OZARK BORDER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE
Poplar Bluff, Missouri
POLICY BULLETIN NO. C30

SUBJECT: Single Phase Line Extension for permanent residences, mobile homes, seasonal residences, cabins, and shops

RESPONSIBILITY: General Managers and Employees

POLICY: C30

A. A permanent service would be connected on a year-round basis to a structure that is connected to a permanent water supply and an accessible road. The structure must be at least 1,000 square feet of enclosed space. A permanent water supply is one under pressure, such as a drilled well, a county water system, a city water system, or another public water system. An accessible road is accessible by car under normal wet or dry conditions.

B. Every line extension shall at all times be the property of the Cooperative regardless of whether a deposit or contribution is made in aid of its construction.

C. Before the Cooperative will begin construction on a permanent service, the member requesting service is responsible for:
1. Providing all necessary easements and rights-of-way as specified herein;
2. Ensuring year-round access to Cooperative facilities as specified herein;
3. Clearing initial right-of-way as specified herein;
4. Providing an accessible road to the service location as specified herein;
5. Paying all required contributions in aid of construction as specified herein;
6. Properly installing and grounding the meter base (in cases of Meter on Building);
7. In the case of mobile homes, the mobile home must be on the property in its permanent location;
8. Complying with all Cooperative policies and procedures.
9. Starting construction on the structure, with foundation in place.

D. For purposes of measuring extensions, the distance shall be measured along lines of probable construction from the nearest feasible point of connection to the point of delivery. The point of delivery is the metering point when service is furnished at secondary voltage. All wiring, poles, lines, and other equipment (except metering equipment) on the load side of the delivery point shall be owned and maintained by the member.

E. **Service Extensions Less Than 650 Feet**.
The Cooperative will extend its lines to any permanent service within 650 feet of its existing lines without requiring a contribution in aid of construction from the member.

F. **Service Extension over 650 Feet**:
The Cooperative will extend its lines to any permanent service over 650 feet from existing lines, provided a contribution in aid of construction is paid by the member.

1. The contribution in aid of construction will be for the line constructed beyond the first 650 feet. There is no contribution required on the first 650 feet. The amount payable by the member will be 50% of the construction cost for that portion of the line over the first 650 feet, up to 2,500 feet. Any line extension exceeding 2,500 feet will require a contribution in aid of construction to be paid by the member of 75% for the line extension exceeding 2,500 feet.

2. The line construction cost for calculating the contribution in aid of construction to be paid by the member is as follows:

    a. Single-Phase Overhead Line **as per the fee schedule**
    b. Single-Phase Underground Line **as per the fee schedule**

G. **Underground Services:**

1. Underground service will be provided by the Cooperative only in those areas and on those jobs that are determined to be feasible for underground lines. Members may be required to open and close the trench in rocky areas or in areas determined by the Cooperative to be unfeasible.

2. If the Cooperative provides an underground service, the member would be responsible for 100% of future relocation costs as a result of the member requesting the underground lines to be relocated.

3. If the Cooperative provides an underground line, the member would be responsible for all landscaping and trench cover as a result of the underground digging.

4. The Cooperative will build underground service only to permanent structures. To be considered a permanent structure, a mobile home would have to be on a foundation with wheels removed.

5. No underground lines will be installed in roads, drives, or ditches. However, roads, drives, or ditches may be crossed but will not form part of the line.

H. **Right-of-Way**

1. The member requesting service will provide the Cooperative with signed easements from all property owners who are affected by the line construction on the Cooperative's easement form.

2. The member will provide year-round access to the Cooperative's lines and meters.

3. The member will provide an accessible road to the location of the service.

4. The member is responsible for cutting the first right-of-way 40 feet wide for overhead and 20 feet wide for underground. All trees will be removed entirely from the right-of-way.

5. The member will be responsible for payment of or reimbursing the Cooperative for any payment of fees for easements or permits required by any government agency, corporation, individual, or anyone requiring payment for easements or permits required to build the service requested.

I. Contribution in aid of construction may not be required on an extension of Cooperative lines over 600 feet if:

1. The line extension would be to a subdivision, which will result in more than one member being served from the line in the near future. The subdivision needs to have a recorded plat, roads, ditches, utility easements designated, and the area where the electric line to be installed is put to grade.

2. The line extension is included in the Cooperative's Annual Work Plan and Engineering Study as a tie line or upgrade.

J. **Meter Loop, Pedestal and Meter Base Charge:**

1. Meter Loop Charge – There will be no charge for installations requiring a meter loop to be installed on a pole with a 200-amp breaker
2. Underground Pedestal -There will be no charge for installations requiring an underground pedestal with a 200-amp breaker
3. Meter Base Charge – if the member wishes to have the meter attached to the permanent structure (excluding mobile homes) A per-foot construction fee, as per the fee schedule, will be charged.

No poles or pad mount transformers would be located closer than 25 feet from any structure.

K. **MOBILE HOME SERVICE**:

1. This section applies to all mobile home services. Mobile homes may qualify for treatment as permanent residences under Sections A-C. Mobile homes not on permanent foundations shall be considered non-permanent installations and may require full contribution in aid of construction for line extension costs.

2. The construction of lines to mobile homes will be overhead unless the extension originates from an underground line. Those that require underground service will require a contribution in aid of construction, as per the fee schedule, to be paid by the member.

3. The meters for mobile homes will be located on the pole on overhead construction and at the transformer on underground construction.

4. The location of the meter for a mobile home will be on an existing pole or on a pad mount transformer if one is located within secondary distance of the location of the mobile home.

L. **CONSTRUCTION CHARGES**: There shall be no charge for standard meter loops or underground pedestals with a 200-amp breaker. Any services requiring boring, 320-amp meter socket, or CT/PT metering will result in the member paying any additional costs incurred above and beyond the standard installation costs as specified in the fee schedule.

Curtis Clark

Curtis Clark, Secretary

October 26, 1981
May 22, 1989
September 25, 1995
September 25, 2000
March 1, 2006
July 1, 2007
February 1, 2008
February 28, 2011
August 1, 2015
April 26, 2021
December 29, 2025