before the expiration of this agreement or any renewal thereof. The Customer Charge and fixed charges from the applicable rate schedule shall apply as long as the Customer is taking service from the Company.

If Customer does not receive any one or more of the services described below, indicate by inserting "N/A" as appropriate.

**OUTDOOR LIGHTING**

Work Order No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Electric Rate Sched. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Rate Code No. \_\_\_\_\_

3. The Customer elects to receive, and the Company shall provide, the following outdoor lighting service at the following location(s) \_\_\_\_\_:

\_\_\_\_\_ Outdoor Lighting - Company-Provided Equipment:

Number of Units	Unit Type	Wattage Rating	Monthly Charge

\_\_\_\_\_ Outdoor Lighting - Energy Only - Non-Metered

Number of Units	Unit Type	Connected kW per Unit	Monthly Charge

\_\_\_\_\_ Outdoor Lighting - Energy Only - Metered

4. If the Customer elects to receive service as Outdoor Lighting - Company-Provided Equipment or Outdoor Lighting - Energy Only - Non-Metered, the number of units or type of unit shall not be changed from that shown in Paragraph 3 above, except by mutual consent of the parties.



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- 5. The Customer represents that it has provided accurate information to the Company and the Customer is eligible to receive Outdoor Lighting service pursuant to the Electric Rate Schedule(s) and Rate Code(s) identified above.
- 6. The following service Riders apply to the Customer's service: \_\_\_\_\_ These Riders are also designated by the Rate Schedule(s) and Rate Code(s) identified above.

**MUNICIPAL PUMPING (GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY)**

Work Order No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Electric Rate Sched. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Rate Code No. \_\_\_\_\_

- 7. The Company agrees to furnish, and the Customer agrees to pay for, electric service to operate the pumps for the Customer's present water supply system and present sewage system, and such additions to these systems as may be mutually agreed upon, in accordance with this Agreement and in the Terms.
- 8. The Customer represents that it has provided accurate information to the Company and the Customer is eligible to receive Municipal Pumping service pursuant to the Electric Rate Schedule(s) and Rate Code(s) identified above.
- 9. The following service Riders apply to the Customer's service: \_\_\_\_\_ These Riders are also designated by the Rate Schedule(s) and Rate Code(s) identified above.

**FIRE SIRENS (GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY)**

Work Order No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Electric Rate Sched. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Rate Code No. \_\_\_\_\_

- 10. The Company agrees to furnish, and the Customer agrees to pay for, electric service to operate the Customer's fire/warning sirens listed below.
- 11. The Customer represents that it has provided accurate information to the Company and the Customer is eligible to receive Fire Sirens service pursuant to the Electric Rate Schedule(s) and Rate Code(s) identified above.
- 12. The following service Riders apply to the Customer's service: \_\_\_\_\_ These Riders are also designated by the Rate Schedule(s) and Rate Code(s) identified above.

Location	Metered		Horsepower	Account Number	Billing Amount
	Yes	No			

**GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- 13. The Customer agrees that the Company shall not be liable for any losses, damages, or expenses (including but not limited to injury to persons, including death, or property damages) incurred by any persons for any delay, interruption, curtailment, suspension, disturbance or variability in its provision of electric service (including, but not limited to, any occurrence of voltage fluctuations or power surges) due to acts of God, or to any other cause whatsoever except the Company's own gross negligence or willful misconduct. The Company will not be liable for incidental or consequential damages, including, but not limited to, loss of profits resulting from the use of service or any delay, interruption, curtailment, suspension, disturbance or variability of electric service. The Company shall have the right to suspend temporarily the delivery of electric power hereunder for the purpose of making repairs or improvements of its system.

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- 14. If applicable, the Company shall charge for and the Customer shall pay any additional costs associated with Special Facilities as identified in Section 5.02 of the General Rules and Regulations. The total cost of Special Facilities identified is \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- 15. All previous agreements, if any, between the parties covering the subject matter hereof are hereby cancelled and terminated as of the effective date specified in Paragraph 2 of this Agreement, except as specifically provided in this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties execute this Agreement to be effective as of the date stated in Paragraph 2 above.

OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY

By \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

CUSTOMER

By \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

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### SUMMARY BILLING SERVICE CONTRACT

**Primary Customer Information** [Send master account billing to:]

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Customer Authorization**

Customer authorizes Otter Tail Power Company ("Company") to provide Summary Billing Service according to the Company's General Rules and Regulations (on file with the Public Service or Utilities Commission of the state where Customer's service is provided), as the same may be changed from time to time, for the accounts listed by Customer in Attachment 1, Summary Billing Service Worksheet. Company shall not be liable for any customer costs that may result from any refusal, delays or failure to provide for summary billing service when requested, for summary bill account charges or for reverting accounts to standard billing and mailing pursuant to Company's approved tariffs.

**Changes by Customer**

Request to change the above customer information or add or delete an account included in a summary bill described on the Summary Billing Service Worksheet must be made 45 days before the desired effective date. Future changes clearly showing the preferred effective date may be attached to this signed contract. Customer agrees to either send in the most recent copy of all bills selected for summary billing OR complete the Summary Billing Service Worksheet.

**Changes by Otter Tail Power Company**

The Company reserves the right to make changes from time to time in the administration of Summary Billing Services. The service is subject to Company's General Rules and Regulations as they now exist or may hereafter be changed. Company will notify participating customers of any changes to the service provided.

**Cancellation**

This contract may be cancelled by either the Customer or the Company with a 45-day written notification. Cancellation will cause the Company to discontinue the Customer's summary bill, reverting the individual accounts to separate monthly billing with the bills mailed to their individual mailing addresses unless otherwise specified by the Customer in writing at the time of cancellation.

**Approval Signatures**

Otter Tail Power Company

Customer Representative \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



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**Guarantee in lieu of deposit**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Customer's Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Account Number)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Guaranteed  
Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_ ("Guarantor"), guarantee to Otter Tail Power  
Company ("Company") payment of the electric service bills of  
\_\_\_\_\_ ("Customer"), in an amount not to exceed one-sixth of  
an estimated annual bills for service.

Conditions under which this agreement may be terminated are listed as follows:

1. The Customer discontinues receiving electric service from the Company and has paid the Customer's account with the Company.
2. The Customer changes service location covered by the guarantee agreement.
3. The Customer makes prompt payment to the Company of all electric service bills for 12 consecutive months.
4. I give the Company 60 days prior written notice for the termination of this agreement.
5. The Customer makes payment of the security deposit required by the Company.

However, this agreement may not be terminated until satisfactory settlement is made of any balance owed by the Customer to the Company.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Guarantor) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Guarantor)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Phone Number of Guarantor) \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address of Guarantor) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Customer)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Otter Tail Power Company

\_\_\_\_\_  
By: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_





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## Controlled Service Agreement



Customer name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Account number \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

The undersigned Customer agrees to purchase Controlled Service from Otter Tail Power Company. Controlled Service is subject to terms and conditions as provided in the applicable Otter Tail Power Company's tariff.

Otter Tail Power Company's "Controlled Service" Rate is designed to provide lower cost electricity to customers who have electrical loads that can be shut off during "peak" demand periods.

When the electric loads are space heating systems, there is a danger that damage to the building may result if an alternate fuel heating system is not available or operational to come on when the electric heat is shut off during the control period. This danger is obviously most prevalent if the alternate fuel is a type that must be hand fired, such as a wood burner or in some rare cases where no alternate system is available.

While Otter Tail Power Company does not specify what type of alternate fuel must be used, Customers who choose to have a hand fired system or no backup need to be aware of the possible consequences when it does become necessary for the electric heat to be switched off when nobody is around to hand fire the alternate system or to monitor the temperature in the premise.

In order for Otter Tail Power Company to offer the reduced rate, it must be able to turn off all electric heat. Controlled Service requires that no electric heating be used in the building when Otter Tail Power Company is controlling these electrical loads.

If the electric heat is shut off and no other heat source comes on to provide heat, the water in the plumbing could freeze and burst the pipes. Other damage could result from freezing temperatures in the structure.

In order to acknowledge that the Customer has been advised of, understands and agrees to the risks associated with receiving Controlled Service, the Customer has signed and delivered to Otter Tail Power Company the following statement:

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To: Otter Tail Power Company

\_\_\_\_\_ Customer Service Center

- I have read this Controlled Service Agreement and the related tariff provisions and understand the potential for damage my property and I am exposed to by using a hand fired heating fuel, (type of fuel) \_\_\_\_\_, as my backup heating system. It is my choice, however, and I will NOT hold Otter Tail Power Company liable or responsible for any damages that might occur due to a "shut off" of my primary electric heating system.
- I also agree that, in order to qualify for the Controlled Service rate, I will not use electricity as a secondary "backup" fuel when the regular electric heating system is controlled.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Otter Tail Power Company

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White - Customer Yellow - OTP file

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**ELECTRIC SERVICE STATEMENT**

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Check for mailing address change  
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2111 15TH ST N  
 PO BOX 70  
 WAHPETON ND 58074-0070

8BWNFYTH \*\*B001  
 806 0418761#



MARY CUSTOMER  
 1234 ELM ST E  
 ANYTOWN, SD 57262-0496

OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY  
 PO BOX 6000  
 WAHPETON ND 58074-6000



Due Date: **Sep 08, 2008**

Amount Due: **\$136.00**

Your payment is recorded upon receipt. Please allow sufficient mailing time.  
 Please return this stub with your payment. If paying in person, bring the entire bill. 15 -12 - 695 15-123456-5 \$136.00 EMP

**Status of Your Account**



Account Number: **15-123456** Access Code: **6030**  
 MARY CUSTOMER

1234 ELM ST E  
 ANYTOWN, SD 57262

Billing Date: **Aug 18, 2008**

Previous Payment: **07/28/08 65.61**

Current EMP: **136.00**

Amount Due: **\$136.00**

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 concerns, or complaints you might  
 have about your bill.  
 Call us at 701-642-6684, or toll-free at  
 1-800-257-4044.

Visit or write our office at:  
 2111 15TH ST N  
 PO BOX 70  
 WAHPETON ND 58074-0070

www.otpco.com

**Even Monthly  
 Payment Status**

Current EMP payment due: **136.00**

Your month 1 EMP Balance after payment: **48.99 Credit**

**Account Detail**

<b>01. Residential Use and Wtr Htg</b>		<b>02. Controlled Service</b>		<b>03. Other Charges/Credits</b>	
08/14/08 Reading	69135	08/14/08 Reading	1968	Energy Adjustment	
07/15/08 Reading	68411	07/15/08 Reading	1192	724 kwh @ .01456	7.57
Kilowatt Hours Used	724	Kilowatt Hours Used	776	Sales Tax	3.54
Customer Charge	5.80	Customer Charge	1.75		
200 kwh at .07579	15.16	776 kwh at .03150	24.44		
524 kwh at .06453	33.81				

**Total: (01) 64.77 Total: (02) 26.19 Total: (03) 11.11**  
**Current Billing: 92.07**

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Change of mailing address: \$136.00

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\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE # (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

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Cards accepted: VISA MasterCard Discover

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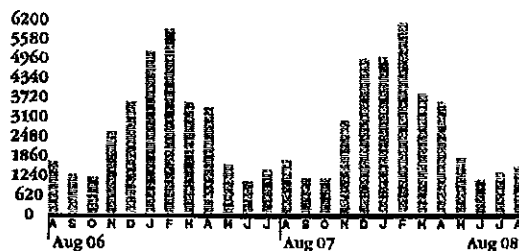
Geothermal heat pumps are more than 300% efficient and will heat or cool your home, providing year-round comfort.

Finance approved electric purchases with Dollarsmart financing and add payments to your electric service statements.

For just \$15 to \$20 a month an electric water heater will provide all the hot water you need.

**Your KWH Usage at a Glance**

TOTAL KWH USAGE FOR THE LAST 25 MONTHS



Average kwh per day: 50  
 Average daily cost: 3.07  
 Current billing days: 30

The temperature this billing period averaged 1 degree cooler than the same period last year and 0 degrees warmer than the last billing period.

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**ADJUSTED ELECTRIC SERVICE STATEMENT**

01 0 5 4 0000

Check for mailing address change  
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Energy Share Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_



2111 15TH ST N  
 PO BOX 70  
 WAHPETON ND 58074-0070

8BWNFFTH \*\*C005  
 #08 0876697#

MARY CUSTOMER  
 1234 ELM ST E  
 ANYTOWN, SD 57262-0466

OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY  
 PO BOX 6000  
 WAHPETON ND 58074-6000



Due Date: **Oct 10, 2008**  
 Amount Due: **\$48.57**

Your payment is recorded upon receipt. Please allow sufficient mailing time.  
 Please return this stub with your payment. If paying in person, bring the entire bill. 15-14-035 **15-123456-3** **\$48.57**

**Status of Your Account**

**ADJUSTED BILL**

Account Number: **15-123456** Access Code: **6145**  
 MARY CUSTOMER

1234 ELM ST E  
 ANYTOWN, SD 57262

Billing Date: **Sep 19, 2008**

Previous Payment: **25.63**  
 09/11/08  
 Current Billing: **48.57**  
 Amount Due: **\$48.57**

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 concerns, or complaints you might  
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**Account Detail**

01. General Service  
 A 09/15/08 Reading 40185  
 08/14/08 Reading 40027  
 Multiplier  
 40.000 X 10  
 Kilowatt Hours Used 420  
 Bill Demand Is 4.9 kw  
 Customer Charge 6.00  
 420 kwh at .08275 34.78  
 kwh at .04268\*\* 0.00

Total: (01) 40.76

02. Other Charges/Credits  
 Energy Adjustment  
 420 kwh @ .01456 6.12  
 Sales Tax 1.89

Total: (02) 8.01

\*\*Limit or spread your load. Maximum Demand for a smaller bill. kwh in excess of 200 x your max dem are at this low rate.

\*A Indicates Adjusted Bill

Current Billing: 48.57

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Change of mailing address:

\$48.57

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 PHONE # (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

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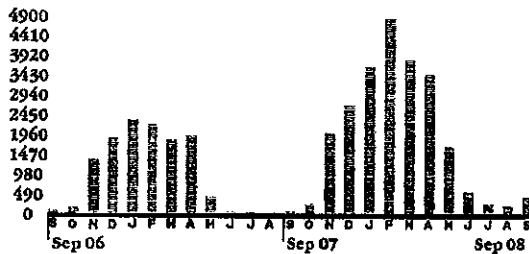
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**Your KWH Usage at a Glance**

TOTAL KWH USAGE FOR THE LAST 25 MONTHS



Average kwh per day: 13  
 Average daily cost: 1.52  
 Current billing days: 32

The temperature this billing period averaged 3 degrees warmer than the same period last year and 4 degrees cooler than the last billing period.

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### NOTICE OF PROPOSED DISCONNECTION

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404 S 2ND ST  
PO BOX 392  
MILBANK SD 57252-0392



OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY  
PO BOX 6000  
WAHPETON ND 58074-6000



Total Amount Due: \$213.82  
Disconnect Amount: \$119.38  
Disconnect Date: Jul 02, 2008  
\$213.82

Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Service Location: BUSHNELL SD 57276

### DISCONNECTION NOTICE

If you have already sent your payment, please accept our thanks and disregard this notice.

YOUR ELECTRIC SERVICE AT:  
BUSHNELL SD 57276  
WILL BE SUBJECT TO DISCONNECTION AFTER 10 AM Jul 02, 2008  
BECAUSE YOUR ACCOUNT IS PAST DUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$119.38

Account Number:  
BUSHNELL SD 57276  
ACCESS CODE:

IF FULL PAYMENT OF \$119.38 IS NOT RECEIVED AT PO BOX 6000, WAHPETON, ND ON OR BEFORE 10 AM JUL 02 YOUR ELECTRIC SERVICE WILL BE SUBJECT TO DISCONNECTION.

If you have any questions about the disconnect amount or need to make arrangements for payment, call Otter Tail at 605-432-4579, or our toll free number 1-800-257-4044 in Milbank, South Dakota between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Anyone with an unresolved dispute may request appeal and mediation from the South Dakota PUC, Capitol Bldg, Pierre, SD 57501 or call 605-773-3201 or 1-800-332-1782.

Total Amount Due: \$213.82

If your electric service has been disconnected, the disconnect amount plus a reconnection charge will be required.  
If your electric service has been disconnected, a deposit may become due.  
Dates and amounts due from prior notices remain in effect.

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**CUSTOMER DEPOSIT REFUND RECORD**

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CIS615*	CUSTOMER DEPOSIT REFUND RECORD					RECORD
NAME			ACCT NO			/16/2002 1
TOWN			ADDRESS			
CREDIT RATING			CREDIT HISTORY			
DEP NO	DATE	DEP AMT	DEP NO	DATE	DEP AMT	
MAILING ADDRESS				TURN ON DATE		
				TURN OFF DATE		
				FINAL BILL		
				LESS DEPOSITS		
				LESS INTEREST		
				BALANCE		

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### CUSTOMER DEPOSIT RECEIPT

**PRESERVE THIS RECEIPT. ITS SURRENDER WILL AID YOU IN OBTAINING A REFUND  
THIS RECEIPT IS NOT TRANSFERABLE**

Town \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_\_

Received of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Dollars (\$ \_\_\_\_\_)

As a deposit to secure payment of amounts due the company, this deposit shall earn interest in accordance with applicable laws and regulations per annum until service is discontinued or disconnected for non-payment of bills due to the company, but not thereafter, and will be repaid with interest to the depositor when the service is discontinued or disconnected for non-payment of bills due the company provided all obligations of the depositor to the company have been discharged; or will be applied to the liquidation of the account.

**This Receipt is not Transferable**

Service Address \_\_\_\_\_ Otter Tail Power Company

Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_

White - Original - Customer copy  
Yellow - Office Copy  
Pink - Remains in Book  
**PRESS FIRMLY WHEN WRITING—THREE COPIES**



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**EVEN MONTHLY PAYMENT BROCHURE**

# Even Monthly Payment



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## Even Monthly Payment

Even billing regardless of the season

Our Even Monthly Payment plan makes it easier for you to budget by averaging your electric bills for the past 12 months to project your monthly payments for the next year. So, whether it's the biting cold of January or the searing heat of August, you'll pay the same amount each month.

EMP doesn't change the amount of electricity you use or the rate you pay. It helps you manage your personal budget by setting in advance how much your electricity will cost each month.

If you accrue a credit balance, Otter Tail Power Company pays interest monthly on your average daily credit balance. We'll review your account quarterly and adjust your EMP amount if your electric use changes significantly during the year.

EMP is available to customers at no charge and if EMP doesn't work for you, you can return to conventional billing at any time.



### Sign up for EMP

Complete and return this enrollment form to your local customer service center.  
*(Please print your name, address, and account number as it appears on your electric service statement.)*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Account number -

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_

Day phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I'd like to try Even Monthly Payment. I understand that I can return to conventional billing at any time if EMP doesn't work for me.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate if you would like to know more about other payment options.

Send me information about Ready Check.

Send me information about ePay.

Or call 800-257-4044.



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### READY CHECK BROCHURE



#### Make budgeting easier with Even Monthly Payment

To make budgeting even easier, you can sign up for *Even Monthly Payment* at the same time you enroll in Ready Check by marking the box on the attached enrollment form. With EMP we average your electric service payments for the past 12 months to determine the amount you'll pay each month for the next year.

EMP doesn't change the amount of electricity you use or the rate you pay. It simply spreads your payments evenly over a 12-month period. We'll review your account every four months and adjust your monthly EMP amount if your electric use changes significantly during the year.

As with Ready Check, you can cancel your enrollment in EMP at anytime.

#### Feel at home on the Internet?

If you prefer to pay your bills online, enroll in ePay, our free electronic bill-management service. Review your monthly statements online, set up automatic payments, or pay through our web site or by phone. To enroll, visit us online at [www.otpc.com](http://www.otpc.com).

For more information about Ready Check, EMP or ePay, visit us at [www.otpc.com](http://www.otpc.com) or call 800-257-4044.



## Ready Check



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Pay for your electric service through Ready Check, our convenient automatic payment program. You'll have one less thing to take care of when you authorize your bank to pay your monthly electric bill automatically.

With Ready Check you can:

- Avoid late or missed payments.
- Write fewer checks.
- Save postage.
- Eliminate office visits.
- Combine with Even Monthly Payment and know in advance your bill amount.

**Pick your payment date**

With Ready Check you can choose the payment date that best fits your budget as long as payment is within 25 days of your billing date. Your bank will deduct the amount of your bill from your checking account on the date you choose or on the following business day if your payment date falls on a weekend or a holiday.

You'll continue to receive a monthly electric service statement so you'll have a record of the amount your bank deducts from your account.

If Ready Check doesn't work for you, cancel the program at any time by providing written notice to Otter Tail Power Company.

**Enrolling in Ready Check is easy**

1. Complete this form (please print).
2. Attach a voided check to this form.
3. Return to Otter Tail Power Company  
PO Box 6000  
Wahpeton, ND 58074-6000.

*I authorize my bank to draw against my bank account to pay my monthly electric service bills from Otter Tail Power Company.*

*I would like to make payments on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of each month (must be within 25 days of your billing date.)*

**Bank Information**

Name on account \_\_\_\_\_  
 Checking account number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bank name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_  
 State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature as shown on bank records**

- Please enroll me in the Even Monthly Payment plan at the same time.  
(See reverse side for more information.)

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Your Otter Tail Power Company account number:

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## **RATE APPLICATION**

### **SECTION 2.01 ASSISTING CUSTOMERS IN RATE SELECTION**

If a Customer is eligible to receive service under more than one rate schedule, the Company will, upon notice of this fact, advise the Customer of all alternatives. While the Company will endeavor to assist the Customer in the choice of the most advantageous rate schedule, either for initial service or subsequent thereto, the Company does not guarantee that the Customer will at all times be served under the most favorable rate; nor will the Company make refunds representing the difference in charges between the rate for which service was actually billed and another rate which is or may subsequently become available when the Company has complied with South Dakota law.

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## Section 2.02 SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

Rates designated "General Service" are available to any nonresidential Customer.

A Residential Service rate may be applied only to an individual residence, private apartment, mobile home, fraternity house or sorority house; including garages and other auxiliary buildings on the premises and used by the Residential Customer for noncommercial use. A residence containing not more than one light housekeeping unit in addition to the principal Residential unit may be classified as a single unit.

Pursuant to South Dakota Administrative Rules Chapter 20:10:26, master metering will not be permitted on any multi occupancy building, mobile home park or trailer court where construction began after June 13, 1980.

The prohibition against master metering shall not apply to hospitals; nursing homes; transient hotels and motels; dormitories; campgrounds; other residential facilities of a purely transient nature; residential duplexes where the owner occupies one of the two units; multiple occupancy buildings with central heating or cooling systems, central ventilating systems or central hot water systems provided the Customer has notified the Commission of the claimed exception and the Commission has not required the Customer to obtain a variance to its rules); mobile home courts or trailer parks or any multiple occupancy building where construction began before June 13, 1980; or any multiple occupancy building constructed, owned or operated with funds appropriated through the Department of Housing and Urban Development, or any other federal or state government agency if formal regulation of the funding agency requires master metering.

Existing multiple occupancy buildings with permitted master metering that are being substantially remodeled or renovated for continued use as such, will be permitted to continue to have master metering only if the owner can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission that conversion to individual metering would be impractical, uneconomical or infeasible. Each multiple dwelling building with permitted master metering that is served on the Residential Service Rate will be charged the applicable Monthly Minimum Customer Charge (as stated in the Residential Service rate schedule), plus usage charges calculated at the applicable block rate for usage, per dwelling unit, regardless of whether all the dwelling units are occupied or not.

On application by the Customer for master metering of service, the Company shall determine whether master metering is permissible. An owner or builder of a new or substantially remodeled building may, however, petition the Commission for a variance from its rules to permit master metering of electric service, if application for master metering is denied by the Company. The Commission may grant the variance if the owner or builder demonstrates to the



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satisfaction of the Commission that converting to or using individual meters is impractical or infeasible.

Where the owner, proprietor, operator, or his or her designee of a Commercial enterprise occupies living quarters in the same building as the Commercial enterprise, he or she may, at his or her option, have the electricity used in the living quarters separately metered and billed at the applicable Residential rate, or the electricity may be included in the central metering to the Commercial enterprise, in which case billing shall be at the applicable nonresidential rate.

The Farm Service Rate shall apply to any Customer carrying on normal farming operations regardless whether the Farm is situated inside or outside the corporate limits of any city or village.

Two or more families living either in the same farmhouse or in separate buildings but all involved in the normal operation of a single Farm may take service through the Farm Meter and billed at the regular Farm rate, subject to the limitations contained in the Farm rate.

A residence located adjacent to or on a Farm, but not being a part of the Farm operation is considered simply as a residence in a rural area and shall be metered separately and billed at the applicable Residential rate. If such residence is occupied by a family member involved with the operation of the Farm, the dwelling may be classified as either Residential or Farm. Farm classification will allow some or all of the outbuildings to be metered with the residence. If classified as Residential, only those outbuildings associated with Residential usage, such as a garage or storage building, may be metered with the residence.





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## CURTAILMENT OR INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE

### Section 3.01 DISCONNECTION OF SERVICE

The Company may disconnect service if the Customer is delinquent in payment for service, and fails to pay for service or enter into a satisfactory installment agreement with the Company for payment within fourteen (14) days of the Company giving the Customer written notice of the Company’s intention to discontinue service on account of payment delinquency. Pursuant to South Dakota Administrative Rules 20:10:20:10, Residential Customers shall receive an additional 30 days notice of proposed disconnection during the period of November 1 through March 31.

The Company may discontinue service if the Customer fails to comply with the Company’s regulations pertaining to installation and operation of utilization equipment, or for use of equipment which interferes with, or adversely affects, the service of other customers, and fails to change or disconnect such equipment within ten (10) days of the Company giving the Customer written notice of such non-compliance.

The Company may discontinue service without notice if a Meter or other equipment installed by the Company has been tampered with, if there has been a diversion of service, or if the Customer is utilizing service before the electric service has passed through a Meter installed by the Company. The Company shall additionally be entitled to pursue such other remedies against the Customer for Meter tampering as are available under applicable laws and regulations.

In instances involving tampering with, bypass of load control capabilities, or rate compliance violations as determined by the Company, the Company shall have the right to immediately discontinue the Customer’s participation in the program and bill for all expenses involved in the removal of the load management equipment, plus applicable investigative charges.

In case of Meter tampering or energy diversion, the Customer will be subject to discontinuance of service and prosecution under existing applicable laws. Pursuant to South Dakota Codified Law 49-34-19, the Company will be entitled to collect from the Customer three times the amount of the actual damages plus all reasonable expense and costs incurred on account of the bypassing, tampering or unauthorized metering, including but not limited to, costs and expenses for investigation, disconnection, reconnection, service calls, employees and equipment, expert witness fees, costs of trial and reasonable attorney’s fees as allowed by the court.



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When a Customer who has tenants is including the cost of the Company's service in the rent charged and the Company's bill for service to the Customer becomes delinquent, the Company will before disconnecting service notify the tenants in writing at least ten (10) days prior to the proposed disconnection date. The Company will allow each tenant to apply to become the Customer of the Company in the tenant's own name, to have the service to the rental facility continued or resumed, and to pay the pro-rata share of future bills for service. Such tenant-Customer shall be considered the Customer of the Company for that service.

Any disconnection, suspension, delay or discontinuance of service will not relieve the Customer of the Customer's obligations to the Company.

A Customer shall give the Company not less than two business days prior notice to disconnect service.



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## **Section 3.02 CURTAILMENT OR INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE**

The Company may curtail or interrupt service without notice to any or all of its Customers when in the Company's judgment such curtailment or interruption will tend to prevent or alleviate an emergency condition that threatens the integrity of its electrical system or whenever requested to do so by any regional Reliability authority. If, in the Company's judgment exercised without unreasonable preference, curtailment or interruption of service to some but not all of the Company's Customers is warranted by the circumstances, the Company shall select Customers to be curtailed or interrupted. The Company shall have no liability for any reason whatsoever resulting from any curtailment or interruption made pursuant to this paragraph. Any curtailment or interruption of service to the Customer will not relieve the Customer's obligations to the Company. Upon request from any Customer, the Company shall make reasonable effort to provide notice to such Customer of a projected curtailment or interruption in service, in the event the Company has advance notice of curtailment or interruption of such Customer's service. However, the Company shall have no liability to the Customer or to any third party for the Company's failure to give such notice, or for erroneously or mistakenly giving such notice.

Upon such notice as is reasonable under the circumstances, the Company may temporarily discontinue electric service when necessary to make repairs, replacements, or changes in the Company's equipment or facilities. If practicable Customers will be notified in advance of any work which will result in an interruption of service.

If a condition appears to be hazardous to the Customer, to other Customers, to the Company's equipment, or to the public, the Company may disconnect, suspend, delay, and/or discontinue service to any Customer.



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## Section 3.05 CONTINUITY OF SERVICE

The Company will make all reasonable efforts to provide continuous electric service, but will not guarantee an undisturbed supply of electric service and the Company will not be liable for any losses, damages, or expenses (including, but not limited to, injury to persons, including death, or property damages) incurred by persons for any delay, curtailment, suspension, disturbance or variability in its provision of electric service (including, but not limited to, any occurrence of voltage fluctuations or power surges) due to acts of God, or to any other cause except the Company's own gross negligence or willful misconduct. The Company will not be liable for incidental or consequential damages, including, but not limited to, loss of profits resulting from the use of service or any delay, interruption, curtailment, suspension, disturbance or variability of electric service. When interruptions occur, the Company will reestablish service with the shortest possible delay consistent with the safety of Customers, employees and the general public.

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## METERING & BILLING

### Section 4.01 METER AND SERVICE INSTALLATIONS

The Company will furnish, install and maintain one set of metering equipment for each account and rate schedule under which a metered service is supplied.

Unless required by other applicable codes, inspections of the line-side wiring in the Meter socket and current transformer cabinet (CT cabinet) are the responsibility of the Company. The Customer retains inspection authority of Customer-side connections to ensure compliance with National Electric Code requirements. Once inspections are completed and the wiring approved by the Company, the Meter socket and CT cabinets will be secured with Company seals. The Company will not connect electric service to the Customer until all necessary permits from the proper authorities are obtained by the Customer. Service may be denied to any Customer for failure to comply with the applicable requirements of these General Rules and Regulations, or with other service requirements of the Company contained in an agreement with the Customer for the services, or on file with any regulatory body having jurisdiction.

#### **METER INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS:**

Customer-furnished Meter sockets: Service entrance sizes up to and including 400 amps single-phase and three-phase will be metered by the use of Self-Contained Meters. Meter sockets for Self-Contained metering are furnished, installed, and wired by the Customer or the Customer's electrical contractor. The Company will install and wire a load management receiver, if applicable, and the Customer or the Customer's contractor will make the remaining connections in the Meter socket. The Company will make the connections to the Customer's conductors at the top of the mast for overhead service, and at the Company source for underground service.

Company-furnished Meter sockets: If the service entrance requirements exceed 400 amp single-phase or three-phase, the Company will furnish the pre-wired Meter socket and enclosure, including current transformers, conduit, and other equipment necessary to Meter the service. The Customer's contractor will install the equipment. These Meters will be mounted next to the Customer-provided CT cabinet on a building, pole, or pedestal. However, in all cases, permission to use and the determination of transformer rated metering location must be approved by the Company.



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Customer-furnished CT cabinets: Cabinets used outside any building wall for current transformers (CTs) or required as a junction point between the Company’s service lateral and the Customer’s service entrance conductor are furnished by the Customer or the Customer’s electrical contractor. Unless otherwise provided in the Customer’s service agreement with the Company, the cabinets will serve as the point of common connection between Company-owned facilities and the Customer. Conduit and any additional material required for attachment is furnished by the Customer. The Company will make the service connections at the line side lugs and install the control wires between the CTs and the Meter. The Customer or contractor will install all remaining equipment, including CTs furnished by the Company, and make the connections to the load side lugs.

**METER SOCKET REQUIREMENTS:**

All Meter sockets must be approved and properly labeled by a state-recognized testing lab such as Underwriters Laboratories (UL).

**Profiles and Rating:** The Customer must furnish a Meter socket rated at 200 amps or larger for underground services. In order to allow for proper conductor bending, crossover clearance, and additional slack in the incoming service wires within the socket, the internal dimensions for the socket must be a minimum of 11 inches wide for single-phase service and 13 inches wide for three-phase service. For services where conductors will be installed below ground, conduit of adequate size must be installed on the Meter socket and extend a minimum of 12 inches below grade level. Due to limited space for conductors, round Meter sockets will no longer be permitted on new installations or as replacements on existing installations. The Company reserves the right to require that a round socket be replaced at Customer’s expense before any work is done by the Company.

**CURRENT TRANSFORMER CABINET REQUIREMENTS:**

The Customer or the Customer’s electrical contractor will size and furnish the cabinet to be used as a point of common connection between the Company’s service and the Customer’s service point. The cabinet will be mounted outdoors in a location readily accessible to Company personnel. The Customer will provide any materials required for installation. The Contractor shall contact Company personnel to discuss details prior to ordering a current transformer cabinet.





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Minimum specifications:

- Cabinet must be UL (or other state-recognized testing lab) approved and meet all applicable codes and ratings for its intended use
- Cabinet must be complete with landing pads for cable terminations and for mounting of bar-type current transformers
- Cabinet must be equipped with a hinged door, and with provisions for locking and sealing with Meter seals
- Minimum depth of the cabinet must be 10 inches

The overall dimensions will vary with the required ampacity rating as stipulated in the National Electric Code.



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## Section 4.02 METER READINGS

Readings of all Meters used for determining charges to Customers are made each month. The term “month” for Meter reading and billing purposes is the period between successive Meter reading dates, which is as nearly as practicable to 30-day intervals. When the Company is unable to gain access to a Meter, it shall leave a Meter-reading form for the Customer to complete and provide to the Company. The Company may use Customer-supplied Meter readings to render bills, provided a Company representative reads the Meter at least once each 12 months, and when there is a change in occupancy of the premises. The Company may move the Meter to a self-read status when necessary.

**SELF-READ CUSTOMERS:** Customers designated as self-read Meter accounts shall, upon request of the Company, report the reading of their Meter monthly online, or on forms provided by the Company. At a minimum, the Company will verify Meter readings of self-read Meter accounts at least once within a 12-month period.



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### Section 4.03 ESTIMATED READINGS

Pursuant to South Dakota Administrative Rules 20:10:17:11, when access to a Meter cannot be gained and the Customer fails to supply a Meter-reading form in time for the billing operation, an estimated bill may be rendered by the Company. When necessary, the Company may render estimated bills without reading Meters or supplying Meter-reading forms to Customers.

Estimated bills are based on the Customer’s normal consumption for a corresponding period during the preceding year, or average consumption during the three preceding months, or any other method authorized by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission. Only in unusual cases (such as inability to gain access to the Meter, failure of Customer to supply Meter readings, or bad weather) or when approval is obtained from the Customer shall more than three consecutive estimated bills be rendered.

If an estimated bill appears to be abnormal when a subsequent reading is obtained, the bill for the entire period is computed at a rate which contemplates the use of service during the entire period and the estimated bill is deducted. If there is reasonable evidence that the use occurred during only one billing period, the bill shall be so computed.

For Meters located where the Company has no resident service representative, or the resident service representative is unavailable, the Customer will have the option to choose to have final readings based on an estimate at the time the Customer requests that service be discontinued or an actual reading taken on the next available business day that the service representative can take a final meter reading. Estimates will be made on the basis of previous average usage. All estimated readings are clearly marked as such.



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### Section 4.04 METER TESTING AND METER FAILURE

The Company will maintain and test its metering equipment in accordance with the Rules of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission. If the Company’s test shows a Meter to have an average error of two percent (2%) or more, either fast or slow, a proper correction shall be made. In accordance with South Dakota Administrative Rule 20:10:17:06 and this section, if the period of the error is unknown, a billing adjustment will be applied to lesser period of (a) one-half the time elapsed since the last testing of the Meter, or (b) six months. If it can be established that the error was due to some cause, the date of which can be fixed with reasonable certainty, a billing adjustment shall be made from that date. The average error of a Meter shall be defined as one fifth the algebraic sum of (1) one times the error at light load, and (2) four times the error at a heavy load. Only the Customer served by the Meter at the time of testing is eligible for a refund.

The Customer shall be advised of metering equipment failure, and of the basis for the estimated bill.

In accordance with South Dakota Administrative Rule 20:10:17:08 and this Section, if a Meter is found not to register or to register intermittently for any period, the Company may charge for an estimated amount of electricity used. The estimate shall be calculated by averaging the energy usage registered over corresponding periods in previous years. In the absence of such information, similar periods of known accurate measurement preceding or subsequent to the period in question shall be used.

The Customer may request the Company to test the Meter. If the request to test a Meter is made within one year of a previous test, a charge will be added to the Customer’s bill if the metering equipment tests accurate (Meter error is plus or minus less than two percent). The charges will be as follows:

Single-Phase or Residential Customer Meter	\$10.00
Single-Phase Demand or Self-contained Three-phase Meter	\$20.00
All Other Three-phase Meters	\$30.00



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## **Section 4.05 ACCESS TO CUSTOMER PREMISES**

Company representatives, when properly identified, shall have access to the Customer's premises at reasonable times for the purpose of reading Meters, making repairs, making inspections, removing the Company's property or for any other purpose incident to the service.

The Company shall have the right and be allowed access to remove its electric lines, related equipment, metering equipment, and other appliances and fixtures from the Customer's premises as part of its normal course of business.

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## **Section 4.06 ESTABLISHING DEMANDS**

Demands are established as provided in the applicable rate schedule. In the absence of a Demand Meter recording installed at the Customer's premises, the Demand may be periodically established by measurement with a portable Meter.



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## **Section 4.07 MONTHLY BILLING PERIOD AND PRORATED BILLS**

The Company will attempt to read meters as nearly as practicable to every 30 days. A period from 25 to 35 days inclusive is considered a normal Billing Period due to the normal variation of scheduled Meter reading dates. The Meter reading date may be advanced or postponed not more than five days without adjustment of the billing for the period. Bills will be prorated on a daily basis for a period of less than one normal Billing Period when service is begun or terminated between the regular Meter reading dates. Proration on a daily basis also applies when the period between Meter readings is more than one normal Billing Period. The proration shall apply to the Customer Charge, Energy Charge, Demand Charge and Facilities Charge components of the rate.

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**Section 4.08 ELECTRIC SERVICE STATEMENT - IDENTIFICATION OF AMOUNTS AND METER READING**

Each amount on the electric service statement will be identified by a descriptive reference to the rate schedule under which the amount is computed, or other explanation, on the same line with the amount. In addition, the Company will collect from the Customer, and the service statement will itemize, any sales, use, excise, or other taxes and fees that apply to the service provided. If codes are used to identify a prorated bill, a cancelled bill, an estimated reading, a Meter exchange, or other pertinent data, an explanation of each code will be shown on the portion of the face of the bill that the Customer retains. Estimated bills and prorated bills will be marked distinctly as such.

If a Municipality collects or receives any payment or payments from the Company for or by reason of using the Municipality’s streets, alleys and public places, or for or by reason of operating the utility business or any portion or phase thereof in the Municipality, bills for electric service in that Municipality will be increased by an aggregate amount approximating the amounts of such payment or payments during the period or periods in which any such payment or payments are collected or received. Accordingly, statements rendered under the several rate schedules in effect in that Municipality will be increased by the applicable proportionate part of any such payment or payments. This applies whether these payments are called taxes, assessments, license fees, percentages of earnings or revenues, lump sum payments, or otherwise, or whether such payments are made under the provisions of any ordinance, resolution, franchise, permit, or otherwise

In addition to the above rates and payments, rate schedules for certain tariffs or services may be billed and identified on electric service statements.





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## SECTION 4.09 BILLING ADJUSTMENTS

### General:

If a Meter or billing error results from (1) an incorrect reading of the Meter; (2) an incorrect application of a rate schedule; (3) an incorrect connection of the Meter; (4) an application of an incorrect multiplier or constant; or (5) other similar errors affecting billings as described in South Dakota Administrative Rules 20:10:17:09, the Company shall recalculate the Customer's bill consistent with the South Dakota Administrative Rules, these General Rules and Regulations, and the Company's applicable rate schedule(s).

### Underbilled:

If a Customer is under-billed, the Company may recalculate the bills and reissue corrected bills for service during the period of the error, up to a maximum period of one year from the date of discovery, unless the date the error occurred can be fixed with reasonable certainty, in which case the adjustment shall be computed from that date.

### Overbilled:

If a Customer is over billed, the Company shall recalculate bills for errors resulting in over-charges up to a maximum of one year from the date of discovery, unless the date the error occurred can be fixed with reasonable certainty, in which case the adjustment shall be computed from that date.

### Billing Format:

The first bill rendered after a recalculation of charges is to be separated from the regular bill and the charges explained in detail.



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## Section 4.10 PAYMENT POLICY

The payment period shall not be less than 20 days and a late payment charge will not be imposed if payment is made prior to the next regular scheduled billing date. The next billing date is typically not less than 25 days from the current billing date, with the exception of a prorated bill. The billing date is no more than three working days before the date of the Company's mailing of a bill.

Customers with at least 12 on-time, consecutive payments of regular bills prior to a delinquency will may not be billed a late payment charge, and a notice of late payment charges will not appear on the billing statements of such Customers.

If a Customer has been delinquent more than once during the prior 12 consecutive months, a late payment charge will apply on any delinquent account with an unpaid balance that is \$5.00 or more.

The late payment charge per monthly Billing Period is (a) 1.5% per month (18% per year), plus a \$2.00 collection charge. For a Customer who has been delinquent once or more during the prior 12 consecutive months, a notice of possible late payment charge will be stated on the Customer's next bill, and if payment is then delinquent, this late payment charge will be assessed during the Customer's next Billing Period and appear on the Customer's bill. All payments received are credited against the Customer's oldest outstanding account balance before the application of any late payment charge.

The delinquent amount for accounts on the Even Monthly Payment (EMP) plan as described in Section 4.11 of these General Rules and Regulations, or payment schedules, will be the outstanding account balance (less allowance for EMP credits) or the outstanding scheduled payments, whichever is greater.

A \$15.00 charge will be assessed due to payments not honored by the Customer's financial institution.

A Customer payment that has been dishonored twice by the issuing financial institution will be considered nonpayment of the Customer's utility bill.



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## Section 4.11 EVEN MONTHLY PAYMENT (EMP) PLAN

Customers, at their request, may be billed under the Company's Even Monthly Payment (EMP) plan. EMP provides for 11 equal monthly payments based on the Customer's previous use at the premises when available, or an estimate of use for those premises based on previous usage at the premise. Monthly billings will show the difference between the actual amount owed under normal billing and the amount that has been paid under Even Monthly Payment.

Billing for the twelfth month of EMP program participation will reflect the actual billing for that month adjusted for the EMP credit or debit balance carried forward from the previous month. The maximum amount billed on the twelfth month is the larger of 125% of the old EMP amount or the old EMP amount plus \$5.00. If the amount due exceeds these limits, the old EMP amount will be billed and the excess will be spread over the next 12 months. The Company shall pay interest monthly on any accrued EMP credit balance using a two-week average of the six-month Certificate of Deposit rate offered the second and third weeks of June (effective July 1) and December (effective January 1) by the US Bank.

The Company will review the account usage and EMP payment balances every four months during the year to ascertain the reasonableness of the budget amount under current rates or conditions of use of service, and the monthly payment will be adjusted accordingly.

Customers may end participation in the EMP plan at any time by providing the Company with reasonable prior notice. If the Customer incurs late charges as permitted in Section 4.10 of these General Rules and Regulations, or if the Customer's account is more than 60 days past due, the Company may remove the Customer's account from the EMP plan and the full balance of the account will become due.



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### Section 4.12 SUMMARY BILLING SERVICES

Under the Company’s Summary Billing Services, the Customer’s multiple monthly bills will be consolidated into a single billing statement each month. Customers need to make only one payment covering the total amount due for all the accounts included in a summary bill. Summary Billing Services is an optional service in which the Customer may choose to participate. Upon Customer’s request, the Customer and the Company will enter into a contract for Summary Billing Services with a 45-day cancellation provision that applies to both parties.

The Company will work with Customers in choosing a monthly master billing date for a summary bill, but reserves the final decision-making authority.

The Company may, at its sole discretion, limit the number of accounts included in any one summary bill, and exclude accounts based on rate class or type, amount of bill, account arrearages, billing cycle, or participation in other programs. Participation in other Company programs, such as Even Monthly Payment, Ready Check, and ePay, may restrict accounts from inclusion in summary billing.

Accounts may be combined from more than one bill date resulting in a delay of the bill statement mailing for all accounts until the master billing date is reached. Individual accounts will be read on their normal reading cycle and placed on hold until all accounts are read. Once completed, the Customer will be billed based on the total accumulation of the sub accounts, including all Customer Charges, Energy Charges, Demand Charges, Facilities Charges, Fixed Charges, and Monthly Minimum Charges.

Payment policies remain in effect for each Customer participating in Summary Billing Services. Any determination of delinquencies will be based on the new master billing date. If a summary bill falls into arrears, the Company may, at its option, discontinue the Customer’s summary bill, reverting the individual accounts to separate monthly billing.



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## Section 4.13 ACCOUNT HISTORY CHARGE

The Company shall charge \$10.00 for each account history report requested and provided by the Company in excess of 10 account history reports (whether associated with one or more accounts) within a six-month period.



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## **Section 4.14 COMBINED METERING**

Combined Metering is defined as the addition of multiple service or metering points so that the energy and demand is registered on one Meter. This results in coincident demand for these loads, thus treating it as one larger load for billing one rate. To qualify for Combined Metering a Customer must be served at a premises consisting of contiguous property with the same occupant and each service entrance to be combined must have a minimum entrance rating of 750 kVa (750 kVa entrance at various voltages which is equivalent to: 900 amps @ 277/480; 1800 amps @ 120/240 delta; 2100 amps @ 120/208 wye). Combined Metering can be accomplished with hardware or software totalizers or by installing primary metering. The Company will, in its sole discretion, reasonably determine whether to use primary metering or totalizing for any particular Customer that qualifies for Combined Metering.



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## STANDARD INSTALLATION AND EXTENSION RULES

### SECTION 5.01 EXTENSION RULES AND MINIMUM REVENUE GUARANTEE

The Company will, at its own expense, extend, enlarge, or change its Distribution or other facilities for supplying electric service when the anticipated revenue from the sale of additional service at the location justifies the expenditure. If it reasonably appears to the Company that the expenditure may not be justified based on a three-year projection of revenue received from the Customer's applicable rate(s) (not including any such amounts expected to be recovered through the Fuel Adjustment Clause Rider, but including any base costs of energy included in the Customer's rate(s)), the Company may require the Customer to sign an Electric Service Agreement guaranteeing a minimum payment of not less than three years use of electric service, or to require the Customer to pay in advance if the Company has reason to question whether the Customer will maintain adequate creditworthiness over the period or for any other reason may fail to make payments for service over the period.

The Company shall provide to the Customer an estimate with detail of the costs prior to construction.

If at the point of true-up at the end of the initial contracted period of service, the Customer uses and pays for more than the specified guaranteed minimum amount of electric service which the Customer contracted to purchase (not including any amounts paid pursuant to the Fuel Adjustment Clause Rider, but including any amounts paid for the base costs of energy included in the Customer's rate(s)), any advance that may have been made in excess of the guaranteed minimum amount will be refunded to the Customer together with interest at the rate provided for Customer deposits under South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Administrative Rule 20:10:19:08. However, if the Customer uses less than the guaranteed minimum, the amount of the deficiency will be billed to the Customer, and/or will be deducted from the Customer's advance payment, and the balance of the advance payment, if any, will be refunded to the Customer with interest on the balance.



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## Section 5.02 SPECIAL FACILITIES

For the purposes of Section 5.02, the following definitions apply:

"Distribution Facilities" are defined as all primary and secondary voltage wires, poles, insulators, transformers, fixtures, cables, trenches, and other associated accessories and equipment, including substation equipment, rated below 41.6 kV, whose express function and purpose is for the Distribution of electrical power from the Company's Distribution substation directly to Customers. Distribution Facilities exclude all facilities used primarily for the purpose of transferring electricity from a Generator to a substation and/or from one substation to another substation. As such, Distribution Facilities serve only Customers on the primary and secondary rates of the Company.

"Transmission Facilities" are defined as all poles, towers, wires, insulators, transformers, fixtures, cables, and other associated structures, accessories and equipment, including substation equipment, rated equal to or greater than 41.6 kV, whose express function and purpose is the transmission of electricity from a Generator to a substation or substations, and from one substation to another.

"Standard Facilities" are those facilities whose design or location constitutes the reasonable and prudent, least-cost alternative that is consistent with the existing electric system configuration, will meet the needs of the Company's Customers, and will maintain system Reliability and performance under the circumstances. In determining the design or location of a "Standard Facility," the Company shall use good utility practices and evaluate all of the circumstances surrounding the proposal, including 1) public and employee safety in the installation, operation and maintenance of the facility; 2) compliance with applicable engineering standards, codes, electric utility norms and standards; 3) electric system Reliability requirements; 4) the presence, age, condition and configuration of existing facilities in the affected area; 5) the presence and size of existing right-of-way in the affected area; 6) existing topography, soil, spacing, and any environmental limitations in the specific area; 7) existing and reasonably projected development in the affected area; 8) installation, maintenance, useful life and replacement cost factors; and 9) other relevant factors under the particular circumstances.

"Special Facilities" are non-Standard Facilities or the non-standard design or location of facilities. Common examples of Special Facilities include duplicate service facilities, special switching equipment, special service voltage, three-phase service where single-phase service is determined by the Company to be adequate, excess Capacity, Capacity for intermittent equipment, trailer park Distribution systems, underground installations, conversion from overhead to underground service, specific area or other special undergrounding, and location and relocation or replacement of existing Company facilities. Payments required will be made on a nonrefundable basis and may be required in advance of construction unless other arrangements





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are agreed to in writing with the Company. The facilities installed by the Company are the property of the Company. Any payment by a requesting or ordering party will not change the Company's ownership interest or rights. Payment for Special Facilities may be required by either, or a combination, of the following methods as prescribed by the Company: a single charge for the costs incurred or to be incurred by the Company due to such a special installation, or a monthly charge being one-twelfth of the Company's annual fixed costs necessary to provide such special installation. The monthly charge will be discontinued if the Special Facilities are removed or if the requester eventually qualifies for the originally requested Special Facilities as Standard Facilities.

"Excess Expenditure" is defined as the total reasonable incremental cost above that of Standard Facilities, for construction of Special Facilities, including: the value of the un-depreciated life of existing facilities being removed and removal costs less salvage; the fully allocated incremental labor costs for design, surveying, engineering, construction, administration, operations or any other activity associated with the project; the incremental easement or other land costs incurred by the Company; the incremental costs of immediately required changes to associated electric facilities, including backup facilities, to ensure Reliability, structural integrity and operational integrity of the electric system; the incremental taxes associated with requested or ordered Special Facilities; the incremental cost represented by accelerated replacement cost if the Special Facility has a materially shorter life expectancy than the standard installation; the incremental material cost for all items associated with the construction, less salvage value of removed facilities; and any other prudent costs incurred by the Company directly related to the applicable Special Facilities.

When the Company is requested by a Customer, group of Customers, developer, City, or Municipality to provide types of service that result in expenditure in excess of Company designated Standard Facility installation, the requesting Customer, group of Customers, developer, City, or Municipality is responsible for the Excess Expenditure, unless otherwise required by applicable law, rule or regulation.

When requested, the Company will evaluate the circumstances and determine the Standard Facilities that would be appropriate to the particular situation and determine what, if any, Excess Expenditures are associated with a Customer request or Customer requirement for Special Facilities.

Subject to the requirements of applicable laws, rules and regulations, and subject to the Company's previously scheduled or emergency work, the Company will initially install Special Facilities (including, but not limited to, lighting facilities other than those described in a rate rider), or will replace, modify or relocate to a Company-approved location or route its existing Distribution Facilities or Transmission Facilities (a) upon the request of a Customer, a group of Customers, developer, or upon request or lawful order of a City or Municipality if the Company



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determines the requested or ordered Special Facilities will not adversely affect the Reliability, structural integrity, ability to efficiently expand Capacity or operational integrity of the Company's Distribution Facilities or Transmission Facilities; and (b) the requesting or ordering Customer, group of Customers, developer, City, or Municipality arranges for payment of the Excess Expenditures, or a requesting or ordering City elects that the Excess Expenditures for undergrounding of Distribution Facilities be recovered by surcharge.

*Special Facilities in Public Right-Of-Way*

Whenever a Municipality as a governing body of public right-of-way orders or requests the Company to replace, modify or relocate its existing Distribution Facilities or Transmission Facilities located by permit in the public right-of-way to the extent necessary to avoid interference with construction on the public right-of-way, such facilities will be replaced, modified or relocated at the Company's expense, provided the construction is the Standard Facilities installation designated by the Company.

If the Municipality requests or orders a facility other than the Standard Facilities, the Company will provide the Municipality notification of the Excess Expenditures to be incurred for Special Facilities, compared to Standard Facilities. If the Municipality requests or orders a type of construction with costs in excess of Company designated Standard Facilities construction, the Company shall be entitled to recovery of the Excess Expenditures as provided in this Section.

Except in emergencies, the Company has no obligation to commence initial construction of new Special Facilities, or to commence construction for replacement, modification, reconstruction or relocation of existing facilities, until the Company receives a permit, or other written authorization from the Municipality (or its designee) having jurisdiction over use of the applicable public right-of-way, authorizing the construction at a Company-approved reasonable location within the public right-of-way or at a location established by lawful order of the Municipality.

The Company reserves the right to require an order from a City or Municipality if the Company determines the requested Special Facilities constitute an improvement primarily for the benefit of a landowner or other group and only an incidental benefit to public use of the right-of-way. The Company also reserves the right to challenge the lawfulness of a Municipality's order.

*Underground Facilities Requirements*

The following provisions apply when replacing overhead facilities with underground facilities:

When required, the Customer at Customer's expense must engage an electrician to adapt

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the Customer's electrical facilities to accept service from the Company underground facilities.

The Company will allow reasonable time for the Customer to make the necessary alterations to the facilities before removal of the existing overhead facilities. The Customer, group of Customers, developer or Municipality must provide the Company reasonable notice of the undergrounding request so Company may efficiently plan and install such facilities.

Perpetual easements will be granted to the Company at no cost to the Company whenever any portion of the underground Distribution system is located on private land. These easements also will grant the Company access for inspection, maintenance, and repair of Company facilities.

The Company must receive, by franchise or permit, full access to its facilities installed underground for the purpose of inspection, maintenance, and repair of such facilities, such right of access to include the right to open public ways.

A Municipality will give sufficient notice and will allow the Company sufficient time to place its facilities beneath public ways while the same are torn up for resurfacing. A Municipality shall provide the Company with access to the torn up public ways during such period so that the Company will have unobstructed use of sufficiently large sections of the public ways to allow installation of the underground facilities in an economic manner.

The Customer shall install, own and maintain the necessary conduits and Secondary Service conductors to a point of common connection designated by the Company for secondary voltage service supplied from an underground Distribution lateral. A point of common connection can be the secondary compartment of the transformer, a current transformer cabinet, a self-contained meter socket, or other type of Company-approved junction box. The Company will make final connection of the Customer's Secondary Service conductors to the Company's facilities.

Secondary voltage service supplied from underground secondary service conductors requires that the Customer install, own, or maintain necessary conduits on private property to a point designated by the Company. Secondary service conductors usually will be installed by the Customer in the Customer's conduit, however, in some installations it may be preferred to have the Company provide a continuous installation from Company facilities through the Customer conduit to the Customer's service equipment. In these installations the Customer must pay the total installed cost of the Company's cable installed on private property. The Company will make the final connection of the Customer's secondary service conductors to the Company's facilities.



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*Special Facilities Payments*

Where the requesting or ordering Customer is required to prepay or agrees to prepay or arrange payment for Special Facilities, the requesting or ordering Customer shall execute an agreement or service form pertaining to the installation, operation and maintenance, and payment for the Special Facilities.



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## Section 5.03 TEMPORARY SERVICES

Pursuant to South Dakota Administrative Rules 20:10:18:01, the Company may require the Customer to make an advance deposit sufficient to cover the estimated costs of installing and removing temporary service. Customers taking temporary service shall pay the regular rates applicable to the class or classes of service rendered. In addition, the Company may require the Customer to pay the installation and removal cost, less salvage value, of facilities installed by the Company to furnish temporary service to the Customer. If service is taken for less than one normal Billing Period, the Customer's bill will not be prorated. Such Customer is billed as though service had been taken for an entire month.

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## Section 5.04 STANDARD INSTALLATION

### Service at Secondary and Primary Voltage

The Company provides voltage at the following levels.

Secondary voltage service is defined as single- or three- phase alternating current from 120 volts up to, but not including, 12,470 volts where the substation and distribution systems are provided by the Company.

Primary voltage service is defined as single or three-phase alternating current supplied at the same voltage as the low side of the local substation which may include voltages from 2,400 volts up to, but not including, 41,600 volts where the substation transformer is provided by the Company and the distribution transformers and distribution primary systems, if any, are provided by the Customer.

Transmission voltage is defined as three-phase alternating current at 41,600 volts or higher where any substation and distribution primary systems are provided by the Customer.

The Company will provide service to the Customer at any specific standard voltage that is available in the local service area. The Company will supply the Customers with a list of the available voltages at which the Customer may take service from the Company.

Customer will be metered at the lowest utilization voltage as determined by the Company and then adjusted to compensate for transformer losses so as to be the equivalent of metering at the service delivery voltage

The Company will install, own, and maintain on an individual project basis the Distribution Facilities necessary to provide permanent service. The Customer will be required to pay, in addition to the applicable rate, a one-time charge of the following amounts, if applicable, to the Company:

#### *Service Installation*

The Company will extend, on private property, to a Company-designated service location, a Distribution lateral, the total cost of which must not exceed a three-year projection of revenue received from the Customer's applicable rate(s) (not including any such amounts expected to be recovered through the Fuel Adjustment Clause Rider, but including any base costs of energy included in the Customer's rate(s)). When the cost of the necessary extension exceeds this limit, the Customer will be charged in accordance with the Company's extension rules identified in this Section 5.01.



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### *Winter Construction*

When underground facilities are installed, such work will be subject to a winter construction charge when winter conditions exist where snow removal or plowing is required to install service, or burners must be set at the underground facilities in order to install service for the entire length of the underground service. Winter construction will not be undertaken by the Company where prohibited by law or where it is not practical to install underground facilities during the Winter Season. The Company reserves the right to charge Customers for any unusual winter construction expenses. All winter construction charges are non-refundable and are in addition to any normal construction charges. The Company will determine payment requirements based on actual costs.

### **Service at Transmission Voltage**

Transmission voltage service is defined as three-phase alternating current at 41,600 volts or higher. The availability of service at transmission voltage will be determined by the Company when requested by the Customer. The service voltage available will vary depending on the voltage in the vicinity of the Customer's service location. Customers electing Transmission Service for any portion of the service will be considered a Transmission Service Customer. The Customer will own the substation and other Distribution Facilities, along with any additional investments, at the Customer's location whether secondary, primary, or transmission voltage.

Transmission voltage service will be provided under the following conditions:

1. Such service does not adversely affect the Reliability of the rest of the system or cause an undue expense on other Customers.
2. Customer will be metered at the lowest utilization voltage as determined by the Company and then adjusted to compensate for transformer losses so as to be the equivalent of metering at the service delivery voltage.



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### Section 5.05 SERVICE CONNECTION

The Customer, without cost to the Company, grants the Company and its successors and assigns a perpetual easement and right-of-way on, over, across and under the Customer’s property for the installation, operation, maintenance, repair, extension and removal of equipment necessary to provide electric service, such as overhead or underground Transmission and Distribution lines, service conductors and other equipment, and necessary fixtures and all other devices in connection therewith; together with the right to permit the attachment of other wires to the poles or in a common trench for purposes of telecommunications or cable communication systems.

The Customer further grants the Company and its successors and assigns the right and perpetual easement to place, position and locate the butts of the main poles, pole structures or underground wires over, across or under the Customer’s property in such manner and location as the Company and the Customer may mutually agree. The Company shall have the right of ingress and egress at all reasonable times for the purpose of the perpetual rights and easements granted, and shall have the right to cut down and trim trees and vegetation as reasonably necessary to keep the wires of the Company’s electric lines clear, so as to be maintained in accordance with the Company’s standards of construction and maintenance. The Customer agrees to provide, without cost to the Company, such other rights of way or permits (including railroad permits), as may be necessary to provide electric service.

The Customer will also provide and maintain on its property, at a location satisfactory to the Company, proper space for the Company’s transformers, metering equipment, and other equipment. The Customer will ensure the safekeeping of the Company’s Meters and other facilities and reimburse the Company for the cost of any alternations to the Company’s lines, Meters, or other facilities requested by the Customer and for any loss or damage to the Company’s property located on the premises, except when such loss or damage is beyond the reasonable control of the Customer.

Where the Customer has blocked or restricted access to Company facilities through plantings, construction, pavement, or other object(s), all costs of obtaining access for maintenance, repairs or replacement of the facilities, whether underground or overhead, together with all costs of site restoration including, but not limited to, trenching, tree removal, earth removal, reconstruction or repaving, are the responsibility of the Customer.

If the Company is required to change the service lines or its equipment used to provide electric service to the Customer for any reason other than normal maintenance or inadequate Capacity, the Customer shall pay all costs connected with the change.

Where the Customer requests electric service and service is provided by means of an underground service lateral, owned and installed by the Company, the Customer shall, except for





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backfilling, assume, at its own expense, the necessary land restoration, including, but not limited to, yard maintenance, grass planting, and trench leveling.

Except as may be agreed in writing, title and ownership of all lines, extensions and equipment furnished by the Company shall be and remain in the Company, and may not be owned by nor become a part of the property of the Customer. The service conductors as installed by the Company from the Distribution line to the point of connection with the Customer's service entrance conductors will be the Company's property and will be maintained by the Company at its own expense. The Customer will allow the Company access to the service conductors to perform maintenance.

In the event of the failure of the Customer to make payment for service provided by the Company and service is disconnected, as permitted by these General Rules and Regulations in Section 3.01, the Company may remove any and all equipment, extensions of lines and other property installed by the Company on the Customer's property.

Transformers, service conductors, Meters, and other equipment used in furnishing electric service to a Customer have a definite Capacity. Therefore, the Customer shall make no material increase in load or equipment without first making arrangements with the Company for the additional electric supply.



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## USE OF SERVICE RULES

### Section 6.01 CUSTOMER EQUIPMENT

The Company may require that the Customer make changes to the Customer's system at the Customer's expense, or pay the costs of Company's installation of non-standard Distribution Facilities, where the Company reasonably determines that such changes or non-standard installations are necessary to correct operating characteristics of the Customer's equipment or system(s) that interfere with satisfactory service to other Customers of the Company.

The Customer is notified in writing (or by verbal notice followed by a written notification) when equipment that the Customer is using or the Customer's system(s) interferes with or adversely affects the quality of service for other Company Customers. Following the notice, the Customer will be afforded reasonable opportunity to make suitable changes to the equipment or system(s), or to provide additional equipment, at Customer's expense, to eliminate or prevent these adverse effects.

In the event the Customer fails to make the necessary changes and other Company Customers continue to be adversely affected by the operating characteristics of the Customer's equipment or system(s), the Company reserves the right to (a) require that a portion of the Customer's load be served through a separate service and Meter with separate billing; (b) refuse to serve problem loads; (c) discontinue service to existing loads; and/or (d) install non-standard Distribution Facilities and charge the Customer for the Excess Expenditure as provided for Special Facilities in Section 5.02 of these General Rules and Regulations.



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## Section 6.02 USE OF SERVICE; PROHIBITION ON RESALE

Electric service may be used only for the purpose set forth in the respective rate schedules. Except as allowed in specific tariffs or rate schedules, electric service is furnished for the use of the Customer only, and the Customer may not resell it.

The Customer may not use or enable third parties to use electric service furnished by the Company to facilitate sales of electricity, whether such electricity has been generated by the Company, Customer or a third party. By way of example but not in limitation, this restriction prohibits Customers from consuming the Company's retail electric service in any way that would allow Customers or any third party to sell electricity (whether Company provided, Customer-generated or third party-generated) for the purpose of profiting from arbitrage between the rate paid by the Customer to the Company and the price received by the Customer or third party from the sale of electricity.



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## COMPANY'S RIGHTS

### Section 7.01 WAIVER OF RIGHTS OR DEFAULT

No delay by the Company in enforcing any of its rights shall be deemed a waiver of its rights, nor is a waiver by the Company of one of the Customer's defaults deemed a waiver of any other or subsequent defaults.



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## Section 7.02 MODIFICATION OF RATES, RULES AND REGULATIONS

Company reserves the right to modify any of its rates, rules, and regulations or other provisions now or hereafter in effect, in any manner permitted by law. Customers are provided with notice of any such modification as required by South Dakota Laws and South Dakota Administrative Rules.

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## GLOSSARY AND SYMBOLS

### Section 8.01 GLOSSARY

#### Glossary of terms used in tariffs and riders

**Billing Demand** – A charge applied to an Energy Customer for Capacity reserved or made available explicitly for that Customer. Customer's Demand as used by Company for billing purposes. Billing Demand is calculated and specified in applicable tariffs.

**Billing Period** – A timeframe of 25 to 35 days inclusive, used in the billing calculation.

**Capacity** – The maximum amount of power, normally expressed in Kilowatts (kW) or megawatts (MW), that a given system or subsystem can carry or produce at a particular moment.

**Commercial** - A business consumer of Energy.

**Commission** – The regulating entity in the state government that oversees the operations of investor-owned utilities. (See South Dakota Public Service Commission).

**Company** - Otter Tail Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, or the Utility, a regulated power company providing electricity to Customers in Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota.

**Control Criteria** - The terms and guidelines governing the supply of electricity to non-firm electric loads.

**CT Metering** - A watt-hour meter that is used with current transformers. The current transformer reduces the primary current to a secondary current applied to the meter in a known proportion. Used when the current exceeds 400 amperes.

**Customer Charge** – Part of the monthly basic Distribution charge to partially cover costs for billing, Meter reading, equipment, service line maintenance and equipment. This charge is the same no matter how much electricity is used.

**Demand** – The rate at which electric Energy is delivered to or by a system, part of a system, or piece of equipment and is expressed in Kilowatts (kW) or megawatts (MW).

**Demand Interval** – The specified interval of time on which a demand measurement is based.

**Distribution** - The local wires, transformers, substations and other equipment used to deliver electricity from the high-voltage transmission lines to low voltage Distribution lines and to end-use consumers.



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**Distribution Facilities** - Company facilities as defined in Section 5.02 of these General Rules and Regulations.

**Energy** – Customer’s electric consumption requirement measured in Kilowatt-hours (kWh)

**Energy Charge** – The amount on Customer billings reflecting the actual Energy used over the billing period.

**Excess Expenditure** – Certain costs incurred by Company in the construction of Special Facilities, as defined in Section 5.02 of these General Rules and Regulations.

**Facilities Charge** – An amount to be paid by the Customer in a fixed monthly amount for distribution facilities sized on the basis of the Customer’s design (rather than metered) demand. The charge may include operation and maintenance as capital costs.

**Farm** – A Customer classification where ordinary farming operations of a Commercial scale are conducted from which Customer derives income.

**Generator** – A general name given to a machine for transforming mechanical Energy into electrical Energy.

**Kilovolt (kV)** – A unit of pressure equal to one thousand volts.

**Kilowatt (kW)** – A unit of electrical power equal to one thousand watts. Electric power is usually expressed in Kilowatts. A watt = volts times amps times power factor. One watt = 1/746 Horsepower and a Kilowatt = 1,000 watts or 1.34 Horsepower.

**Kilowatt-hour (kWh)** - A Kilowatt-hour is the standard unit of measure for electricity for which most Customers are charged in cents per Kilowatt-Hour. One Kilowatt-Hour is equal to 1,000 watt-hours. The total number of Kilowatt-Hours charged to your bill is determined by your electricity use. For example, if you used a 100-watt light bulb for 10 hours, you would be billed for one Kilowatt-Hour (100-watts x 10 hours = 1,000 watt-hours).

**Meter** – An electric indicating instrument used to measure Kilowatts and or Demand.

**Midwest Independent System Operator (MISO)** – An independent third -party operating in the Midwest states and formed to operate the transmission system in a way that provides fair access for all electricity suppliers. The ISO maintains instantaneous balance of the Grid system by controlling the dispatch of flexible plants to ensure that loads match resources available to the system. It is regulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

**Municipality** - A city, town, or other local unit of government with jurisdiction over the use of the public rights of way or other public areas.

**Reactive Demand** - A term used in the calculation of power factor defined as the relationship between the total power (kVa) and the real power (kW) for loads such as motors that require magnetizing current to operate.

**Reliability** – The providing of adequate and dependable generation, Transmission and Distribution service. Electric system



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Reliability has two components -- adequacy and security. Adequacy is the ability of the electric system to supply the aggregate electrical Demand and Energy requirements of Customers at all times, taking into account scheduled and unscheduled outages of system facilities. Security is the ability of the electric system to withstand sudden disturbances such as electric short circuits or unanticipated loss of system facilities.

**Residential** – An Energy consumer consisting of a single private household, but not necessarily a single-family dwelling.

**Self-Contained Metering** – A watthour meter that has sufficient current-carrying capacity to meet the specific demand for which it is designed without the need for a current transformer. Used to measure current up to 400 amperes.

**South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (SDPUC)** – The regulating entity operated by the State of South Dakota that oversees the operations of investor- owned electric utilities such as Otter Tail Power Company.

**Space Conditioning Loads** – Electrical processes used to condition air or water, such as heating, cooling, dehumidifying, or humidifying.

**Special Facilities** - Company provided facilities as defined in Section 5.02 of these General Rules and Regulations.

**Standard Facilities** – Company provided facilities as defined in Section 5.02 of these General Rules and Regulations.

**Summer Season or Summer** – The period of time beginning June 1 and ending September 30.

**System Marginal Energy Price** – Company's hourly system Incremental Energy cost plus applicable losses, transmission, and a profit margin.

**Total Coincident Demand** – The sum of two or more Demands that occur in the same Demand Interval as determined by Company.

**Transmission Facilities** – Company-provided facilities as defined in Section 5.02 of these General Rules and Regulations.

**Transmission Service** – The reservation and transmission of Capacity and Energy on either a firm or non-firm basis.

**Winter Season or Winter** – For the purposes of billing, winter is considered the period of time beginning October 1 and ending May 31. For the purpose of Residential winter disconnections, winter is considered the period of November 1 through March 31.





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## Section 8.02 DEFINITION OF SYMBOLS

The following symbols on rate schedules or rules and regulations shall signify the following revisions:

- (a) "C" shall signify a changed listing, rule, or condition which may affect rates or charges;
- (b) "D" shall signify discontinued material, including any listing, rate, rule, or condition;
- (c) "I" shall signify an increase in the rate;
- (d) "L" shall signify material relocated from or to another part of tariff schedules with no change in text, rate, rule, or condition;
- (e) "N" shall signify new material including a listing, rate, rule, or condition;
- (f) "R" shall signify a reduction in the rate;
- (g) "T" shall signify a change in the wording of text with no change in the rate, rule, or condition.



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**RESIDENTIAL SERVICE**

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Residential Service	70-101

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This schedule is applicable to Residential service as defined in the General Rules and Regulations.

**RATE:**

RESIDENTIAL SERVICE		
Customer Charge per Month:	\$7.00	
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer Charge	
Energy Charge per kWh:	Summer	Winter
First 500	9.024 ¢/kWh	8.713 ¢/kWh
Excess	7.799 ¢/kWh	7.596 ¢/kWh

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**DEFINITIONS OF SEASONS:**

Summer: June 1 through September 30.

Winter: October 1 through May 31.

**SEASONAL RESIDENTIAL SERVICE:**

1. These rates and regulations shall apply to seasonal and lake cottage service and to rural residential service only. Resorts, stores, farms and other commercial establishments will be billed at the rates provided for such classes of service.



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2. Seasonal Customers will be billed at the same rate as year-round Customers, except as follows:

Each seasonal Customer will be billed a one-time seasonal fixed charge of \$28.00 in addition to the rate provided above. The fixed charge will be included on the first bill rendered for each season.

Each seasonal Customer will be billed for the number of months each season that the residence or cottage is in use, but not less than a minimum of four months, plus the seasonal fixed charge. The Company normally will read meters and render a bill during the months of June, July, August and September. At the Company's option, meters may be read at other times during the year and a bill will be rendered if energy recorded on the meter exceeds 100 kWh.

Bills may be rendered on a two-month basis at the Company's discretion when the energy used exceeds 100 kWh and more than 55 days have elapsed since the previous meter reading.

Seasonal Customers will be subject to a connection charge of \$40.00 when the account is established.



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**RESIDENTIAL DEMAND CONTROL SERVICE**  
 (Commonly identified as RDC)

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Residential Demand Control	70-241

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This schedule is applicable to Residential Customers with approved demand control systems.

**RATE:**

<b>RESIDENTIAL DEMAND CONTROL SERVICE</b>			
<b>Customer Charge per Month:</b>	\$12.00		
<b>Monthly Minimum Bill:</b>	Customer +Demand Charge		
<b>Energy Charge per kWh:</b>	Summer		Winter
	5.253 ¢/kWh		5.303 ¢/kWh
<b>Demand Charge per kW:</b>	Summer		Winter
	\$4.71 /kW		\$4.31 /kW

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**DEFINITIONS OF SEASONS:**

Summer: June 1 through September 30.  
 Winter: October 1 through May 31.



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**BILLING DEMAND DETERMINATION:** The demand will be determined based on the peak one-hour demand reading recorded during the winter controlled period for the most recent 12 months. An estimated demand of three kW will be used for Customers new to this rate until demand is established.

**DEMAND SIGNAL:** Service may receive a demand signal for up to a total of 14 hours during any 24-hour period, as measured from midnight to midnight. Water heaters served on this tariff will also be included in the Company's summer water heater load control program.



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**FARM SERVICE**

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Farm Service	70-361

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This schedule is applicable to general Farm and home use. The Customer may elect to have the following service offerings in the farm home (for residential uses); Residential Service (Section 9.01) or Residential Demand Control Service Schedule (Section 9.02) if all the requirements specified for the schedules are satisfied.

**RATE:**

FARM SERVICE			
Customer Charge per Month:			\$8.00
Monthly Minimum Bill:		Customer + Facilities Charge	
Facilities Charge per Month:			
Single Phase			\$ 0.00
Three Phase: Overhead <=25kVA			\$ 3.85
Three Phase: Overhead >25kVA			\$ 4.49
Three Phase: Underground <=25kVA			\$10.73
Three Phase: Underground >25kVA			\$17.24
Energy Charge per kWh:		Summer	Winter
First 1600		8.026 ¢/kWh	7.803 ¢/kWh
Excess		7.449 ¢/kWh	7.276 ¢/kWh

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.



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**DEFINITIONS OF SEASONS:**

Summer: June 1 through September 30.

Winter: October 1 through May 31.



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**SMALL GENERAL SERVICE**  
 Under 20 kW

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Metered Service under 20 kW – Secondary Service	70-404
Metered Service under 20 kW – Primary Service	70-405

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This schedule is applicable to three phase Residential Customers, and both single and three phase nonresidential Customers. This schedule is not applicable for energy for resale, nor for municipal outdoor lighting. Emergency and supplementary/standby service will be supplied only as allowed by law.

**RATE:**

	SECONDARY SERVICE		PRIMARY SERVICE	
Customer Charge per Month:	\$12.00		\$12.00	
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer Charge		Customer Charge	
Energy Charge per kWh:	Summer	Winter	Summer	Winter
First 2,000	9.081 ¢/kWh	8.284 ¢/kWh	9.041 ¢/kWh	8.247 ¢/kWh
Excess	7.562 ¢/kWh	6.765 ¢/kWh	7.528 ¢/kWh	6.735 ¢/kWh

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**DEFINITIONS OF SEASONS:**

Summer: June 1 through September 30.  
 Winter: October 1 through May 31.





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**TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** A Customer may remain on the Small General Service schedule as long as the Customer's maximum demand is less than 20 kW. When the Customer achieves an actual demand of 20 kW or greater, the Customer will be placed on the General Service schedule (Section 10.02) in the next billing month.

**DETERMINATION OF DEMAND:** An estimated or metered demand shall be used to establish the applicability of this schedule, at the option of the Company. This demand shall be the maximum kW for the highest 15-minute period during the month for which a bill is rendered.



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**GENERAL SERVICE**  
 20 kW or Greater

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
General Service - Secondary Service	70-401
General Service - Primary Service	70-403

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This schedule is applicable to three phase Residential Customers, and both single and three phase nonresidential Customers, with a measured demand of at least 20 kW within the most recent 12 months. This rate is not applicable for energy for resale, nor for municipal outdoor lighting. Emergency and supplementary/standby service, will be supplied only as allowed by law.

**RATE:**

	SECONDARY SERVICE		PRIMARY SERVICE	
Customer Charge per Month:	\$10.00		\$10.00	
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer + Facilities Charge		Customer + Facilities Charge	
Facilities Charge per Annual Maximum kW per Month:	\$0.52 /kW		\$0.38 /kW	
Energy Charge per kWh:	Summer	Winter	Summer	Winter
	8.090 ¢/kWh	7.380 ¢/kWh	8.054 ¢/kWh	7.344 ¢/kWh

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.



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**DEFINITIONS OF SEASONS:**

Summer: June 1 through September 30.

Winter: October 1 through May 31.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** A Customer with a billing demand of less than 20 kW for 12 consecutive months will be required to take service under the Small General Service schedule (Section 10.01).

**DETERMINATION OF FACILITIES CHARGE:** The monthly measured demand will be based on the maximum 15 consecutive minute period measured by a suitable demand meter for the month for which the bill is rendered. The Facilities charge demand will be based on the largest of the most recent 12 monthly measured demands, but in no event will the measured demand be considered less than 20 kW.



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**LARGE GENERAL SERVICE**

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Secondary Service	70-603
Primary Service	70-602
Transmission Service	70-632

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This schedule is applicable to nonresidential Customers. This schedule is not applicable for energy for resale, nor for municipal outdoor lighting. Emergency and supplementary/Standby service will be supplied only as allowed by law.

**RATE:**

SECONDARY SERVICE		
Customer Charge per Month:	\$40.00	
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer Charge + Facilities Charge + Demand Charge (min. 80 kW)	
Facilities Charge per Month:	per annual max. kW (minimum 80 kW per Month)	
	< 1000 kW:	\$0.30 /kW
	>= 1000 kW:	\$0.15 /kW
Energy Charge per kWh:	Summer	Winter
	5.011 ¢/kWh	5.059 ¢/kWh
Demand Charge per kW:	Summer	Winter
	\$7.06 /kW	\$2.85 /kW



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<b>PRIMARY SERVICE</b>		
Customer Charge per Month:	\$40.00	
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer Charge + Facilities Charge + Demand Charge (min. 80 kW)	
Facilities Charge per Month: per annual max. kW (minimum 80 kW per Month)		
All kW:	\$0.11 /kW	
Energy Charge per kWh:	Summer	Winter
	4.992 ¢/kWh	5.036 ¢/kWh
Demand Charge per kW:	Summer	Winter
	\$7.01 /kW	\$2.83 /kW

<b>TRANSMISSION SERVICE</b>		
Customer Charge per Month:	\$40.00	
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer Charge + Facilities Charge + Demand Charge (min. 80 kW)	
Facilities Charge per Month: per annual max. kW (minimum 80 kW per Month)		
All kW:	\$0.00 /kW	
Energy Charge per kWh:	Summer	Winter
	4.873 ¢/kWh	4.894 ¢/kWh
Demand Charge per kW:	Summer	Winter
	\$5.69 /kW	\$2.41 /kW

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.



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**DEFINITIONS OF SEASONS:**

Summer: June 1 through September 30.

Winter: October 1 through May 31.

**DETERMINATION OF FACILITIES CHARGE:** The monthly measured demand will be based on the maximum 15 consecutive minute period measured by a suitable demand meter for the month for which the bill is rendered. The Facilities charge demand will be based on the greater of 80 kW or the largest of the most recent 12 monthly measured demands.

**DETERMINATION OF BILLING DEMAND:** The billing demand shall be greater of 80 kW or the maximum kW as measured by a suitable demand meter for any period of 15 consecutive minutes during the month for which the bill is rendered adjusted for Excess Reactive Demand.

**ADJUSTMENT FOR EXCESS REACTIVE DEMAND:** The billing demand shall be increased by one kW for each whole 10 kvar of measured reactive demand in excess of 50% of the measured demand in kW.



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**COMMERCIAL SERVICE - TIME OF USE**

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Declared-Peak	70-708
Intermediate	70-709
Off-Peak	70-710

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This schedule is applicable to nonresidential Customers with one meter providing electrical service with a measured demand of at least 20 kW within the most recent 12 months.

**RATE:**

COMMERCIAL SERVICE - TIME OF USE			
<b>Customer Charge per Month:</b>	\$12.00		
<b>Monthly Minimum Bill:</b>	Customer + Facilities Charge		
<b>Facilities Charge per Month:</b>	\$0.52 /kW		
<b>Energy Charge per kWh:</b>	Summer	Winter	
<b>Declared-Peak</b>	20.097 ¢/kWh	13.305	¢/kWh
<b>Intermediate</b>	6.812 ¢/kWh	6.904	¢/kWh
<b>Off-Peak</b>	4.036 ¢/kWh	4.177	¢/kWh
<b>Demand Charge per kW:</b>	Summer	Winter	
<b>Declared-Peak</b>	\$0.00 /kW	\$0.00	/kW
<b>Intermediate</b>	\$2.45 /kW	\$2.84	/kW
<b>Off-Peak</b>	\$0.00 /kW	\$0.00	/kW



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**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** A Customer with a billing demand of less than 20 kW for 12 consecutive months will be required to take service under the Small General Service schedule (Section 10.01).

**DEFINITION OF DECLARED, INTERMEDIATE AND OFF-PEAK PERIODS BY SEASON:**

**WINTER SEASON - OCTOBER 1 THROUGH MAY 31 BILLINGS**

Declared-Peak: Hours declared (see Declared Peak Notification)

Intermediate: All hours other than declared-peak and off-peak

Off-Peak: For all kW and kWh used Weekdays or Saturdays from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., all day Sunday

**SUMMER SEASON - JUNE 1 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30 BILLINGS**

Declared-Peak: Hours declared (see Declared-Peak Notification)

Intermediate: All hours other than declared-peak and off-peak

Off-Peak: For all kW and kWh used Weekdays or Saturdays from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., all day Sunday

**DECLARED-PEAK NOTIFICATION:** The Company shall make available to the Customers, no later than 4:00 p.m. (Central Time) of the preceding day, "declared-peak" designations for the next business day. Except for unusual periods, the Company will make "declared-peak" designations for Saturday through Monday available to Customers on the previous Friday. More than one-day-ahead "declared-peak" designations may also be used for the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas.

Because circumstances prevent Company from projecting "declared-peak" designations more than one day in advance, Company reserves the right to revise and make available to Customers





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"declared-peak" designations for Sunday, Monday, any of the holidays mentioned above, or for the day following a holiday. Any revised "declared-peak" designations shall be made available by the usual means no later than 4:00 p.m. of the day prior to the prices taking effect.

The Company is not responsible for the Customer's failure to receive or obtain and act upon the "declared-peak" designations. If the Customer does not receive or obtain the "declared-peak" designations made available by the Company, it is the Customer's responsibility to notify the Company by 4:30 p.m. (Central Time) of the business day preceding the day that the "declared-peak" designations are to take effect. The Company will be responsible for notifying the Customer if prices are revised.

**DETERMINATION OF DEMAND:** The billing demand shall be the maximum demand in kW registered over any one-hour interval during any period for the month the bill is rendered.

**DETERMINATION OF FACILITIES CHARGE:** The monthly measured demand will be based on the maximum demand in kW registered over any one-hour interval by a suitable demand meter for the month for which the bill is rendered. The Facilities charge demand will be the greater of 20 kW or the largest of the most recent 12 monthly measured demands.



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**LARGE GENERAL SERVICE - TIME OF DAY**

DESCRIPTION	On-Peak	Shoulder	Off-Peak
Secondary Service	70-611	70-615	70-613
Primary Service	70-610	70-614	70-612
Transmission Service	70-639	70-637	70-640

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This schedule is applicable to nonresidential Customers with a measured demand of at least 80kW within the most recent 12 months.

**RATE:**

SECONDARY SERVICE			
Customer Charge per Month:	\$60.00		
Monthly Minimum Bill:	\$325.00 + Customer + Facilities Charge		
Facilities Charge per Month:	per annual max. kW (minimum 80kW per Month)		
	< 1000 kW:	\$0.30 /kW	
	≥ 1000 kW:	\$0.15 /kW	
Energy Charge per kWh:	Summer	Winter	
On-Peak	7.696 ¢/kWh	6.906 ¢/kWh	
Shoulder	5.898 ¢/kWh	5.617 ¢/kWh	
Off-Peak	3.513 ¢/kWh	3.965 ¢/kWh	
Demand Charge per kW:	Summer	Winter	
On-Peak	\$5.64 /kW	\$2.18 /kW	
Shoulder	\$1.56 /kW	\$0.51 /kW	
Off-Peak	N/A /kW	N/A /kW	



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PRIMARY SERVICE			
Customer Charge per Month:	\$60.00		
Monthly Minimum Bill:	\$325.00 + Customer + Facilities Charge		
Facilities Charge per Annual Maximum kW per Month (Minimum 80 kW per Month):	\$0.11		
Energy Charge per kWh:	Summer	Winter	
On-Peak	7.662 ¢/kWh	6.872 ¢/kWh	
Shoulder	5.874 ¢/kWh	5.591 ¢/kWh	
Off-Peak	3.502 ¢/kWh	3.948 ¢/kWh	
Demand Charge per kW:	Summer	Winter	
On-Peak	\$5.60 /kW	\$2.17 /kW	
Shoulder	\$1.54 /kW	\$0.51 /kW	
Off-Peak	N/A /kW	N/A /kW	

TRANSMISSION SERVICE			
Customer Charge per Month:	\$60.00		
Monthly Minimum Bill:	\$325.00 + Facilities Charge		
Facilities Charge per Annual Maximum kW per Month (Minimum 80 kW per Month):	\$0.00		
Energy Charge per kWh:	Summer	Winter	
On-Peak	7.459 ¢/kWh	6.669 ¢/kWh	
Shoulder	5.727 ¢/kWh	5.431 ¢/kWh	
Off-Peak	3.432 ¢/kWh	3.843 ¢/kWh	
Demand Charge per kW:	Summer	Winter	
On-Peak	\$4.76 /kW	\$1.97 /kW	
Shoulder	\$1.04 /kW	\$0.44 /kW	
Off-Peak	N/A /kW	N/A /kW	



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**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**DEFINITIONS OF SEASONS:**

Summer: June 1 through September 30.

Winter: October 1 through May 31.

**DETERMINATION OF FACILITIES CHARGE:** The monthly measured demand will be based on the maximum demand in kW registered over any one-hour interval by a suitable demand meter for the month for which the bill is rendered. The Facilities charge demand will be the greater of 80 kW or the largest of the most recent 12 monthly measured demands.

**METERED AND ESTABLISHED DEMAND:** The Metered Demand shall be the maximum kW registered over any period of one hour during the month for which the bill is rendered. The Established Demand shall be the Metered Demand adjusted for excess reactive demand.

**ADJUSTMENT FOR EXCESS REACTIVE DEMAND:** The Metered Demand shall be increased by one kW for each whole ten kVar of reactive demand in excess of 50% of the measured demand in kW.

**DEFINITION OF ON-PEAK, SHOULDER AND OFF-PEAK PERIODS BY SEASON:**

**WINTER SEASON - OCTOBER 1 THROUGH MAY 31 BILLINGS**

**On-Peak:** For all kW and kWh used Monday through Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, and between 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

**Shoulder:** For all kW and kWh used Monday through Friday hour 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., hours 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. and hour 9:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and, Saturday through Sunday 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**Off-Peak:** For all other kW and kWh used Monday through Friday hours 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. and, Saturday and Sunday all hours except 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**SUMMER SEASON - JUNE 1 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30 BILLINGS**

**On-Peak:** For all kW and kWh used Monday through Friday between 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.



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Shoulder: For all kW and kWh used Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Saturday through Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Off-Peak: For all kW and kWh used Monday through Friday hours 10:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. and, Saturday and Sunday all hours except 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**CONTRACT PERIOD & AGREEMENT**: Contract period will be outlined in agreement.



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**STANDBY SERVICE**

	On-Peak	Shoulder	Off-Peak	On-Peak	Shoulder	Off-Peak
Transmission Service	70-941	70-942	70-943	70-950	70-951	70-952
Primary Service	70-944	70-945	70-946	70-953	70-954	70-955
Secondary Service	70-947	70-948	70-949	70-956	70-957	70-958

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this schedule and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This schedule provides Backup, Scheduled Maintenance, and Supplemental Services. This schedule is applicable to any Customer who has the following conditions:

1. Requests to become a Standby Service Customer of the Company. Otherwise, the Company views the Customer as a Non-Standby Service Customer. For information about the different categories of Non-Standby Service Customers, including exemptions from Standby Service, please see Definitions and Useful Terms.
2. Utilizes Extended Parallel Generation Systems to meet all or a portion of electrical requirements, which is capable of greater than 60 kW. Customers with Extended Parallel Generation Systems used to meet all or a portion of electrical requirements that are capable of 60 kW or less are considered Non-Standby Service Customers and exempt from paying standby charges. Please see Section 11.01 Sheets 5 through 8 for more information regarding Non-Standby Service Customers.

The Company delivers alternating current service at transmission, primary or secondary voltage under this rate schedule, supplied through one meter.

Power production equipment at the Customer site shall not operate in parallel with the Company's system until the installation has been inspected by an authorized Company representative and final written approval is received from the Company to commence parallel operation.



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**RATE:**

<b>OPTION A: FIRM STANDBY</b>			
	<b>Transmission Service</b>	<b>Primary Service</b>	<b>Secondary Service</b>
<b>Firm Standby Fixed Charges</b>			
Customer Charge	\$199.00/month	\$199.00/month	\$199.00/month
Minimum Monthly Bill	Customer + Reservation + Standby Facilities Charges	Customer + Reservation + Standby Facilities Charges	Customer + Reservation + Standby Facilities Charges
Summer Reservation Charge per month per kW of Contracted Backup Demand	81.704 ¢/kW	84.590 ¢/kW	85.069 ¢/kW
Winter Reservation Charge per month per kW of Contracted Backup Demand	9.254 ¢/kW	9.634 ¢/kW	9.697 ¢/kW
Standby Distribution Facilities charge per month per kW of Contracted Backup Demand	Not Applicable	11.00 ¢/kW	30.00 ¢/kW
<b>Firm Standby On-Peak Demand Charge - Summer</b>			
Metered Demand per day per kW On-Peak Backup Charge	35.865 ¢/kW	48.683 ¢/kW	49.076 ¢/kW
<b>Firm Standby On-Peak Demand Charge - Winter</b>			
Metered Demand per day per kW On-Peak Backup Charge	28.694 ¢/kW	31.978 ¢/kW	32.187 ¢/kW
<b>Firm Standby Energy Charges - Summer</b>			
Energy Charges per kWh			
On-Peak Charge	7.459 ¢/kWh	7.662 ¢/kWh	7.696 ¢/kWh
Shoulder Charge	5.727 ¢/kWh	5.874 ¢/kWh	5.898 ¢/kWh
Off-Peak Charge	3.432 ¢/kWh	3.502 ¢/kWh	3.513 ¢/kWh
<b>Firm Standby Energy Charges - Winter</b>			
Energy Chargers per kWh			
On-Peak Charge	6.669 ¢/kWh	6.872 ¢/kWh	6.906 ¢/kWh
Shoulder Charge	5.431 ¢/kWh	5.591 ¢/kWh	5.617 ¢/kWh
Off-Peak Charge	3.843 ¢/kWh	3.948 ¢/kWh	3.965 ¢/kWh



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<b>OPTION B: NON-FIRM STANDBY</b>			
	<b>Transmission Service</b>	<b>Primary Service</b>	<b>Secondary Service</b>
<b>Non-Firm Standby Fixed Charges</b>			
Customer Charge	\$199.00/month	\$199.00/month	\$199.00/month
Minimum Monthly Bill	Customer + Reservation + Standby Facilities Charge	Customer + Reservation + Standby Facilities Charge	Customer + Reservation + Standby Facilities Charge
Reservation Charge per month per kW of Contracted Backup Demand	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Standby Facilities charge per month per kW of Contracted Backup Demand	Not Applicable	11.00 ¢/kW	30.00 ¢/kW
<b>Non-Firm Standby On-Peak Demand Charge - Summer</b>			
Metered Demand per day per kW On-Peak Backup Charge	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
<b>Non-Firm Standby On-Peak Demand Charge - Winter</b>			
Metered Demand per day per kW On-Peak Backup Charge	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
<b>Non-Firm Standby Energy Charges - Summer</b>			
Energy Chargers per kWh			
On-Peak Charge	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Shoulder Charge	5.727 ¢/kWh	5.874¢/kWh	5.898 ¢/kWh
Off-Peak Charge	3.432 ¢/kWh	3.502¢/kWh	3.513 ¢/kWh
<b>Non-Firm Standby Energy Charges - Winter</b>			
Energy Chargers per kWh			
On-Peak Charge	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Shoulder Charge	5.431 ¢/kWh	5.591 ¢/kWh	5.617 ¢/kWh
Off-Peak Charge	3.843 ¢/kWh	3.948 ¢/kWh	3.965 ¢/kWh

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.





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**DETERMINATION OF METERED DEMAND:** Metered Demand shall be based on the maximum kW registered over any period of one hour during the month in which the bill is rendered.

**CONTRACT PERIOD:** Standby Service is applicable only by signed agreement, setting forth the location and conditions applicable to the electric service, such as the Contracted Backup Demand, type of standby service (Option A or B), excess facilities required for service and other applicable terms and conditions and providing for an initial minimum contract period of one year, unless otherwise authorized by the Company.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

1. The Company's meter will measure power and energy from the Company to the Customer. Any flow of power and energy from the Customer to the Company will be separately metered under one of the Company's Power Producer Riders, or by contract.
2. Option A - Firm Standby: Exclusive of any scheduled maintenance hours, if the number of hours on which Backup Service is supplied exceeds 120 On-Peak hours in the Summer season and 240 On-Peak hours in the Winter season, the Customer may be required to take service under a standard, non-standby, rate schedule.
3. Option B – Non-Firm Standby: Backup Service is not available during any On-peak season. This service is only available in the Summer Shoulder and Summer Off-Peak and Winter Shoulder and Winter Off-Peak hours on a non-firm basis. The Company makes no guarantee that this service will be available; however, the Company will make reasonable efforts to provide Backup Service under Option B whenever possible.
4. One year (12 months) written notice to the Company is required to convert from this standby service to regular firm service, unless authorized by the Company.
5. Any Excess Facilities Investment required to furnish service under this Tariff will be provided at the Customer's expense.
6. The Customer shall indemnify the Company against all liability which may result from any and all claims for damages to property and injury or death to persons which may arise out of or be caused by the erection, maintenance, presence, or operation of Customer generation facility or by any related act or omission of the Customer, its employees, agents, contractors or subcontractors.

7. During times of Customer generation, the Customer will be expected to provide vars as

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needed to serve their load. The Customer will provide equipment to maintain a unity power factor + or - 10% for Supplemental Service, and when the Customer is taking Backup Service from the Company.

**DEFINITIONS AND USEFUL TERMS:**

**Backup Demand** (a component of Backup Service) is the demand taken when On-peak demand provided by the Company is used to make up for reduced output from the Customer's generation. The total monthly backup charge will not exceed the sum of the ten highest daily charges for Backup Demand, if any.

**Backup Service** is the energy and demand supplied by the utility during unscheduled outages of the Customer's generator.

**Billing Demand** is the Customer's Demand used by the Company for billing purposes.

**Capacity** is the ability to functionally serve a required load on a continuing basis.

**Contracted Backup Demand** is the amount of capacity selected to backup Customer's generation, not to exceed the capability of the Customer's generator.

**Demand** is the rate at which electric energy is delivered to or by a system, part of a system, or a piece of equipment and is expressed in Kilowatts ("kW") or megawatts ("MW").

**Energy** is the Customer's electric consumption requirement, measured in Kilowatt-hours ("kWh").

**Extended Parallel Generation Systems** are generation systems that are designed to remain connected in parallel to and in phase with the utility distribution system for an extended period of time.

**Excess Facility Investments** are facilities required to provide service to the generation system that are not provided in Company retail service schedules. The Customer is required to pay up-front for these facilities and pay maintenance costs as long as the facilities are required.

**MAPP** is the Mid-Continent Area Power Pool or any successor agency assuming or charged with similar responsibility.



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**MISO** is the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator that assures industry consumers of unbiased regional grid management and open access to the transmission facilities under Midwest ISO's functional supervision.

**Non-Standby Service Customer** is a Customer who a) does not request and receive approval of Standby Services from the Company or, b) is exempt from paying any standby charges as allowed by law or Commission Order, or c) in lieu of service under this tariff, may provide Physical Assurance, or d) will take service from any of the Company's other approved base tariffs.

Customers with Extended Parallel Generation Systems used to meet all or a portion of electrical requirements that are capable of 60 kW or less are considered Non-Standby Service Customers and exempt from paying standby charges.

Standby Service for Customers with Extended Parallel Generation Systems used to meet all or a portion of electrical requirements that are capable of 60 kW or less is available under Customer's base rate.

For Large General Service or Large General Service-Time of Use Customers, a Special Minimum Demand may apply.

For more information regarding Extended Parallel Generation Systems, Physical Assurance Customers, Special Minimum Demand, and Standby Service for Customers, please see these terms under Definitions.

**Physical Assurance Customer** is a Customer who agrees not to require standby services and has an approved mechanical device, inspected and approved by a Company representative, to insure standby service is not taken. The cost of the mechanical device is to be paid by the Customer.

**Renewable Energy Attributes** refer to the benefits of the energy from being generated by a renewable resource rather than a fossil-fueled resource.

**Renewable Energy Credit** is typically viewed as a certification that something was generated by a renewable resource.

**Renewable Resource Premium** refers to the extra payment received on top of the regular avoided costs. This extra payment is to reflect the value of the Renewable Energy Credit, which is a certification of the Renewable Energy Attributes.

**Reservation Charge Per kW Per Month** is the charge that recovers the planned



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generation reserve margin of the utility times the applicable capacity charge.

**Scheduled Maintenance Service** is defined as the energy and demand supplied by the utility during scheduled outages. The daily on-peak backup demand charge under Variable Charges of the "Rate" section will be waived for a maximum continuous period of 30 days per calendar year to allow for maintenance of the Customer generation source.

Waiver is only valid during the months of April, May, October, and November, and with a minimum of five working days (excludes weekends and holidays) written notice to Company. In certain cases, such as very large Customers, the Company and the Customer will mutually agree to different maintenance schedules as listed above.

**Special Minimum Demand** is a special demand calculation that the Company may use at its option for Large General Service or Large General Service-Time of Day Customers. The terms are outlined in Sections 10.03 and 10.05.

**Standby Service Customer** is a Customer who receives the following services from the Company, Section 11.01; backup power for non-Company generation, supplemental power, and scheduled maintenance power. These services are not applicable for resale, municipal outdoor lighting, or Customers with emergency standby generators.

**Summer On-Peak:** For all Summer Season kW and kWh used Monday through Friday between 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**Summer Off-Peak:** For all other Summer Season kW and kWh not covered by either shoulder or off-peak.

**Summer Season** is the period from June 1 through September 30.

**Summer Shoulder:** For all Summer Season kW and kWh used Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Saturday through Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.



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**Supplemental Service** is the energy and demand supplied by the utility in addition to the capability of the on-site generator. Except for determination of Demand, Supplemental Service shall be provided under Rate Section 10.05 – Large General Service – Time of Day.

**Supplemental Demand** (a component of Supplemental Service) is the metered demand measured on a Company meter during on-peak and off-peak periods, less Contracted Backup Demand.

**Winter Season** is the period from October 1 through May 31.

**Winter Off-Peak:** All other Winter Season kW and kWh not covered by either shoulder or off-peak.

**Winter On-Peak:** For all Winter Season kW and kWh used Monday through Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, and between 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

**Winter Shoulder:** For all Winter Season kW and kWh used Monday through Friday hour 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., hours 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. and hour 9:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and, Saturday through Sunday 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.



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**IRRIGATION SERVICE**

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Option 1: Non-Time-of-Use	70-703
Option 2: Declared-Peak	70-704
Option 2: Intermediate	70-705
Option 2: Off-Peak	70-706

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This service is applicable to Customers for pumping water for irrigation of land, during the irrigation season - April 15 through November 1.

**RATE:**

OPTION 1		
Customer Charge per Month:	\$1.00	
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer + Facilities Charge	
Facilities Charge per Month:	Customer Specific - see Tariff	
Energy Charge per kWh:	Summer	Winter
	6.828 ¢/kWh	5.093 ¢/kWh

OPTION 2		
Customer Charge per Month:	\$5.00	
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer + Facilities Charge	
Facilities Charge per Month:	Customer Specific - see Tariff	
Energy Charge per kWh:	Summer	Winter
	Declared-Peak	11.741 ¢/kWh
	Intermediate	6.851 ¢/kWh
	Off-Peak	3.535 ¢/kWh



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**FACILITIES CHARGE:** Customers served under this rate shall pay an annual fixed charge equal to 18% of the investment of the Company in the extension of lines, including any rebuilding or cost of capacity increase in lines or apparatus, necessitated because of the irrigation pumping load.

Alternatively, customers may prepay the installation and cost of the equipment and shall pay an annual fixed charge equal to 3.5% of the investment of the Company, in lieu of the 18% annual fixed charge.

In either option, equipment remains the property of Otter Tail Power Company. This charge shall be reviewed if additional customers are connected to the extension within five years. The annual fixed charge will be billed in seven equal monthly installments May through November of each year.

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**DEFINITION OF DECLARED, INTERMEDIATE AND OFF-PEAK PERIODS BY SEASON:**

**WINTER SEASON** – April 15 through May 31, and October 1 through November 1.

Declared-Peak: Hours declared.

Intermediate: All hours other than declared-peak and off-peak.

Off-Peak: For all kWh used Weekdays or Saturdays from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., all day Sunday.

**SUMMER SEASON** – June 1 through September 30

Declared-Peak: Hours declared.

Intermediate: All hours other than declared-peak and off-peak.

Off-Peak: For all kWh used Weekdays or Saturdays from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., all day Sunday.

**CONTRACT PERIOD:** The minimum Contract Period shall be five years.

The Company shall enter into a written agreement with each Customer served at this rate and the Customer shall agree to pay for service at this rate for a period of five years because of the investment of the Customer in pumping and irrigation equipment, and of the Company in the extension of lines.



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If, during the terms of such agreement, the Company shall establish a superseding rate for this service, the Customer shall be billed at the superseding rate for the balance of the term of the contract and shall comply with all terms and conditions of the superseding rate. Unless there is additional investment by the Company, there shall be no change in the amount of the fixed charge during the term of such agreement regardless of the provisions of any superseding rate.

An agreement will be entered into with each customer, specifying the investment necessary to supply service and the fixed charge.





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**OUTDOOR LIGHTING – ENERGY ONLY  
DUSK TO DAWN**

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Sign Lighting	70-744
Outdoor Lighting – Metered	70-748
Outdoor Lighting – Non-Metered	70-749

**REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This schedule is applicable to all Customers who choose to own, install, and maintain automatically operated dusk to dawn outdoor lighting equipment. Under the schedule, the Company will provide only the dusk to dawn electric energy.

**EQUIPMENT AND SERVICE OWNERSHIP:** The Customer or other third party shall install and own all equipment necessary for service beyond the point of connection with the Company’s electrical system. The point of connection shall be at the meter or disconnect switch for service provided either overhead or underground. The Customer will be responsible for furnishing and installing a master disconnect switch at the point of connection so as to isolate the Customer’s equipment from the Company’s electrical system. The Customer’s disconnect switch must meet the Company’s specifications.

The Customer is responsible for the cost of providing maintenance on the equipment it owns. The Company reserves the right to disconnect the Customer’s equipment from the Company’s electrical system should the Company determine the Customer’s lighting equipment is operated or maintained in an unsafe or improper manner.

**RATE – METERED:**

OUTDOOR LIGHTING - ENERGY ONLY – METERED RATE	
Customer Charge per Month:	\$2.00
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer Charge
Energy Charge per kWh:	6.495 ¢/kWh



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**RATE – NON-METERED:**

<b>OUTDOOR/SIGN LIGHTING – ENERGY ONLY NON-METERED RATE</b>
Monthly charge = Connected kW x \$22.19, where Connected kW is the rated power of the lighting fixture (including ballast).

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**SERVICE CONDITIONS:** Company-owned lights shall not be attached to Customer-owned property.

The Company shall have the right to periodically review the Customer’s lighting equipment to verify that the rated power (kW) of the non-metered fixtures is consistent with the Company’s records.



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**OUTDOOR LIGHTING  
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DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Street and Area Lighting	70-741
Floodlighting	70-743

**REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This schedule is applicable to any Customer, including a village, town or city, for automatically operated dusk to dawn outdoor lighting supplied and operated by the Company.

**RATE:**

STREET AND AREA LIGHTING			
Unit Type	Lumens	Wattage	Monthly Charge
MV-6	6,000	175	\$ 7.26
MV-6PT	6,000	175	10.44
MV-11	11,000	250	13.15
MV-21	21,000	400	17.41
MV-35	35,000	700	25.60
MV-55	55,000	1000	32.75
MA-8	8,500	100	8.23
MA-14	14,000	175	15.67
MA-20	20,500	250	17.95
MA-36	36,000	400	17.76
MA-110	110,000	1000	38.03
HPS-9	9,000	100	7.96
HPS-9PT	9,000	100	9.65
HPS-14	14,000	150	12.22
HPS-14PT	14,000	150	12.41
HPS-19	19,000	200	14.07
HPS-23	23,000	250	16.03
HPS-44	44,000	400	19.83



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FLOODLIGHTING		
Fixture	Unit Type	Monthly Charge
400 MV-Flood	Mercury Vapor	\$18.05
400 MA-Flood	Metal Additive Mercury	19.26
400 HPS-Flood	High Pressure Sodium	19.72
1000 MV-Flood	Mercury Vapor	31.71
1000 MA-Flood	Metal Additive Mercury	33.32

Due to the U.S. Government Energy Act of 2005, after July 1, 2008, the Company will no longer install Mercury Vapor fixtures for new installations.

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**SEASONAL CUSTOMERS:** Seasonal Customers will be billed at the same rate as year-around Customers, except as follows:

A fixed charge of \$17.30 will be billed each seasonal Customer once per season per fixture in addition to the rate provided above. The fixed charge will be included in the first bill rendered for each season.

Each Customer will be billed for the number of months each season that the outdoor lighting fixture is in use, but not less than a minimum of four months, plus the seasonal fixed charge.

**UNDERGROUND SERVICE:** If a Customer requests underground service to any outdoor lighting unit or sign, the Company will supply a span of up to 200 feet of wire and add an additional \$2.08 to the monthly rate specified above. If overhead service is not available, there is no additional charge. **There is no additional charge for the MV-6PT, HPS-9PT, or the HPS-14PT fixtures.**

**EQUIPMENT AND SERVICE SUPPLIED BY THE COMPANY:** The light shall be mounted on a suitable new or existing Company-owned pole at which unmetered 120-volt supply can be made available. Any extension of Company's 120-volt supply beyond one span of wire will be at the expense of Customer.

The Company will install, own, operate, and have discretion to replace or upgrade a high intensity discharge light including suitable reflector or a floodlight including a lamp, bracket for



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mounting on wood poles with overhead wiring and photo-electric or other device to control operating hours. Customers provided with pole top fixtures on fiberglass poles will not receive overhead power supply. The light shall operate from dusk to dawn. The Company will supply the necessary electricity and maintenance for the unit.

**SERVICE CONDITIONS:** Lighting will not be mounted on Customer-owned property. The light shall be mounted upon a suitable new or existing Company-owned facility. The Company shall own, operate, and maintain the lighting unit including the pole, fixture, lamp, ballast, photoelectric control, mounting brackets, and all necessary wiring using the Company's standard street lighting equipment. The Company shall furnish all electric energy required for operation of the unit.

In case of vandalism or damages, the Company has the discretion to discontinue service and remove Company equipment.



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**MUNICIPAL PUMPING SERVICE**

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Secondary Service	70-873
Primary Service	70-874

**REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This schedule is applicable to nonseasonal municipal or other governmental loads only. It shall apply to electric service for motor driven pumps for use at water pumping and treating plants, sewage disposal and treating plants, sewage lift stations and may extend to all lighting and other electrical requirements incidental to the operation of such plants and lift stations at those locations. Municipal buildings adjacent to, but not incidental to pumping operation, may not be served on this rate.

The rate and monthly minimum shall apply to each meter in service. Except where service through a meter is for electric space heating only, the energy on this meter shall be added to the pumping meter for billing purposes.

The Company retains the authority to allow totalizing at locations where allowed electric space heating load is metered separately from the pumping load. In all other cases the monthly minimum shall apply to each meter providing service under this tariff.

**RATE:**

	SECONDARY SERVICE		PRIMARY SERVICE	
Customer Charge per Month:	\$2.00		\$2.00	
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer + Facilities Charge		Customer + Facilities Charge	
Facilities Charge per Month:	\$4.00		\$2.68	
Energy Charge per kWh:	Summer	Winter	Summer	Winter
	6.435 ¢/kWh	5.870 ¢/kWh	6.406 ¢/kWh	5.842 ¢/kWh



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**DEFINITIONS OF SEASONS:**

Summer: June 1 through September 30.

Winter: October 1 through May 31.



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**CIVIL DEFENSE - FIRE SIRENS**

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Civil Defense – Fire Sirens	70-842

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This schedule is applicable to separately served civil defense and municipal fire sirens.

**RATE:**

CIVIL DEFENSE - FIRE SIRENS SERVICE	
Customer Charge per Month:	\$1.00
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer Charge
Charge per HP:	48.731 ¢/HP

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**OTHER SIREN SERVICE:** If the siren is served through a tariff applicable to the City Hall, fire hall or other tariffed service, no separate billing shall be made for the siren.

**SERVICE CONDITIONS:** Service shall be provided off of standard distribution facilities typical of those in the general area. If necessary for the Company to install non-standard distribution associated with the non-standard facilities, as part of this tariff the Company will provide an extension of up to one span of wire, not to exceed 200 feet.

The Company shall have the right to periodically review the Customer’s Civil Defense – Fire Siren rated horsepower (hp) to verify that the rated hp of the non-metered siren is consistent with the Company’s records.






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**POWER PRODUCER RIDERS - APPLICABILITY MATRIX**

The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply, Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, and charges listed in the General Rules and Regulations.

 <b>Applicability Matrix</b>	<b>Power Producer Riders</b>	Occasional Delivery Energy Rider	Temperature Time of Delivery Rider	Dependable Service Rider
<b>Base Tariffs</b>	Section 12.00	12.01	12.02	12.03
<b>RESIDENTIAL &amp; FARM SERVICES</b>				
Residential Service	9.01	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Residential Demand Control Service	9.02	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Farm Service	9.03	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>GENERAL SERVICES</b>				
Small General Service (Less than 20 kW)	10.01	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
General Service (20 kW or greater)	10.02	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Commercial Service - Time of Use	10.04	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Large General Service	10.05	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Large General Service - Time of Day	10.06	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>OTHER</b>				
Standby Service	11.01	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Irrigation Service	11.02	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Outdoor Lighting - Energy Only	11.03	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outdoor Lighting	11.04	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Municipal Pumping Service	11.05	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Civil Defense - Fire Sirens	11.06	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Key:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> = May apply <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> = Mandatory <input type="checkbox"/> = Not Applicable				



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**SMALL POWER PRODUCER RIDER  
OCCASIONAL DELIVERY ENERGY SERVICE**

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Occasional Delivery Energy Service	70-902

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this rider and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**AVAILABILITY:** Available to any qualifying facility not exceeding 100 kW of generating capacity.

**METERING CHARGE:** \$1.40 per month

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE:** Effective May 1, 1984: 1.670¢ per kWh

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF SERVICE:** The minimum contracted term of service is 12 months.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** The use of this rider requires that special precautions be taken in the design of associated metering and control systems. The following terms and conditions describe these precautions and shall be followed on all Customer owned small qualifying facilities (SQF).

1. The Customer will be compensated monthly for all energy received from the SQF less the metering charge. The schedule for these payments is subject to annual review.
2. If the SQF is located at a site outside of the Company's service territory and energy is delivered to the Company through facilities owned by another utility, energy payments will be adjusted downward reflecting losses occurring between the point of metering and the point of delivery.
3. A separate meter will be furnished, owned and maintained by the Company to measure the energy to the Company.



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4. The SQF shall make provision for on-site metering. All energy received from and delivered to the Company shall be separately metered. On site use of the SQF output shall be unmetered for purposes of compensation unless the SQF desires to sell all its generated output to, and purchase all of its energy from, the Company.
5. In the event the SQF desires wheeling by the Company of the SQF output, arrangements will be made subject to special consideration.
6. The Customer shall pay for any increased capacity of the distribution equipment serving him and made necessary by the installation of the generator.
7. Power and energy purchased by the SQF from the Company shall be under the available retail rates for the purchase of electricity.
8. The Customer's 60 hertz generator output must be at the voltage and phase relationship of the existing service or of one mutually agreeable to the Company and the Customer.
9. The Customer will provide equipment to maintain a 100% power factor (+ or - 10%) during periods of generator operation.
10. The Company reserves the right to disconnect the Customer's generator from its system if it interferes with the operation of the Company's equipment or with the equipment of other Company.
11. Prior to installation, a detailed diagram of the generator and related equipment must be furnished to the Company for its approval.
12. The Customer shall execute an electric service agreement with the Company which may include, among other provisions, a minimum term of service.
13. The SQF shall indemnify and save harmless the Company from and against any and all claims for damages to property and injury or death to persons which may arise out of or be caused by the erection, maintenance, presence, operation or removal of the SQF or by any related act or omission of the SQF, its employees, agents, contractors or subcontractors. The SQF will keep in force, liability insurance against personal or property damage due to the installation, interconnection and operation of its electric generating facilities. The minimum amount of insurance coverage will be \$300,000.
14. Equipment shall be provided by the Customer that provides a positive means of



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preventing feedback to the Company during an outage or interruption of that system.

15. The Customer shall install, own and maintain all equipment deemed necessary by the Company to assure proper parallel operation of the system.
16. Except in cases of emergency, the Customer will be notified in advance, personally or by telephone, whenever a disconnection of their generating facility is necessary. They will also be advised of the reason for, and the estimated duration of, the outage.



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**SMALL POWER PRODUCER RIDER  
TEMPERATURE-TIME OF DELIVERY ENERGY SERVICE**

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Temperature-Time of Delivery Energy Service	70-903

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this rider and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**AVAILABILITY:** This rider is available to any Qualifying Facility not exceeding 100 kW of generating capacity.

**METERING CHARGE:** \$3.25 per month

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE:**

EFFECTIVE DATE	ENERGY CREDIT	
	Summer	
	<u>On-Peak</u>	<u>Off-Peak</u>
May 1, 1984	2.03¢ per kWh	1.48¢ per kWh
	Winter	
	<u>On-Peak</u>	<u>Off-Peak</u>
May 1, 1984	2.30¢ per kWh	1.73¢ per kWh

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF SERVICE:** The minimum contracted term of service is 12 months.



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**DEFINITIONS:**

Summer On-Peak: May 1 through October 31, including those hours from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday when the outside temperature exceeds 80 degrees F., excluding holidays.

Summer Off-Peak: All other hours.

Winter On-Peak: November 1 through April 30, including those hours from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday when the outside temperature is less than 0 degrees Fahrenheit, excluding holidays.

Winter Off-Peak: All other hours.

Holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** The use of this rate requires that special precautions be taken in the design of associated metering and control systems. The following terms and conditions describe these precautions and shall be followed on all Customer-owned small qualifying facilities (SQF).

1. The Customer will be compensated monthly for all energy received from the SQF less the metering charge. The schedule for these payments is subject to annual review.
2. If the SQF is located at a site outside of the Company's service territory and energy is delivered to the Company through facilities owned by another utility, energy payments will be adjusted downward reflecting losses occurring between the point of metering and the point of delivery.
3. A separate meter will be furnished, owned and maintained by the Company to measure the energy to the Company.
4. The SQF shall make provision for on-site metering. All energy received from and delivered to the Company shall be separately metered. Onsite use of the SQF output shall be unmetered for purposes of compensation unless the SQF desires to sell all its generated output to, and purchase all of its energy from, the Company.
5. In the event the SQF desires wheeling by the Company of the SQF output, arrangements



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will be made subject to special consideration.

6. The Customer shall pay for any increased capacity of the distribution equipment serving him and made necessary by the installation of the generator.
7. Power and energy purchased by the SQF from the Company shall be under the available retail rates for the purchase of electricity.
8. The Customer's 60 hertz generator output must be at the voltage and phase relationship of the existing service or of one mutually agreeable to the Company and the Customer.
9. The Customer will provide equipment to maintain a 100% power factor (+ or - 10%) during periods of generator operation.
10. The Company reserves the right to disconnect the Customer's generator from its system if it interferes with the operation of the Company's equipment or with the equipment of other Company Customers.
11. Prior to installation, a detailed diagram of the generator and related equipment must be furnished to the Company for its approval.
12. The Customer shall execute an electric service agreement with the Company which may include, among other provisions, a minimum term of service.
13. The SQF shall indemnify and save harmless the Company from and against any and all claims for damages to property and injury or death to persons which may arise out of or be caused by the erection, maintenance, presence, operation or removal of the SQF or by any related act or omission of the SQF, its employees, agents, contractors or subcontractors. The SQF will keep in force, liability insurance against personal or property damage due to the installation, interconnection and operation of its electric generating facilities. The minimum amount of insurance coverage will be \$300,000.
14. Equipment shall be provided by the Customer that provides a positive means of preventing feedback to the Company during an outage or interruption of that system.
15. The Customer shall install, own and maintain all equipment deemed necessary by the Company to assure proper parallel operation of the system.



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16. Except in cases of emergency, the Customer will be notified in advance, personally or by telephone, whenever a disconnection of their generating facility is necessary. They will also be advised of the reason for, and the estimated duration of, the outage.





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**SMALL POWER PRODUCER RIDER  
DEPENDABLE SERVICE**

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Dependable Service	70-904

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**AVAILABILITY:** Available to any qualifying facility not exceeding 100 kW of generating capacity which is capable of delivering power and energy to the Company on a dependable basis.

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**METERING CHARGE:** \$8.87 per month

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE:** For deliveries commencing on May 1, 1984

CONTRACT TERM	CAPACITY PAYMENT	ENERGY PAYMENT	
		Off-Peak	On-Peak
60 mos.	\$ 7.72 per kW	1.15¢ per kWh	1.70¢ per kWh
120 mos.	\$ 8.69 per kW	1.15¢ per kWh	1.70¢ per kWh
180 mos.	\$ 9.65 per kW	1.15¢ per kWh	1.70¢ per kWh
240 mos.	\$10.56 per kW	1.15¢ per kWh	1.70¢ per kWh
300 mos.	\$11.42 per kW	1.15¢ per kWh	1.70¢ per kWh
360 mos.	\$12.15 per kW	1.15¢ per kWh	1.70¢ per kWh
420 mos.	\$12.82 per kW	1.15¢ per kWh	1.70¢ per kWh

Energy payment will be adjusted annually to reflect energy costs.

Total capacity payment equals (accredited capacity value) times (capacity factor) times (appropriate capacity payment).



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**SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF SERVICE:**

1. A qualifying facility, desiring dependable service compensation shall execute a contract agreement for a term of 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 or 35 years.
2. If a qualifying facility does not meet the 20% capacity factor requirement for service in any month, the compensation will be based on the energy payment only.
3. In the event that a qualifying facility terminates service, the Dependable Service severance penalty payment will be determined as follows:

The remaining percentage of the contract term will be multiplied by the average capacity compensation per month and the result multiplied by six months. The average capacity compensation per month will be determined for the last three years or from the contract's initiation, whichever is the shorter period.

In addition, capacity compensation from the initiation of the contract will be recalculated at the capacity payment of the longest contract term filled. The following table illustrates the longest contract term filled given the number of months that payments were made:

<u>Months of Payments</u>	<u>Contract Term Filled</u>
0 - 119	60
120 - 179	120
180 - 239	180
240 - 299	240
300 - 359	300
360 - 420	360

The difference between the actual payments made and the recalculated payments must be repaid with interest. The interest rate used will be the average prime interest rate during the contract period prior to the severance.

4. Qualifying facility may select a total of 30 scheduled maintenance days per year, to be taken in two periods, neither of which shall be less than one week in duration at a time agreeable to the Company. A 30-day prior notice must be given to the Company before a scheduled maintenance period can be established.

Capacity payment for a monthly period in which scheduled maintenance has occurred will be the greater of the capacity payment using the regular billing procedure or the



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average billing capacity payment since the previous month in which a scheduled maintenance period occurred.

**DEFINITIONS:**

Dependable Service: Qualifying facility can deliver power at a minimum of 20% capacity factor in each month; can deliver power during the Company's winter and summer system peaks; and is accredited according to Section 5.2 of the Mid-Continent Area Power Pool Engineering Handbook.

Capacity Factor: The number of Kilowatt-hours delivered during the month divided by the product of the accredited capacity times the number of hours in the month. The maximum capacity factor is 1.0.

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Winter On-Peak: November 1 through April 30 including those hours from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday, excluding holidays

Holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** The use of this rate requires that special precautions be taken in the design of associated metering and control systems. The following terms and conditions describe these precautions and shall be followed on all Customer-owned small qualifying facilities (SQF).

1. The Customer will be compensated monthly for all energy received from the SQF less the metering charge. The schedule for these payments is subject to annual review.
2. If the SQF is located at a site outside of the Company's service territory and energy is delivered to the Company through facilities owned by another utility, energy payments will be adjusted downward reflecting losses occurring between the point of metering and the point of delivery.
3. A separate meter will be furnished, owned and maintained by the Company to measure the energy to the Company.



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4. The SQF shall make provision for on-site metering. All energy received from and delivered to the Company shall be separately metered. On site use of the SQF output shall be unmetered for purposes of compensation unless the SQF desires to sell all its generated output to, and purchase all of its energy from, the Company.
5. In the event the SQF desires wheeling by the Company of the SQF output, arrangements will be made subject to special consideration.
6. The Customer shall pay for any increased capacity of the distribution equipment serving him and made necessary by the installation of his generator.
7. Power and energy purchased by the SQF from the Company shall be under the available retail rates for the purchase of electricity.
8. The Customer's 60 hertz generator output must be at the voltage and phase relationship of the existing service or of one mutually agreeable to the Company and the Customer.
9. The Customer will provide equipment to maintain a 100% power factor (+ or - 10%) during periods of generator operation.
10. The Company reserves the right to disconnect the Customer's generator from its system if it interferes with the operation of the Company's equipment or with the equipment of other company Customers.
11. Prior to installation, a detailed diagram of the generator and related equipment must be furnished to the Company for its approval.
12. The Customer shall execute an electric service agreement with the Company which may include, among other provisions, a minimum term of service and generator capacity rating.
13. The SQF shall indemnify and save harmless the Company from and against any and all claims for damages to property and injury or death to persons which may arise out of or be caused by the erection, maintenance, presence, operation or removal of the SQF or by any related act or omission of the SQF, its employees, agents, contractors or subcontractors. The SQF will keep in force liability insurance against personal or property damage due to the installation, interconnection, and operation of its electric generating facilities. The minimum amount of insurance coverage will be \$300,000.
14. Equipment shall be provided by the Customer that provides a positive means of



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preventing feedback to the Company during an outage or interruption of that system.

15. The Customer shall install, own and maintain all equipment deemed necessary by the Company to assure proper parallel operation of the system.
16. Except in cases of emergency, the customer will be notified in advance, personally or by telephone, whenever a disconnection of their generating facility is necessary. They will also be advised of the reason for, and the estimated duration of, the outage.




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**MANDATORY RIDERS - APPLICABILITY MATRIX**

The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply, Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, and charges listed in the General Rules and Regulations.

 <b>Applicability Matrix</b>	<b>Mandatory Riders</b>	Fuel Adjustment Clause Rider	Energy Efficiency Partnership (EEP) Cost Recovery Rider
<b>Base Tariffs</b>	Section Numbers	13.01	13.04
<b>RESIDENTIAL &amp; FARM SERVICES</b>			
Residential Service	9.01		
Residential Demand Control Service	9.02		
Farm Service	9.03		
<b>GENERAL SERVICES</b>			
Small General Service (Less than 20 kW)	10.01		
General Service (20 kW or Greater)	10.02		
Large General Service	10.03		
Commercial Service - Time of Use	10.04		
Large General Service - Time of Day	10.05		
<b>OTHER SERVICES</b>			
Standby Service	11.01		
Irrigation Service	11.02		
Outdoor Lighting - Energy Only	11.03		
Outdoor Lighting	11.04		
Municipal Pumping Service	11.05		
Fire Sirens - Civil Defense	11.06		
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 <b>Applicability Matrix</b>	<b>Mandatory Riders</b>	<b>Fuel Adjustment Clause Rider</b>	<b>Energy Efficiency Partnership (EEP) Cost Recovery Rider</b>
<b>Base Tariffs</b>	Section Numbers	13.01	13.04
<b>VOLUNTARY RIDERS</b>			
Water Heating - Controlled Service	14.01		
Real Time Pricing Rider	14.02		
Large General Service Rider	14.03	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Controlled Service - Interruptible Load (CT Metering) Rider	14.04		
Controlled Service - Interruptible Load (Self-Contained Metering) Rider	14.05		
Controlled Service - Deferred Load Rider	14.06		
Fixed Time of Delivery Rider	14.07		
Air Conditioning Control Rider	14.08		
Voluntary Renewable Energy Rider	14.09		
Released Energy Rider	14.11		
Bulk Interruptible Application and Pricing Guidelines Rider	14.12		
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### FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE RIDER

There shall be added to or deducted from the monthly bill the amount per kilowatt-hour (rounded to the nearest 0.001¢) that the average cost of fuel is above or below 2.8440¢ per kilowatt-hour. The average cost of fuel per kilowatt-hour for the current period shall be calculated from data covering actual costs from the most recent three month period as follows:

Energy costs from actual months 1, 2 and 3 plus unrecovered (or less over recovered) prior cumulative energy costs plus (or minus) the carrying charge, divided by the associated energy (reduced for average system losses) associated with retail sales for actual months 1, 2 and 3 equals the cost of energy amount.

The applicable adjustment will be applied month to month on a uniform billing cycle to each customer's bill beginning with cycle 1 of the calendar month following the month when the adjustment is calculated. The cost of fuel shall be determined as follows:

1. The expense of fossil and other fuels, including but not limited to, biomass, wood, refuse-derived fuel (RDF), and tire-derived fuel (TDF), as recorded in Account 151 of the FERC's Uniform System of Accounts for Public Utilities and Licensees, used in the Company's generating plants.
2. The utility's share of the expense of fossil fuel, as recorded in Account 151, used in jointly owned or leased plants.
3. The net energy cost of energy purchases when such energy is purchased on an economic dispatch basis, exclusive of capacity or demand charges.
4. The net cost of energy purchases from any facility utilizing wind or other renewable energy conversion systems for the generation of electric energy, whether or not those purchases occur on an economic dispatch basis.
5. Renewable energy purchased for the **TailWinds** program is not included in the fuel adjustment clause rider calculation.
6. Costs or revenues linked to the utility's load serving obligation, associated with participation in wholesale electric energy markets operated by Regional Transmission Organizations, Independent System Operators or similar entities that have received Federal Energy Regulatory Commission approval to operate the energy markets.





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7. The actual identifiable fossil and nuclear fuel expense associated with energy purchased for reasons other than identified in 3 and 4 above.
8. Less the fuel and other related costs recovered through intersystem sales.
9. Eighty-five percent (85%) of the Company's actual annual asset-based margins will be calculated after the close of the calendar year, and any increase or decrease as compared to the \$920,871 base-rate credit will be apportioned and applied equally as adjustments (whether as a credit or an expense) to the Company's Fuel Adjustment Clause Rider calculation each month (1/12) over the following 12-month period. Asset-based margins are defined as revenue minus expenses associated with asset-based transactions energy sales.
10. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the Company's South Dakota jurisdictional non-asset based wholesale margins shall be credited to the Energy Adjustment Rider calculation. The margins will be calculated annually after the close of each calendar year and the twenty-five percent (25%) will be credited only if the calendar year margin is positive; and the twenty-five percent (25%) to be credited will be apportioned and applied equally each month (1/12th) over the following 12-month period. Non-asset based margins are defined as revenue minus expenses associated with non-asset based transactions.

The Company's customers will be served with the lowest cost resources available when the Company is engaged in asset-based transactions. For purposes of comparing which resources are lowest cost under this paragraph and for purposes of determining what order of dispatch constitutes "economic dispatch" under this rate schedule, must-take and take-or-pay energy purchases and must-run resources, such as generation with minimum operating levels, intermittent wind, and run-of-river hydroelectric generation shall always be assigned to retail due to the fact that they have a very low or no avoidable variable cost. Energy purchases that are necessary for reliable and adequate service to retail customers shall be procured at the lowest cost to the extent allowed by state or federal law or regulatory authority.

Where, for any reason, billed system sales cannot be coordinated with fuel and other related costs, sales may be equated to the total of:

1. Net generation
2. Purchases and net interchange in, less
3. Intersystem sales, less
4. Losses on system retail sales



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A carrying charge or credit will be included to determine the monthly fuel adjustment factor. The carrying charge or credit will be determined by applying one twelfth (1/12) of the overall rate of return granted by the Commission in the most recent rate decision to the recorded deferred fuel cost balance of the latest fuel adjustment calculation.



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**ENERGY EFFICIENCY PARTNERSHIP (EEP)  
COST RECOVERY RIDER**

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use under this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This rate schedule is applicable to electric service under all of the Company's retail rate schedules.

**ENERGY EFFICIENCY ADJUSTMENT:** There shall be added to each Customer's bill an Energy Efficiency Adjustment based on the applicable adjustment factor multiplied by the Customer's monthly energy (kWh) usage.

**DETERMINATION OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY ADJUSTMENT:** The Energy Efficiency Adjustment shall be the quotient of the recoverable EEP Tracker Balance, divided by projected retail sales (kWh) for a designated 12-month recovery period. The Adjustment may be updated annually by approval of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (SD PUC). The recoverable EEP Tracker Balance is determined as follows:

1. EEP Tracker account balance as of the end of the prior year;
2. Plus EEP expenditures;
3. Plus financial incentives awarded by the SD PUC;
4. Plus carrying charge;
5. Minus EEP cost recovery through this rider or base rates, if any.

All costs appropriately charged to the EEP Tracker account shall be eligible for recovery through this rider and all revenues received from the application of the Energy Efficiency Adjustment shall be credited to the EEP Tracker account.

**ENERGY EFFICIENCY ADJUSTMENT FACTOR:** Effective with bills rendered on and after October 1, 2008, the Energy Efficiency Adjustment Factor is \$0.00063.

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.




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**VOLUNTARY RIDERS - AVAILABILITY MATRIX**

The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply, Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, and charges listed in the General Rules and Regulations.

 Applicability Matrix	Voluntary Riders	Water Heating - Controlled Service	Real Time Pricing	Large General Service Rider	Controlled Service - Interruptible Load (CT Metering)	Controlled Service - Interruptible Load (Self-Contained Metering)	Controlled Service - Deferred Load	Fixed Time of Delivery	Air Conditioning Control	Renewable Energy	Released Energy	Bulk Interruptible Application and Pricing Guidelines
<b>Base Tariffs</b>		14.01	14.02	14.03	14.04	14.05	14.06	14.07	14.08	14.09	14.11	14.12
<b>RESIDENTIAL &amp; FARM SERVICES</b>												
Residential Service	9.01	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Residential Demand Control Service	9.02	✓							✓	✓		
Farm Service	9.03	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
<b>GENERAL SERVICES</b>												
Small General Service (Less than 20 kW)	10.01	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
General Service (20 kW or Greater)	10.02	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Large General Service	10.03	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Commercial Service - Time of Use	10.04	✓									✓	
Large General Service - Time of Day	10.05	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
<b>OTHER SERVICES</b>												
Standby Service	11.01											
Irrigation Service	11.02									✓	✓	
Outdoor Lighting - Energy Only	11.03											
Outdoor Lighting	11.04											
Municipal Pumping Service	11.05	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Civil Defense - Fire Sirens	11.06											
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**WATER HEATING CONTROL RIDER**

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Separately Metered Water Heating Control Service	70-191
Water Heating Credit Control Service	70-192

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**AVAILABILITY:** This rider is available for residential or nonresidential purposes.

**RATE:**

WATER HEATING - CONTROLLED SERVICE 191		
Customer Charge per Month:	\$1.00	
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer + Facilities Charge	
Facilities Charge per Month:	\$1.00	
Energy Charge per kWh:	Summer	Winter
	5.938 ¢/kWh	5.799 ¢/kWh

WATER HEATING CREDIT 192
A \$4.00 credit per month shall be applied to all bills having direct control water heating, except the credit shall not reduce the monthly billing to less than the Monthly Minimum Charge.

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR RATE 191:** Service under rate 191 shall be supplied through a separate meter.



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**TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR RATE 192:** The Customer will be compensated for taking service on this Rider by receiving monthly bill credit. The credit will be applied on the Customer's account.

**CONTROL CRITERIA:** Service may be controlled for up to a total of 14 hours during any 24-hour period, as measured from midnight to midnight. Under normal circumstances the Company will schedule recovery time following control periods that approach 14 hours.

**DEFINITIONS OF SEASONS:**

Summer: June 1 through September 30.

Winter: October 1 through May 31.

**EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED:** The Company will supply and maintain the necessary standard metering and/or control equipment.





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**REAL TIME PRICING RIDER**

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Transmission Service	70-660
Primary Service	70-662
Secondary Service	70-664

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and condition of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**AVAILABILITY:** This rider is available on a voluntary basis to Customers who have maintained a measured demand of at least 200 kW during the historical period used for Customer Baseline Load (“CBL”) development. Priority will be established based on the date that an agreement is executed by both the Customer and the Company.

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGE:** An Administrative Charge in the amount of \$199.00 will be applied to each monthly bill to cover billing, administrative, metering, and communication costs associated with real-time pricing, plus any other applicable tariff charges.

**TYPE OF SERVICE:** Three-phase, 60 hertz at any available Standard Voltage.

**TERM OF SERVICE:** Service under this rider shall be for a period not less than one year. The Customer shall take service under this rider by either signing new electric service agreements with the Company or by entering into amendments of existing electric service agreements. A Customer who voluntarily cancels service under this rider is not eligible to receive service again under this rider for a period of one year.

**PRICING METHODOLOGY:** Hourly prices are determined for each day based on projections of the hourly system incremental costs, losses according to voltage level, hourly outage costs (when applicable), and profit margin.



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**CUSTOMER BASELINE LOAD:** The Customer Baseline Load is specific to each Real Time Pricing (“RTP”) Customer and is developed using a 12-month period of hourly (8,760) energy levels (kWh) as well as the corresponding twelve monthly billing demands based on the Customer's rate schedule under which it was being billed immediately prior to taking service under the RTP Rider. The Customer’s CBL must be agreed to in writing by the Customer as a precondition of receiving service under this rider.

The Customer’s CBL is a representation of its typical pattern of electricity consumption and is derived from historical usage data. The CBL is used to produce the Standard Bill and from which to measure changes in consumption for purposes of billing under the RTP rider.

**STANDARD BILL:** The Standard Bill is calculated by applying the charges in the rate schedule under which the Customer was being billed immediately prior to taking service under the RTP rider to both the Customer’s CBL demand (adjusted for reactive demand) and the CBL level of energy usage for each month of the RTP service year. The Company will immediately adjust a Customer’s Standard Bill to reflect any changes which are approved by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission to the applicable rate schedule.

**BILL DETERMINATION:** A Real Time Pricing bill will be rendered after each monthly billing period. The bill consists of an Administrative Charge, a Standard Bill, a charge (or credit) for consumption changes from the CBL, and an excess reactive demand charge/credit. The monthly bill is calculated using the following formula:

<b>RTP Bill<sub>Mo</sub> = Adm. Charge + Std Bill<sub>Mo</sub> + Consumption Changes from CBL<sub>Hr</sub> + Excess Reactive Demand</b>	
<b>Where:</b>	
RTP Bill <sub>Mo</sub>	= Customer's monthly bill for service under this Rider
Adm. Chg.	= See Administrative Charge section below
Std. Bill <sub>Mo</sub>	= See Standard Bill section above
Consumption Changes From CBL	= $\Sigma \{Price_{Hr} \times \{Load_{Hr} - CBL_{Hr}\}\}$
Excess Reactive Demand	= See Excess Reactive Demand section below
$\Sigma$	= Sum over all hours of the monthly billing period
Price <sub>Hr</sub>	= Hourly RTP price as defined under Pricing Methodology
Load <sub>Hr</sub>	= Customer's actual load for each hour of the billing period
CBL <sub>Hr</sub>	= Customer's CBL energy usage for each hour of the billing period



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**CONSUMPTION CHANGES FROM CBL:** Hourly RTP prices are applied only to the difference, determined in kWhs for each hour of the billing period, between the Customer's actual energy usage and its CBL energy usage.

**EXCESS REACTIVE DEMAND:** The Reactive Demand shall be the maximum KVAR registered over any period of one hour during the month for which the bill is rendered. A separate charge or credit will be made on the bill to reflect incremental changes from the reactive demand used in the Standard Bill calculation.

**DETERMINATION OF THE CBL:**

1. Development of the Customer's CBL.

For a Customer who elects to take service under this RTP rider, the Company and the Customer will develop a CBL using hourly load data from a representative 12-month period. The representative hourly load data to be used will be historical data that originates within two years (24 months) of the date that the Customer begins receiving service under the RTP rider.

In situations where hourly data are not available for a particular Customer, a CBL will be made by using available aggregate metered usage data and load shapes from Customers with similar usage patterns along with engineering and operating data provided by the Customer and which is verified by the Company.

2. Calendar Mapping of the Base-Year CBL to the RTP service year.

To provide the Customer with the appropriate CBL for each day of the RTP service year, each day of the base-year CBL is calendar-mapped to the corresponding day of the RTP service year. Calendar-mapping is a day-matching exercise performed to assure that Mondays are matched to Mondays, Tuesdays are matched to Tuesdays, holidays to holidays, and so forth. Calendar-mapping also reflects Customer shutdown schedules. Calendar-mapping is performed prior to each year of RTP service, after any necessary adjustments (as defined below) are made to the CBL.



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**CBL ADJUSTMENTS:** In order to assure that the CBL accurately reflects the energy that the Customer would consume on its otherwise applicable rate schedule, adjustments to the CBL shall be made for:

1. The installation of permanent energy efficiency measures or other verifiable conservation or technology efficiency improvement measures. At any time during the RTP service year, Customers can request that CBL adjustments be made to reflect efficiency improvements and that the adjustment coincide with the time of the installation or change-out.
2. The permanent removal of Customer equipment or a change to operating procedures that results in a significant and permanent reduction of electrical load. At any time before or during the RTP service year, the Company will make adjustments to the CBL to coincide with the time that the equipment is removed or changes to operating procedures.
3. The permanent addition of Customer equipment that has been or will be made prior to the *initial* RTP service year is based upon known changes in Customer usage and/or demand that are not directly related to the introduction of RTP.
4. One-time, extraordinary events such as a tornado or other natural causes or disasters outside the control of the Customer or the Company. In these cases, the Company will make adjustments to the CBL as warranted by the circumstance.

**CBL RECONTRACTING:** RTP Customers, at the time of initial subscription and during future re-subscription periods, shall select a recontracting Adjustment Factor that will be used in the CBL adjustment rule defined below for the next RTP service year. The Adjustment Factor shall be a number between zero and one inclusive.

After taking service under the RTP rider for one full year, the CBL for the second (and subsequent) year(s) of RTP service will be based on both the CBL and the actual load. CBLs will be developed for subsequent years based upon the following general rule:

$$CBL_{t+1} = CBL_t + \{ \text{Adjustment Factor} \times (\text{Actual load}_t - CBL_t) \}$$



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**PRICE NOTIFICATION:** The Company shall make available to Customers, no later than 4:00 p.m. (Central Time) of the preceding day, hourly RTP prices for the next business day. Except for unusual periods where an outage is at high risk, the Company will make prices for Saturday through Monday available to Customers on the previous Friday. More than one-day-ahead pricing may also be used for the following holidays: New Year’s Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas.

Because high-outage-risk circumstances prevent the Company from projecting prices more than one day in advance, the Company reserves the right to revise and make available to Customers prices for Sunday, Monday, any of the holidays mentioned above, or for the day following a holiday. Any revised prices shall be made available by the usual means no later than 4:00 p.m. of the day prior to the prices taking effect.

The Company is not responsible for a Customer's failure to receive or obtain and act upon the hourly RTP prices. If a Customer does not receive or obtain the prices made available by the Company, it is the Customer’s responsibility to notify the Company by 4:30 p.m. (Central Time) of the business day preceding the day that the prices are to take effect. The Company will be responsible for notifying the Customer if prices are revised.

**SPECIAL PROVISIONS:**

1. If there is a change in the legal identity of the Customer receiving service under this RTP rider, service shall be terminated unless the Company and the Customer make other mutually agreeable arrangements.
2. All equipment to be served must be of such voltage and electrical characteristics so that it can be served from the circuit provided for the main part of the load and so that the electricity used can be properly measured by the meter ordinarily installed on such a circuit. If the equipment is such that it is impossible to serve from existing circuits, the Customer must provide any necessary transformers, auto transformers, or any other devices so that connection can be made to the circuit provided by the Company.
3. If the Customer’s actual load exceeds the CBL by an amount that requires the Company to install additional facilities to serve the Customer, the Customer will be responsible for any and all costs incurred by the Company to install the facilities.



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**LARGE GENERAL SERVICE RIDER**

DESCRIPTION	Option 1	Option 2
Fixed Rate Energy Pricing	70-648	70-649
System Marginal Energy Pricing	70-642	70-645
Short-term Marginal Capacity Purchases	70-643	70-646
Short-term Marginal Capacity Releases	70-644	70-647

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**AVAILABILITY:** This rider is available at the request of Customers who take service under the rate schedules listed in the Application Section of this tariff and have either (**Option 1**) a metered Demand of at least 1 MW, or (**Option 2**) a Total Coincident Demand of at least 10 MW for multiple, non-contiguous facilities that function in series.

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**ELECTRIC SERVICE AGREEMENT:** For service under this Rider, the Company may, at its discretion, require a written electric service agreement (“ESA”) between the Company and the Customer that sets forth, among other things, the Customer’s Billing Demand, Firm Demand, On-Peak Baseline Demand and Off-Peak Baseline Demand.

**FIXED RATE ENERGY PRICING:**

**Background:** Certain Company industrial and commercial Customers have ESAs that designate, among other things, a Billing Demand, On-Peak and Off-Peak Baseline Demands and a Firm Demand. With On-Peak and Off-Peak Baseline Demands, the Company agrees to provide and the Customer agrees to purchase all of its Energy requirements at rates set forth in the Customer’s applicable rate schedule and/or a negotiated rate subject to Commission approval. Setting a Firm and Baseline Demands benefits both the Company and the Customer. With Firm Demands, the Company is able to curtail participating Customers’ load to predetermined levels which allows the Company to more accurately forecast its native load Capacity and Energy requirements. Baseline Demands assure the Customer a fixed price for Energy up to the Baseline Demand and the ability to purchase Energy above the Baseline Demand at rates set forth in the Customer’s applicable rate schedule and/or a negotiated Energy rate subject to Commission approval.



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**Energy:** A Customer’s monthly rate for Energy will be determined in two parts: (1) Energy consumed up to and including the On-Peak Baseline Demand and Off-Peak Baseline Demand, and (2) Energy consumed above the On-Peak Baseline Demand and Off-Peak Baseline Demand. The price (rate) for Energy consumed up to and including the On-Peak Baseline Demand and Off-Peak Baseline Demand will be determined by multiplying the Customer’s metered Energy consumption by the Energy rate provided in the rate schedule applicable to the Customer and/or a negotiated rate subject to Commission approval. The monthly rate for Energy consumed above the On-Peak Baseline Demand and Off-Peak Baseline Demand will be determined by multiplying the Customer’s metered Energy consumption by the Energy rate provided in the rate schedule applicable to the Customer and/or a negotiated Energy rate subject to Commission approval.

**Demand:** A Customer’s monthly rate for Demand shall be determined by multiplying the Customer’s Billing Demand by the Demand rate provided in the rate schedule applicable to the Customer and/or a negotiated Demand rate subject to Commission approval.

**SYSTEM MARGINAL ENERGY PRICING:**

**Background:** Certain Company industrial and commercial Customers have ESAs that designate, among other things, a Billing Demand, On-Peak and Off-Peak Baseline Demands and a Firm Demand. With On-Peak and Off-Peak Baseline Demands, the Company agrees to provide and the Customer agrees to purchase its Energy requirements up to the Baseline Demand at rates set forth in the Customer’s applicable rate schedule. Setting a Firm and Baseline Demands benefits both the Company and the Customer. With Firm Demands, the Company is able to curtail participating Customers’ load to predetermined levels which allows the Company to more accurately forecast its native load Capacity and Energy requirements. Baseline Demands assure the Customer a fixed price for Energy up to the Baseline Demand and the ability to purchase Energy above the Baseline Demand on a “real time” basis, which can be higher or lower than the rates set forth in the applicable rate schedule. Accordingly, a Customer can adjust its Energy consumption above the Baseline Demand according to the value the Customer places on that Energy in real-time.

**Energy:** A Customer’s monthly rate for Energy will be determined in two parts: (1) Energy consumed up to and including the On-Peak Baseline Demand and Off-Peak Baseline Demand, and (2) Energy consumed above the On-Peak Baseline Demand and Off-Peak Baseline Demand. The price (rate) for Energy consumed up to and including the On-Peak Baseline Demand and Off-Peak Baseline Demand will be determined by



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multiplying the Customer’s metered Energy consumption by the Energy rate provided in the rate schedule applicable to the Customer. The monthly rate for Energy consumed above the On-Peak Baseline Demand and Off-Peak Baseline Demand will be determined by multiplying the Customer’s metered Energy consumption by the Company’s System Marginal Energy Price.

**System Marginal Energy Price Notification:** No later than 4:00 p.m. (Central Time) of the preceding day, the Company shall give its best efforts to make available to Customers the System Marginal Energy Price for the next business day. System Marginal Energy Prices for Saturday through Monday will be made available, whenever possible, the previous Friday. The Company may deviate from this procedure in abnormal operating conditions and for the following holidays: New Year’s Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas.

The Company is not responsible for a Customer’s failure to receive or obtain and act upon the System Marginal Energy Prices. If a Customer does not receive or obtain the prices made available by the Company, it is the Customer’s responsibility to notify the Company by 4:30 p.m. of the business day preceding the day the prices are to take effect. The Company reserves the right to revise its System Marginal Energy Price at any time prior to the Customer’s acceptance and will be responsible for notifying the Customer of such revised prices.

**Administrative Charge:** An Administrative Charge in the amount of \$199.00 will be applied to each monthly bill to cover billing, administrative, metering, and communication costs associated with System Marginal Energy Pricing.

**Demand:** A Customer’s monthly rate for Demand shall be determined by multiplying the Customer’s Billing Demand by the Demand rate provided in the rate schedule applicable to the Customer.

**SHORT-TERM MARGINAL CAPACITY PURCHASES:**

**Background:** Certain Customers have ESAs that establish for the term of the ESA, among other things, a Billing Demand under which the Customer purchases a fixed level of Capacity and a Firm Demand that represents the load-level to which the Customer must curtail on being notified by the Company. On a Short-term basis, the Customer may desire either more or less Capacity than that established in the ESA. The Short-Term Marginal Capacity Purchases and Short-Term Marginal Capacity Releases sections provide a mechanism under which the Customer may, on a Short-term basis, purchase additional Capacity from the Company or third party (the “Marginal Capacity”) or release (sell) Capacity to the Company or third party (the “Released Capacity”).





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**Marginal Capacity:** Where the Customer requests additional Capacity on a Short-term basis, the Customer may reserve additional Capacity, to the extent available, from the Company’s system, or request the Company to purchase available Capacity in the market (the “Marginal Capacity”). Where the Company is unable to provide Marginal Capacity within 60 days of the Customer’s notice under Section 4.3, the Customer may seek Marginal Capacity indirectly from a third party. The Company would work with the third party to effectuate the purchase. In each case, the Company agrees to give to the Customer its best effort in seeking the Marginal Capacity. The Marginal Capacity purchase must be for a minimum of 1000 kW (1MW) and will include charges for Transmission Service, a Reserve Margin and applicable administrative and other costs. The Company does not guarantee the availability of Capacity or Transmission Service for the Marginal Capacity.

**Compensation:** The rate for the Marginal Capacity shall be as negotiated by the parties. Where the Marginal Capacity is provided by a third party, the compensation for such Marginal Capacity shall be as negotiated between the Customer, the Company and the third-party, and the Company shall be compensated for its efforts in assisting the transaction.

**Purchase Period:** The Purchase Period shall be either a Summer Season(s) or Winter Season(s), or combination thereof, unless otherwise agreed to by the Company and the Customer, but in no case will be less than one (1) month.

**Effect of Marginal Capacity:** By purchasing Marginal Capacity, the Customer agrees that its Firm Demand, as established in the ESA, will be increased throughout the Purchase Period by the amount of Marginal Capacity purchased. The Customer will continue to be billed for the Billing Demand established in the ESA. For all eligible Customers not taking service under Rate Designation 14.02 (Real Time Pricing Rider), Energy consumed above the On-Peak Baseline Demand and Off-Peak Baseline Demand will continue to be billed at the System Marginal Energy Price. RTP Rider Customers will continue to be billed under the provisions of Rate Designation 14.02.

**SHORT-TERM MARGINAL CAPACITY RELEASES:**

**Background:** Certain Customers have ESAs that establish for the term of the ESA, among other things, a Billing Demand under which the Customer purchases a fixed level of Capacity and a Firm Demand that represents the load-level to which the Customer must curtail on being notified by the Company. On a Short-term basis, the Customer may desire either more or less Capacity than that established in the ESA. The Short-Term Marginal Capacity Purchases and Short-Term Marginal Capacity Releases sections provide a mechanism under which the Customer may, on a Short-term basis, purchase



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additional Capacity from the Company or third party (the “Marginal Capacity”) or release (sell) Capacity to the Company or the third party (the “Released Capacity”).

**Released Capacity:** Where the Customer requests to release Capacity on a short-term basis, the Customer may release some but not all of the Capacity (the “Released Capacity”), and the Company agrees to give its best effort in finding a purchaser of the Released Capacity. Where the Company is unable or unwilling to purchase the Released Capacity for its own use or to resell it off-system at wholesale, or otherwise find a purchaser, within 60 days of the Customer’s notice under Section 4.3, the Customer may have a third party market the Capacity. The Company would work with the third-party to effectuate the sale of the Released Capacity. The Released Capacity must be a minimum of 1000 KW (1MW).

**Compensation:** As compensation for the Released Capacity, the Customer shall receive a credit or payment during any billing month in which the Customer and the Company have cooperated to make a Released term Capacity sale, adjusted to take into account the Company’s applicable administrative and other costs. Where the Company purchases the Released Capacity, the rate will be as negotiated between the Company and the Customer. No credit will be given to the Customer for any Energy sold by the Company under the Released Capacity, and the Customer will have no cost responsibility associated with the sale of such Energy. Where the Released Capacity is marketed by a third party, the compensation for such Released Capacity shall be as negotiated between the Customer, the Company and the third-party, and the Company shall be compensated for its efforts in assisting the Released Capacity transaction.

**Release Period:** The Release Period shall be either a Summer Season(s) or Winter Season(s), or combination thereof, unless otherwise agreed to by the Company and the Customer, but in no case will be less than one (1) month.

**Effect of Release Capacity:** By selling Released Capacity, the Customer agrees that its Firm Demand, as established in the ESA, will be reduced throughout the Release Period by the amount of Released Capacity. The Customer will continue to be billed for the Billing Demand established in the ESA.

**PENALTY FOR INSUFFICIENT LOAD CONTROL:** Upon notification from the Company, the Customer shall curtail its Demand to its Firm Demand, as adjusted to take into consideration any Marginal Capacity or Released Capacity. In the event the Customer fails to curtail its load as requested by the Company, the Customer will forfeit any compensation for that period, if any is due. In addition, the Customer shall be responsible for any and all costs and/or penalties incurred by the Company as result of the Customer’s failure to curtail. The duration and frequency of curtailments shall be at the sole discretion of the Company unless otherwise provided in the ESA between the Company and the Customer.



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**TRANSACTION COSTS:** Where the Company gives its best efforts to arrange either a Marginal Capacity purchase or Released Capacity sale but is nonetheless unable to find a market for the Customer, the Company is entitled to its associated transaction costs.

**NOTIFICATION REQUIRED BY CUSTOMER:** In order to improve the possibility there will be a market for the Released Capacity or Marginal Capacity available, the Customer shall provide notice of its intent to sell Released Capacity or purchase Marginal Capacity no later than six months before the start date of the next applicable Winter Season or Summer Season, the six-month requirement to be waived at the Company’s discretion.

**COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENTS:** The Customer agrees to use Company-specified communication requirements and procedures when submitting any offer for Released Capacity or Marginal Capacity. These requirements may include specific computer software and/or electronic communication procedures.

**METERING REQUIREMENTS:** Company approved metering equipment capable of providing load interval information is required for Rider participation. The Customer agrees to pay for the additional cost of such metering when not provided in conjunction with existing retail electric service.

**LIABILITY:** The Company and the Customer agree that the Company has no liability for indirect, special, incidental, or consequential loss or damages to the Customer, including but not limited to the Customer's operations, site, production output, or other claims by the Customer as a result of participation in this Rider.

**FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE RIDER:** Energy consumed up to and including the On-Peak Baseline Demand and Off-Peak Baseline Demand is subject to the Fuel Adjustment Clause Rider as provided in Section 13.01, or any amendments or superseding provisions applicable thereto. Because Energy consumed above the On-Peak Baseline Demand and Off-Peak Baseline Demand is subject to the System Marginal Energy Price and calculated on a real-time basis, it is not subject to the Fuel Adjustment Clause Rider as provided for in Mandatory Riders – Applicability Matrix, Section 13.00.

**CUSTOMER EQUIPMENT:** Customers taking service under this Rider shall provide equipment to maintain a power factor at a level no less than the level in which penalties would be invoked under the tariff, if applicable.



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**CONTROLLED SERVICE - INTERRUPTIBLE LOAD**

**CT METERING RIDER**

(Commonly identified as Large Dual Fuel)

DESCRIPTION	Option 1	Option 2
CT Metering without ancillary load	70-170	N/A
CT Metering without ancillary load (with short duration cycling)	70-165	N/A
Penalty	70-881	N/A
CT Metering with ancillary load		
Uncontrolled period	N/A	70-168
Controlled period	N/A	70-268
CT Metering with ancillary load (with short duration cycling)		
Uncontrolled period	N/A	70-169
Controlled period	N/A	70-269

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**AVAILABILITY:** This rider is available for Residential or nonresidential service to any approved permanently connected interruptible load; such loads are primarily the electric heating portion of dual fuel heating systems. Electric heating systems may include heat pumps used for heating and/or cooling. Domestic electric water heating, and/or other permanently connected approved loads other than the exceptions noted below in Option 2, will be interrupted during control periods. When service to the electric space heating equipment on this rate is interrupted, the back-up heating system cannot be electric.

**Option 1:** Electric fans, pumps and other ancillary equipment used in the distribution of conditioned air and/or water shall be wired for service through the Customer's firm service tariff.

**Option 2:** The Company retains the authority to allow a portion of the load used to deliver conditioned air and/or water during the control period to remain on during control periods in situations where 1) it is functionally or financially unfeasible to separately serve the equipment's control systems, or other critical ancillary equipment associated with this load, or 2) if the separation would violate the manufacturer's Underwriters Laboratory (UL) approval or other industry recognized operating standards.



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During the control period the amount of ancillary load shall not exceed 5% of the metered maximum demand measured during any period within the most recent 12 months. (For example, although a minimal amount of fan and/or pump load may be allowed under this provision, it is not intended to be applied to larger loads such as the non-conditioned fan load on low-temperature grain drying.)

If the Customer does not have a back-up heating system, it is not automatic, or it is inadequate, then the Company requires a primary electric heating Customer served on an interruptible rate to complete a Controlled Service Agreement acknowledging that the Customer is aware of the potential for property damage.

**RATE:**

<b>OPTION 1</b>		
<b>Customer Charge per Month:</b>	\$3.00	
<b>Monthly Minimum Bill:</b>	Customer + Facilities Charge	
<b>Facilities Charge per Annual Maximum kW per Month:</b>	\$0.08	
	Summer	Winter
<b>Energy Charge per kWh:</b>	3.583 ¢/kWh	3.445 ¢/kWh
<b>Penalty kWh</b>	39.031 ¢/kWh	12.325 ¢/kWh



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OPTION 2			
Customer Charge per Month:	\$4.00		
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer + Facilities Charge		
Facilities Charge per Month per annual maximum kW:	\$0.08		
	Summer	Winter	
Energy Charge per kWh:	3.844 ¢/kWh	3.696 ¢/kWh	
Control Period Demand Charge per kW:	\$7.06 /kW	\$2.85 /kW	

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**DEFINITIONS OF SEASONS:**

Summer: June 1 through September 30.

Winter: October 1 through May 31.

**PENALTY PERIODS – OPTION 1 ONLY:** Penalty periods are defined as periods when the Company signals to interrupt the Customer's load and the Customer's equipment does not shed the load. Installation of a dual register meter will be at the option of the Company. When a dual register meter is installed, penalty usage will be recorded on the peak register and the total register of the dual register meters.

The penalty provision is not intended as a buy-through option. Under no circumstances should the penalty clause of this rider be interpreted as an approved buy-through option for service under this rider.

**CONTROL CRITERIA:** Service may be controlled up to a total of 24 hours during any 24-hour period, as measured from midnight to midnight. Short-duration cycling is approximately 15 minutes off / 15 minutes on of appropriate cooling equipment during the summer season (June 1-September 30). Domestic water heating may be controlled up to 14 hours in the 24-hour period.



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**DETERMINATION OF FACILITIES CHARGE:** The monthly measured demand will be based on the maximum 15 consecutive minute period measured by a suitable demand meter for the month for which the bill is rendered. The Facilities charge demand shall be based on the greatest of the current and preceding 11 monthly measured demands.

**DETERMINATION OF CONTROL PERIOD DEMAND – OPTION 2 ONLY:** The billing demand measured during the control period for which the bill is rendered shall be the maximum metered kW for any period of 15 consecutive minutes during the control period.

**EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED:** The Company will supply and maintain the necessary standard metering and control equipment.



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**CONTROLLED SERVICE – INTERRUPTIBLE LOAD  
SELF-CONTAINED METERING RIDER**  
(Commonly identified as Small Dual Fuel)

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Controlled Service	70-190
Controlled Service – (Short Duration Cycling)	70-185
Penalty	70-882

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**AVAILABILITY:** This rider is available for Residential or nonresidential service to any approved permanently connected interruptible load; such loads are primarily the electric heating portion of dual fuel heating systems. Electric heating systems may include heat pumps used for both heating and/or cooling. Domestic electric water heating other than the exceptions noted below, and/or other permanently connected approved loads can be interrupted during control periods. Electric fans, pumps, and other ancillary equipment used in the distribution of heat shall be wired for service through the Customer's firm service tariff.

The Company retains the authority to allow a portion of the load to remain on during control periods in situations where 1) it is unfeasible to separately serve the equipment's control systems, or other critical ancillary equipment associated with this load, or 2) if the separation would violate the manufacturer's Underwriters Laboratory (UL) approval or other industry recognized operating standards. Although a minimal amount of fan and pump load may be allowed under this provision, it is not intended to be applied to larger fan or pump loads such as those on low temperature grain drying or heating loops.

When service to the electric space heating equipment on this rate is interrupted, the back-up heating system cannot be electric.

The Company requires a primary electric heating Customer served on an interruptible rate to complete a Controlled Service Agreement acknowledging that the Customer is aware of the potential for property damage if the Customer does not have a back-up heating system, it is not automatic, or it is inadequate.

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**RATE:**

CONTROLLED SERVICE - INTERR LOAD – SELF-CONTAINED			
Customer Charge per Month:	\$2.00		
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer + Facilities Charge		
Facilities Charge per Month:	\$3.50		
	<b>Summer</b>		<b>Winter</b>
Energy Charge per kWh:	4.234 ¢/kWh		3.993 ¢/kWh
Penalty Charge per kWh:	38.031 ¢/kWh		12.382 ¢/kWh

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**DEFINITIONS OF SEASONS:**

Summer: June 1 through September 30.

Winter: October 1 through May 31.

**PENALTY PERIODS:** Penalty periods are defined as periods when the Company signals to interrupt the Customer’s load and the Customer’s equipment does not shed load. When a dual register meter is installed, penalty usage will be recorded on the peak register, and the total register of the dual register meters.

The penalty provision is not intended as a buy-through option. Under no circumstances should the penalty clause of this rider be interpreted as an approved buy-through option for service under this rider.

**CONTROL CRITERIA:** Service may be controlled up to a total of 24 hours during any 24-hour period, as measured from midnight to midnight. Short-duration cycling is approximately 15 minutes off / 15 minutes on of appropriate cooling equipment during the summer season (June 1-September 30). Domestic water heating may be controlled up to 14 hours in the 24-hour period.

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**EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED:** The Company will supply and maintain the necessary standard metering and control equipment.

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**CONTROLLED SERVICE  
DEFERRED LOAD RIDER**  
(Commonly identified as Thermal Storage)

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Deferred Loads	70-197
Deferred Loads (Short Duration Cycling)	70-195
Penalty	70-883

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**AVAILABILITY:** This rider is available for Residential and nonresidential service to any approved permanently connected deferred loads that can be served under the limited conditions provided; such loads are primarily electric water heating and thermal storage.

Deferred loads may include heat pumps, domestic electric water heating, and other permanently connected loads that can be interrupted. Subject to the exception below, electric fans, pumps, and other ancillary equipment used in the distribution of heat shall be wired for service through the Customer's firm service meter.

The Company retains the authority to allow a portion of the load to remain on during control periods in situations where 1) it is unfeasible to separately serve the equipment's control systems, or other critical ancillary equipment associated with this load, or 2) if the separation would violate the manufacturer's Underwriters Laboratory (UL) approval or other industry recognized operating standards. Although a minimal amount of fan and pump load may be allowed under this provision, it is not intended to be applied to larger loads such as the fan load on low temperature grain drying.



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Controlled Service – Deferred Load Rider

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**RATE:**

CONTROLLED SERVICE - DEFERRED LOAD			
Customer Charge per Month:	\$2.50		
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer + Facilities Charge		
Facilities Charge per Month:	\$3.00		
	Summer		Winter
Energy Charge per kWh:	4.848 ¢/kWh		4.705 ¢/kWh
Penalty kWh	34.108 ¢/kWh		11.053 ¢/kWh

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**DEFINITIONS OF SEASONS:**

Summer: June 1 through September 30.

Winter: October 1 through May 31.

**PENALTY PERIODS:** Penalty periods are defined as periods when the Company signals to interrupt the Customer’s load and the Customer’s equipment does not shed load. When a dual register meter is installed, penalty usage will be recorded on the peak register, and the total register of the dual register meters.

The penalty provision is not intended as buy-through option. Under no circumstances should the penalty provision is not intended as buy-through option. Under no circumstances should the penalty clause of this rider be interpreted as an approved buy-through option for service under this rider.



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**CONTROL CRITERIA:** Service may be controlled for up to a total of 14 hours during any 24-hour period, as measured from midnight to midnight. Under normal circumstances, the Company will schedule recovery time following control periods that approach 14 continuous hours. Short-duration cycling is 15 minutes off / 15 minutes on of appropriate cooling equipment during the summer season (June 1-September 30).

**EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED:** Otter Tail will supply and maintain the necessary standard metering and control equipment.

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**FIXED TIME OF DELIVERY RIDER**  
 (Commonly identified as Fixed TOD)

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>RATE CODE</b>
Fixed Time of Delivery Service – Self-Contained Metering	70-301
Penalty	70-884
Fixed Time of Delivery Service – CT Metering	70-302
Penalty	70-885
Fixed Time of Delivery Service – Primary CT Metering	70-303
Penalty	70-886

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this rider and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**AVAILABILITY:** This rider is available to Customers with permanently connected thermal storage space heating technologies that are designed and installed with the capability to be operated under the limitations and terms of this rider. Rider threshold determinations will be made based on connected load and service level and will be independent of actual registered demand or energy usage.

**RATE:**

<b>FIXED TIME OF DELIVERY SERVICE - Self-Contained Metering</b>			
<b>Customer Charge per Month:</b>			\$1.00
<b>Monthly Minimum Bill:</b>		Customer + Facilities Charge	
<b>Facilities Charge per Month:</b>			\$3.00
		Summer	Winter
<b>Energy Charge per kWh:</b>		2.915 ¢/kWh	3.087 ¢/kWh
<b>Penalty:</b>		9.259 ¢/kWh	7.196 ¢/kWh



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FIXED TIME OF DELIVERY SERVICE – CT Metering		
Customer Charge per Month:	\$1.50	
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer + Facilities Charge	
Facilities Charge per Month:	\$15.00	
	Summer	Winter
Energy Charge per kWh:	2.915 ¢/kWh	3.087 ¢/kWh
Penalty:	9.259 ¢/kWh	7.196 ¢/kWh

FIXED TIME OF DELIVERY SERVICE – Primary CT Metering		
Customer Charge per Month:	\$3.00	
Monthly Minimum Bill:	Customer + Facilities Charge	
Facilities Charge per Month:	\$7.00	
	Summer	Winter
Energy Charge per kWh:	2.904 ¢/kWh	3.074 ¢/kWh
Penalty:	9.247 ¢/kWh	7.184 ¢/kWh

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**DEFINITIONS OF SEASONS:**

Summer: June 1 through September 30.  
 Winter: October 1 through May 31.

**PENALTY PERIODS:** Penalty periods are defined as periods when the Company signals to interrupt the Customer’s load and the Customer’s equipment does not shed the load. Penalty usage will be recorded on the peak register and the total register of the dual register meters. Installation of a dual register meter will be at the option of the Company.



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The penalty provision is not intended as buy-through option. Under no circumstances should the penalty clause of this rider be interpreted as an approved buy-through option for service under this rider.

**CONTROL CRITERIA:** The Customer will receive electric service from 10:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m. each day. In all other hours, the Customer's load will be controlled.

**EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED:** The Company will supply and maintain the necessary standard metering and control equipment.





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**AIR CONDITIONING CONTROL RIDER**  
(Commonly identified as *CoolSavings*)

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Air Conditioning Control Rider	70-760

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**AVAILABILITY:** This rider is available to Residential Customers only with central cooling equipment.

**COMPENSATION:** The Customer will be compensated for taking service on this rider by receiving a \$7.00 per month bill credit during the billing months June through September. The credit will be applied on the Customer’s account.

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

1. Summer Season hours of interruptions per year shall not exceed 300, except during periods of Company system emergencies. Central cooling equipment will be cycled approximately 15 minutes on / 15 minutes off.
2. The Company will install, own, and maintain the load management devices controlling the Customer’s central cooling equipment.
3. The Customer is required to remain on the rider for 12 consecutive months unless given special approval by the Company. If the Customer leaves the program, they may not participate for another 12 months and may not receive any form of compensation as determined by the Company.
4. The Company has the right to test the function of the load management devices at any time.
5. The Customer must agree to allow the Company to control all central cooling equipment at the location of service.



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**VOLUNTARY RENEWABLE ENERGY RIDER**  
(Commonly identified as TailWinds Program)

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Voluntary Renewable Energy Rider	70-720

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**AVAILABILITY:** This rider is available to all Customers on a voluntary basis for those averaging 100 Kilowatt-hours (kWh) or more of usage per month. The renewable energy service provided under this schedule is subject to the availability of renewable energy designated to it, as determined by the Company, and is made available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**RATE:** The charge for the renewable energy under this schedule is \$1.30 per 100 kWh contracted block. This charge per 100 kWh is in addition to the applicable rate schedule currently serving the Customer. All charges under existing tariffs remain in effect.

This Voluntary Renewable Energy Rider is not subject to the Fuel Adjustment Clause Rider, Section 13.01.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

1. Service under this schedule shall be for a period not less than 12 consecutive months, automatically renewed monthly. After the first full year of service, Customers may cancel service under this schedule by providing oral or written notice to the Company of their intent to no longer take service no less than 30 days prior to the Customers' normal monthly billing date.
2. The schedule is unavailable to Customers where the Customer: (1) has received one or more disconnect notices within the last 12 months or (2) has been disconnected within the last 12 months.
3. Where the renewable energy under the schedule is unavailable to the Company for more than 30 consecutive days, the Company will provide an appropriate credit on the Customer's next monthly statement.



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**RELEASED ENERGY ACCESS PROGRAM (REAP) RIDER**

DESCRIPTION	RATE
	CODE
Released Energy Access Program Rider	70-770

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**AVAILABILITY:** This rider is available to any Customer who agrees to release a minimum of 500 Kilowatts (kW) over the Release Period. A minimum of five megawatts (MW) of total load reduction may be required over the Release Period at Company’s discretion. For example, if two Customers each agree to release one MW and another Customer agrees to release two MW, all over the same Release Period, the rider may be inapplicable because only four MW in total were released.

Both the Company and the Customer have the option to request the release of energy under the rider. The Customer is not obligated to release and the Company is not obligated to purchase the energy until the parties agree on Compensation, the Release Period, and other applicable terms. Customer participation is voluntary.

**COMPENSATION:**

**Compensation for Off-System Sales**

As compensation for participation, the Customer shall receive a credit or payment during any billing month in which Customer and Company have cooperated to make a short-term off-system energy sale, or other mutually agreed method of Compensation. The Compensation shall be a per megawatt-hour (MWh) credit or payment for each hour subject to an off-system energy sale. The Compensation shall equal a negotiated percentage of the sale margin for each hour that such sale opportunity occurs.



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Compensation for Avoided Energy Purchases

The Company may request, and the Customer may voluntarily reduce, Customer's energy requirement during periods when Company is purchasing energy to meet its firm energy requirement, thereby enabling Company and its Customers to avoid higher cost energy purchases. Company shall provide the Customer Compensation in the form of a credit or cash payment for the reduced energy usage. The Compensation shall equal a negotiated percentage up to 90% of the avoided energy purchase cost for each hour that such an avoided purchase occurs. The Compensation provided shall be allowed as a recoverable cost for Fuel Adjustment Clause purposes.

Release Period

The Release Period is the period during which the Company agrees to purchase energy from the Customer.

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**CONDITIONS:**

1. Purchase is Nonfirm. If a Customer makes energy available for sale but no sale of the released energy or avoided purchase is actually completed (for example, due to transmission constraints), the Compensation shall be zero. In the event that a scheduled released energy sale or avoided energy purchase is not completed or the terms and conditions change, the Company shall so notify the Customer as soon as possible.
2. Committed Load Reduction. The Committed Load Reduction is the load reduction the Customer and the Company agree the Customer will provide for the Release Period, relative to the Released Energy Profile. The Committed Load Reduction must be 500 kW or greater.
3. Released Energy Profile/Controllable Service Limit. The Company will determine a Released Energy Profile (“REP”) for each Release Period. The REP may be developed by using load interval data from the five-day rolling average of uninterrupted, nonholiday weekday loads up to the day before a Release Period begins or in another manner as



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determined by the Company. The rolling average will exclude days not representative of load characteristics expected during the Release Period, such days to be determined solely by the Company.

The Company has controllable electric retail service options that define a Customer's firm demand level as the maximum allowable load during control periods. If the Customer receives this type of controllable service from the Company, the REP may not exceed its predetermined firm demand for load intervals that occur during an applicable control period.

4. Notice. When opportunities for released energy are anticipated, the Company shall provide advance notice, if possible, of the approximate margins or available energy purchase costs and hours of sale or purchase opportunity available to interested Customers. Opportunities for voluntary load reductions shall be given simultaneously to all eligible Customers. When possible, notice shall also be made via phone calls to individuals designated by the Customer.

The Customer may also notify the Company when the Customer desires to reduce energy requirements for released energy sales or avoided energy purchase opportunities. The Customer may, in lieu of daily elections, have a "standing agreement" with the Company regarding the conditions for releasing energy, including the Release Period, required margins, margin sharing, etc. These standing agreements, along with daily elections, may be made on a Customer-by-Customer basis and shall be considered by the Company on a confidential basis without notice to other Customers.

5. Communication Requirements. The Customer agrees to use Company-specified communication requirements and procedures when submitting any offer for released energy. These requirements may include specific computer software and/or electronic communication procedures.
6. Metering Requirements. Company approved metering equipment capable of providing load interval information is required for rider participation. The Customer agrees to pay for the additional cost of such metering when not provided in conjunction with existing retail electric service.
7. Liability. The Company and the Customer agree that the Company has no liability for indirect, special, incidental, or consequential loss or damages to the Customer, including



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but not limited to the Customer's operations, site, production output, or other claims by the Customer as a result of participation in this rider.

8. Provision of Ancillary Services. The Company and the Customer agree that rider participation does not represent any form of Customer self-provision of ancillary services that may be included in any retail electric service provided to the Customer.
9. Dispute Resolution. The Company and the Customer agree that any disputes arising out of this rider shall be settled by arbitration under the terms and provisions of the American Arbitration Association.
10. Penalty For Insufficient Load Control. In the event that the Company has entered into a sale or purchase agreement for energy made available by a Customer, and the Customer subsequently fails to maintain sufficient load control during the time(s) of the released energy sale or avoided energy purchase, the Customer will be paid for load curtailed. The Customer will be responsible to pay the Company for replacement energy to satisfy the sale or purchase agreement at the market price, or the original Compensation during the period, whichever is greater.



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**BULK INTERRUPTIBLE SERVICE  
APPLICATION AND PRICING GUIDELINES**

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Bulk Interruptible Service	70-680

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this schedule and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**AVAILABILITY:** This rider will be applicable to Customers with interruptible loads of 750 kW or larger by signed contract only.

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**CONTRACT PERIOD AND FUTURE RESPONSIBILITIES:** Contracts will be for a maximum period of five years, renewable only at the Company's option. The customer will be responsible for all energy supply after the contract period. The Company will not guarantee any energy supply to replace the bulk interruptible service after the contract expires.

**ENERGY RATE DETERMINATION:** An energy rate will be negotiated separately with each Customer in order to maximize the margin. The minimum energy rate that will be accepted is the energy cost of service plus a margin of \$0.002 per kWh.

**FIXED CHARGE DETERMINATION:** A monthly fixed charge will be established to recover the Company's investment related costs. This charge will be determined based on a monthly rate of 1.5% (18% annually) applied to the total installed cost of all Company-supplied equipment.

**ENERGY ESCALATION:** A maximum energy escalation rate of 4% per six-month period may be established. The actual escalation rate will be determined by the competitive price conditions, contract language and negotiations with the Customer.





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**MINIMUMS:** The fixed charge will constitute the minimum payment. In addition, the Customer must agree to utilize electricity as long as the total cost of the electricity offered under this rate is competitive with the Customer's existing alternate fuel.

**OTHER PROVISIONS:** Customers will be responsible for backup service when supply of bulk energy is interrupted. The Company will control the interruptions. The Company will not be liable for any loss or damage to the Customer due to interruptions.



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**RETAIL ELECTRIC SERVICE TO COMMUNITIES**  
*(Alphabetically listed by city name.)*

\* Denotes Customer Service Center

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Astoria	Grenville	Ortley	Victor
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Brandt	Hammer	Peever	Ward
Britton	Hayti		Waubay
Bruce	Hetland		Wentworth
Bushnell	Hillhead	Reville	White Rock
<u>C</u>	<u>L</u>	Rosholt	Wilmot
Castlewood	LaBolt	Roslyn	
Claire City	Lake City	Rutland	
Clear Lake	Lake Norden	<u>S</u>	
Corona	Lake Preston	Sisseton	
<u>D</u>	<u>M</u>	South Shore	
Dempster	Marvin	Stockholm	
DeSmet	Milbank*	Strandburg	
<u>E</u>	<u>N</u>	Summit	
Eden	Newark	<u>T</u>	
Egan	New Effington	Toronto	
Elkton	Nunda	Trent	
Erwin		Twin Brooks	

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City of Britton Britton	Street Light	11/24/2001 11/24/2011	Municipal Ownership: \$7.70 per month for HPS23 fixtures and \$10.92 per month for HPS44 fixtures. Contract period of 10 years
Town of Brandt Brandt	Street Light	7/1/2002 7/1/2012	Contract period of 10 years.
Town of Bushnell Bushnell	Street Light	10/1/2002 10/1/2012	Contract period of 10 years.
City of DeSmet DeSmet	Street Light	2/1/2003 2/1/2013	Municipal Ownership: \$9.72 per month for HPS23 fixtures (city owns poles), \$7.09 per month for HPS23 fixtures (city owns fixtures and poles) and \$9.91 per month for HPS44 fixtures. Streetlight Change-out Program: \$6.30 for HPS9 fixtures. Otter Tail Power Company Owned - Metered: \$4.25 for HPS9 fixture. Contract period of 10 years.
Town of Eden Eden	Street Light	10/26/2002 10/26/2012	Contract period of 10 years.
City of Elkton Elkton	Street Light	9/1/2002 9/1/2012	Contract period of 10 years.

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City of Gary Gary	Street Light	12/9/2000 12/9/2010	Municipal Ownership: \$6.25 per month for HPS9 fixtures. Contract period of 10 years.
Town of LaBolt LaBolt	Street Light	2/7/2003 2/7/2013	Contract period of 10 years.

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Town of New Effington New Effington	Street Light	5/1/2002 5/1/2012	Contract period of 10 years.
City of Oldham Oldham	Street Light	5/15/2002 5/15/2012	Contract period of 10 years.
Valley Queen Cheese Boiler - Milbank	Bulk Interruptible	6/1/2005 6/30/2009	See 1st Revised Sheet No. 50.7 Code 42-680

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Town of Ward Ward	Street Light	5/1/2001 5/1/2011	Contract period of 10 years.
City of Waubay Waubay	Street Light	1/2/2003 1/2/2013	Contract period of 10 years. Otter Tail Power Company Owned - Metered: \$4.25 for HPS9 fixture.
Town of Wentworth Wentworth	Street Light	7/1/2002 7/1/2012	Contract period of 10 years.