OZARK BORDER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE
Poplar Bluff, Missouri
POLICY BULLETIN NO. C31

SUBJECT: Line Extension to other permanent installations such as irrigation wells, grain bins, commercial business, industrial loads, churches, commercial chicken complexes, or other permanent installations.

RESPONSIBILITY: General Manager and Employees

POLICY: C31

A. A permanent installation is one that would be used on a year-round basis, has permanent water supply, accessible road, and sufficient improvements. These types of installations would be ones that would be expected to require enough electricity so the Cooperative would recover the investment in plant.

B. **Service Extension without Contribution in Aid of Construction** - The Cooperative will extend its lines to any permanent installation without a contribution in aid of construction to be paid by the member provided the extension is less than the following distances:

1. Single-Phase Overhead	800 feet
2. Single-Phase Underground	700 feet
3. Three-Phase Overhead	700 feet
4. Three-Phase Underground	450 feet

The line will be built as soon as the member has complied with all other policies of the Cooperative and has made improvements such as permanent water supply, an accessible road, and construction started.

C. **Service Extension with Contribution in Aid of Construction** - The Cooperative will extend its lines to any permanent installation which requires construction of more than 800 feet single-phase overhead, 700 single-phase underground, 700 feet three-phase overhead, or 450 feet three-phase underground line provided a contribution in aid of construction is paid by the member.

1. The contribution in aid of construction will be for the amount of line construction in excess of the following distances:

   a. 800 feet single-phase overhead
   b. 700 feet single-phase underground
   c. 700 feet three-phase overhead
   d. 450 feet three-phase underground

2. The amount to be paid by the member will be 50% of the construction cost to construct that portion of the line which exceeds the distances included in the above C-1, up to 2500 feet. Any line extension exceeding 2500 feet will require a contribution in aid of construction to be paid by the member of 75% for the line extension exceeding 2500 feet.

3. The line construction cost used to calculate the contribution in aid of construction paid by the member is as follows:

Single-Phase Overhead	**as per the fee schedule**
Single-phase Underground	**as per the fee schedule**
Three-Phase Overhead	**as per the fee schedule**
Three-Phase Underground	**as per the fee schedule**

4. The line will be built as soon as the member has complied with all other policies of the Cooperative.

D. **Underground Services -**

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

2. If the Cooperative provides an underground service, the member would be responsible for 100% of future relocation cost 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.

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

E. **Right-of-Way Easements and Clearing** -

1. The member requesting service will provide the Cooperative with signed easements from all property owners which are affected by the line construction on the Cooperative's easement form. Easements will be 40 ft. for overhead lines and 20 ft. for underground lines.

2. The member will provide year around 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 completely removed 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.

F. Contribution in aid of construction will not be required on an extension of Cooperative lines over the allowed distance:

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

2. If the extension will provide service to a publicly owned and organized water or sewer district, including those owned by a city.

G. **Contract** - The Cooperative will require a ten year contract which would guarantee that a service would be connected for a specified period and have a guaranteed amount of monthly revenue (either monthly or yearly) in order to assure that the Cooperative would recover its investment for the line extension. The contract may require a monthly minimum amount of revenue to be paid by the member. An

evaluation will be made on each application based on amount of investment and years expected to be connected in order to determine required monthly revenue.

H. **Service Conditions** – The following items must be completed prior to the member adding load or the Cooperative extending service:

1. Three-phase line extensions to services with less than 10 connected horsepower will require a contribution in aid of construction equal to the actual construction cost.

2. The largest single-phase motor which can be connected to the Cooperative system is 10-hp without prior Cooperative approval. The Cooperative will consider allowing 15-hp single-phase motors to be connected provided there is an engineering study completed by the Cooperative and written authorization from the Cooperative is completed prior to connecting the motor. Motors which cause flicker problems for other members will not be approved for use on the Cooperative system. Any motor found to be causing flicker problems for other members would be disconnected by either the member or the Cooperative.

3. All three-phase motors which exceed 50-hp will require an engineering study and written authorization from the Cooperative prior to connecting to the Cooperative lines by a member. Reduced voltage starters will be required on motors greater than 50-hp and must be approved prior to use. All reduced voltage starters must remain connected and in good operating condition. Any motor found to be causing flicker problems for other members would be disconnected by either the member or the Cooperative.

4. All phase converters will require an engineering study and written authorization from the Cooperative prior to connecting to the Cooperative lines by the member. Any converter found to be causing flicker problems for other members would be disconnected by either the member or the Cooperative.

5. All three-phase services will have the meter located on the transformer poles or padmount transformer.

6. All single-phase services will have the meter located on the pole or pedestal next to the padmount transformer. If the service to be served is within secondary distance of the existing pole or padmount transformer, the meter would be located on the existing pole or padmount transformer.

I. **Meter Loop or Pedestal:**

1. **Meter Loop Charge** – A charge as per the fee schedule will be required to be paid by the member for all installations requiring a meter loop with a 200 amp breaker.

2. **Underground Pedestal** – A charge as per the fee schedule will be required to be paid by the member for all installations requiring an underground pedestal with 200 amp breaker.

3. **Additional Construction Charges** – Any services requiring boring or CT/PT metering will result in the member paying any additional costs incurred above and beyond the standard charges included in the fee schedule.

Curtis Clark

Curtis Clark, Secretary

December 20, 1980
October 26, 1981
May 22, 1989
September 25, 2000
May 20, 2002
March 1, 2006
July 1, 2007
February 1, 2008
February 28, 2011
August 1, 2015
April 26, 2021
February 23, 2026