

The minimum contribution in aid to construction will be equal to 100 feet of underground service at the applicable rate.

### **Right-of-way easements**

All members of the Association are required to furnish, at no cost to the Association, right-of-way easements (ROW) over, under, or across all property between the Association's present facilities and applicant's service location. The Association will assist the applicant in securing these easements whenever it is possible.

For service to members where it is necessary for the Association to purchase ROW from any landowner, the member will be required to pay in advance to the Association for the total cost of ROW including tree damages.

If the Association is required to exercise the right of eminent domain to obtain the necessary ROW, the member will be required to reimburse the Association for any and all legal and court approved expenses.

For underground electric service, a ROW of 15 feet is required.

### **Right-of-way**

It is the responsibility of the member to initially clear the ROW for the installation of electric service. The ROW must be cleared of dirt piles, trees, stumps, construction materials and equipment, etc. for the Association's equipment and personnel to be able to access ROW before installation of Association facilities can begin.

### **Underground primary and secondary service**

For Service Installations not Greater than 200 Amps

For a new home or commercial building where the member elects single phase underground service in lieu of overhead service, a non-refundable contribution in aid to construction of \$4.00 per running foot from the base of the pole to the meter box or equipment will be required.

B. For Service Installations Greater than 200 Amps

For a new home or commercial building where the member elects single phase underground service in lieu of overhead service, a non-refundable contribution in aid to

construction of \$5.00 per running foot per conductor from the base of the pole to the meter box or equipment will be required.

If the installation of service requires special metering equipment, the member will be charged for the cost associated with the purchase and installation of the special metering equipment.

C. For a new home or commercial building where the member elects single phase underground primary in lieu of overhead primary, a non-refundable contribution in aid to construction of \$5.00 per running foot of required cable in addition to the underground secondary charge will be required.

D. For mobile homes or other non-permanent structures where the member elects single phase underground service in lieu of overhead service, a non-refundable contribution in aid to construction equal to the estimated cost based on an engineering cost of service study will be required.

E. For three phase underground primary and/or service, a non-refundable contribution in aid to construction of \$5.00 per foot per conductor will be required.

F. For relocating existing underground facilities such as primary, secondary or service at the member's request and for the member's benefit, a non-refundable contribution in aid to construction equal to the total estimated cost will be required.

G. For Changing an Existing Overhead Single Phase Service to Single Phase Underground Service:

a. For Service Installations not Greater than 200 Amps

For changing an existing overhead service to single phase underground service, a non-refundable contribution in aid to construction of \$6.00 per running foot from the base of the pole to the member's facilities will be required.

b. For Service Installations Greater than 200 Amps

For changing an existing overhead service to underground service, a non-refundable contribution in aid to construction of \$7.00 per running foot per conductor from the base of the pole to the member's facilities will be required.

### **Underground electric service in a commercially developed subdivision**

A written contract between the developer and the Association will be required. The General Manager and CEO of the Association is authorized to execute contracts with the developer/owner.

A. For homes in a new subdivision where lots do not exceed 100' in width and 150' in depth, a non-refundable contribution in aid to construction for underground electric service of \$650 per lot will be required.

B. For homes in a new subdivision where lots exceed 100' in width and 150' in depth, a non-refundable contribution in aid to construction per lot for underground electric service based on an engineering cost of service study will be required.

C. For new apartment and condominium complexes, a non-refundable contribution in aid to construction for underground electric service of \$425 per unit will be required.

### **Underground security light facilities**

A. For standard underground security light facilities of one 20 foot fiberglass pole with one 100 watt high pressure sodium light, a non-refundable contribution in aid to construction of \$175 per light plus \$1.50 per foot for trenching of service wire will be required. All lights will then be billed at the applicable monthly charge.

B. For non-standard underground security light facilities, a non-refundable contribution in aid to construction equal to the difference of the material cost for the non-standard light and the standard light described in Section VI-A plus the installation charges for the standard light will be required. All lights will then be billed at the applicable monthly charge.

### **Payment of contribution in aid to construction**

A. Primary Underground

All contribution in aid to construction for primary underground should be paid by the member before the new construction is begun.

B. Secondary or Service Underground

The contribution in aid to construction for the installation of secondary or service underground may be paid in advance, invoiced separately or have the cost added to their monthly electric bill.

a. If invoiced separately and the invoice is not paid within the prescribed time, collection procedures will begin.

b. If added to the bill, all payments received will first apply to the contribution in aid to construction of the underground service. Failure to pay for the underground service contribution in aid to construction will cause the bill to become delinquent and electric service will be disconnected if payment is not received within the prescribed time.

C. Exception

When in the best interest of public necessity, health, safety or welfare, the General Manager and CEO may waive the underground contribution in aid to construction and make accommodations as deemed appropriate.

**Taxes**

Billing under this schedule shall be subject to any applicable State and Municipal sales tax.

*Effective June 1, 2009*

# Underground Service Policy

## Singing River Electric's policy in relation to the extension of underground electric service

Upon completion of the appropriate application, contract, or verbal agreement between the member and the Association, the Association may provide underground electric service to members within the service territory of the Association. The Association reserves the right to refuse to install underground service where obstacles such as driveways, ditches, rocks, etc., prohibit or inhibit ordinary installation.

### Calculation of contribution in aid to construction

When applicable, the field engineer will complete a design cost estimate form which will include the member's required contribution in aid to construction based on an engineering cost of service study and/or feasibility study. Once approved by the member, both an Association representative and the member will sign the design cost estimate form. The member should retain their copy of the design cost estimate form.



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