

VERMONT ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.  
IDLE SERVICE RETENTION

AVAILABILITY:

Available in all territory served by the Cooperative in Vermont.

DEFINITION OF IDLE SERVICE

An Idle Service is defined as a service extension which was constructed at the request of a customer or potential customer which has either never been energized after construction or was energized but is no longer providing service to the customer.

APPLICABILITY:

This tariff applies to customers who have had an Idle Service in place for eighteen months, who have no immediate need for electrical service, but who desire to have service available for potential future use.

IDLE SERVICE RETENTION CHARGE:

\$21.35 per month

IDLE SERVICE NOTIFICATION PROCESS

When the Cooperative identifies an Idle Service which has been in place for eighteen months or more, it will notify, via certified letter, the person on whose property the service is located. If the person wants service to their property to be available in the future pursuant to the Restoration of Service provision below, they must pay the monthly Idle Service Retention Charge. If the person elects not to pay the Idle Service Retention Charge, then they will be responsible for all costs related to restoring the service or installing a new service in the future. In either case, VEC may, at its sole option, remove the Idle Service, including the pole, conductors, meter, meter loop, security light and transformer.

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RESTORATION OF SERVICE:

For those customers who have elected to pay the monthly Idle Service Retention Charge, upon their request and upon payment of the Cooperative's Reconnection of Service charge as set forth in this tariff (plus any applicable deposits required under the tariff), the Cooperative will re-energize the Idle Service at the same capacity level as was previously available. If the Cooperative had removed the Idle Service, the Cooperative will construct a new service of the same capacity level that was previously available and the Cooperative will not charge for re-energizing or reconstructing the service. If the customer seeks an increase of the capacity of the service, then the customer shall be responsible for all incremental costs above the cost of installing a service of comparable capacity level.

For non-residential customers who have paid the monthly Idle Service Retention Charge and request restoration of an Idle Service, the Cooperative will perform a load evaluation and may impose additional charges if system improvements are necessary.

RETIREMENT OF SERVICE FOR NON-PAYMENT

If payment of the Idle Service Retention Charge is not received by the Cooperative within thirty (30) days of the payment due date, the Cooperative will send a certified letter requesting payment. If the customer has not paid all monthly Idle Service Retention Charges then due within sixty (60) days of the date of receipt of the certified letter, the Cooperative may, at its discretion, remove the Idle Service. If the customer desires restoration of service at a later date, the Cooperative will treat the request as a request for new service under its line extension tariff.

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

Service supplied under this schedule is subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Cooperative Rules and Regulations on file with the Vermont Public Utilities Commission.

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