

**BIG FLAT ELECTRIC CO-OP., INC.**

**POLICY NO. 411**

**SUBJECT: RATE SCHEDULES**

**POLICY:**

Big Flat Electric works diligently to provide electrical energy at affordable rates. Rates are reviewed annually and modified by the Board of Directors as necessary. Rate schedules are classified as follows:

**SINGLE PHASE SERVICES:**

**Availability:** For residential, farm/ranch, small commercial and public building members requiring single phase service for all uses subject to the established rules and regulations of the Cooperative.

**Rate Class:** Residential, Farm/Ranch, Small Commercial and Public Buildings

**Rate Per Month:**

Base Rate: \$36.00  
Energy Charge: \$0.104/kWh  
Storage Heat Energy: \$0.070/kWh Storage Heat Demand Charge: \$0.00/kW  
Demand Charge: \$0.25/kW

**Minimum Base Rate Charge:** The minimum monthly base rate charge under the above rate class shall be \$36.00 where 30 KVA or less of transformer capacity is required. For services requiring more than 30 KVA of transformer capacity, the minimum monthly charge shall be \$1.00 for each KVA of transformer capacity, plus an additional \$4.00.

**Rate Class:** Stockwell

**Rate Per Month:**

Base Rate: \$26.00  
Energy Charge: \$0.104/kWh  
Demand Charge: \$0.25/kW

**Minimum Base Rate Charge:** The minimum monthly base rate charge under the above rate class shall be \$26.00 where 20 KVA or less of transformer capacity is required. For services requiring more than 20 KVA of transformer capacity, the minimum monthly charge shall be \$1.00 for each KVA of transformer capacity, plus an additional \$4.00.

**THREE PHASE SERVICES:**

**Availability:** For farm/ranch, commercial, public buildings and industrial members requiring three phase service for all uses subject to the established rules and regulations of the Cooperative.

**Rate Class:** Farm/Ranch, Commercial, Public Buildings and Industrial under 1,000 KVA

**Rate Per Month:**

Base Rate: \$58.00 per month, or \$1.00 per installed KVA (whichever is greater), plus an additional \$4.00.  
Energy Charge: \$0.106/kWh  
Demand Charge: \$11.00/kW for first 100 kW, and \$16.00/kW for kW over 100

**Rate Class:** Industrial over 1,000 KVA

**Rate Per Month:**

Base Rate:	\$66.00 per month, or \$1.00 per installed KVA (whichever is greater), plus an additional \$4.00.
Energy Charge:	\$0.093/kWh
Demand Charge:	\$11.00/kW for first 100 kW, and \$16.00/kW for kW over 100.

**IRRIGATION SERVICES:**

**Availability:** For irrigation members requiring three phase service for irrigation usage subject to the established rules and regulations of the Cooperative.

**Rate Class:** Irrigation

**Rate Per Month:**

Base Rate:	\$116.00 per month (May through October)
Energy Charge:	\$0.077/kWh
Demand Charge:	\$7.00/kW for first 100 kW, and \$14.00/kW for kW over 100

**Minimum Annual Charge for Irrigation Services:**

The minimum annual charge for three phase irrigation service shall be:

- \$10.00 per horsepower size, *plus*
- \$696.00 base rate charge. The base rate charge will be calculated by multiplying the base rate charge (\$116) times 6 months (the irrigation season is comprised of the months May through October).
  - *Existing irrigation accounts will be billed the full 6 months base rate charge regardless of when the meter is active during the irrigation season.*
  - *New irrigation accounts will be billed the monthly base rate charge beginning in the month the meter is activated, through the end of the irrigation season.*

**Irrigation Billing:**

Each irrigation member is required to pay the minimum annual charge, as determined above, in advance of each irrigation season, but not later than May 20<sup>th</sup>, before the Cooperative will energize the irrigation service.

Meters will be read monthly during the irrigation season and the above irrigation rate schedule for energy (kWh) and demand (kW) shall be applied and calculated on a monthly basis. Demand billed shall be the maximum kW demand used by the member for any period of 15 consecutive minutes during the month.

The Cooperative will bill irrigation members for any balance due at the end of the irrigation season, and all such bills are due and payable not later than December 31<sup>st</sup> of that calendar year. If a credit from the minimum annual charge remains on the irrigation account at the end of the irrigation season, the credit balance will be written off.

**SECURITY LEASE LIGHTS:**

**Availability:** For automatic dusk-to-dawn lighting where cooperative furnishes all material, maintenance, electric energy, and when lighting is installed on an existing pole with a transformer present. When a pole or additional equipment is required, the member will pay a non-refundable contribution in aid to construction prior to installation.

**Rate Class:** Security Lease Lights/Street Lights

**Rate Per Month:**

Base Rate: \$10.00

**ABANDONED SERVICES:**

**Availability:** For an electrical service that has been disconnected for a period of 12 consecutive months. If the member chooses to keep the service disconnected beyond 12 months and not retire the service, the abandoned service rate applies. Refer to Policy #424 for further details.

**Rate Class:** Abandoned Services, also known as Line Retention or Idle Service

**Rate Per Month:**

Base Rate: \$7.00

**LARGE LOAD RATES:**

**Availability:** Large load rates will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

**DEFINITIONS:**

- **Base Rate:** Monthly charge that covers a portion of the fixed costs incurred by the cooperative to serve a member regardless of the amount of electricity used by that member.
- **Energy Charge:** All energy usage is metered in kilowatt-hours (kWh). kWh, or usage, refers to your total energy consumption during the month.
- **Storage Heat Energy Charge:** Applies to energy consumption of a storage heat unit and measured by a separate storage heat meter.
- **Demand Charge:** Kilowatts (kW), or demand, reflects the capacity needed to provide energy to you. The demand billed shall be the maximum kW demand used by the member for any period of 15 consecutive minutes during the month.

**POWER FACTOR ADJUSTMENT:**

The member agrees to maintain unity power factor as nearly as practicable. The demand and energy for billing purposes may be adjusted for members with 100 horsepower or more to correct the average power factors lower than 95% and may be so adjusted for other members if, and when, the cooperative deems necessary. Such adjustments will be made by increasing the kW and kWh (horsepower and kWh if no demand kW) 1% for each 1% by which the average power factor is less than 95% lagging.

**TERMS OF PAYMENT:**

For all types of services listed, the member shall pay in accordance with Policy No. 416, except as otherwise provided in this policy for irrigation service.

**RESPONSIBILITY:** General Manager and Board of Directors

**ADOPTED:** June 15, 1989

**AMENDED:** 2/22/99, 1/5/00, 9/01, 3/20/03, 2/4/04, 1/17/08, 12/17/08, 2/18/10, 1/17/13, 1/22/15, 2/1/16, 4/21/16, 12/20/16, 3/24/20, 12/30/21, 6/16/22, 5/24/23, 10/12/24 (in effect Jan. 1, 2025)