

METER TAMPERING

In the event the meter, meter seal or other equipment used to supply a member with ~~electrical-utility~~ service is found to be missing, physically altered, modified or damaged in an attempt to alter, modify or effect the proper registration of ~~energy consumed~~consumption by the member, the member shall be responsible and obligated to the Cooperative as follows:

1. The cost of repair or replacement of the equipment and meter to restore the service to its proper operation.
2. Within ten (10) days of notice to the member of the damage or loss to the equipment, meter or seal, the member will increase the deposit with the Cooperative to an amount equal to four (4) times the average monthly charges for ~~electricity-consumption~~ or \$150.00, whichever is greater, and at the same time the member shall pay for any damage or loss provided for in Paragraph 1 above.
3. The Cooperative will review the records of the members' use of ~~electrical~~-service and will estimate what it believes the meter would have read if it had not been tampered with, altered or ~~power~~ diverted and will then provide the member with its decision and bill for the amount due to the Cooperative. If this is not paid within ten (10) days, the members' service shall be terminated until all the aforementioned amounts due and payable to the Cooperative are paid.
4. In the event that the above tampering is found, a one-time charge of \$~~10050~~.00 will be charged to the member. If service has or is disconnected, then the \$~~10050~~.00 shall be paid prior to service being restored.
5. In the event any of the above occurs a second time, then all of the foregoing amounts shall be doubled.
6. In the event any of the above occurs a third time then all of the foregoing amounts shall be tripled, and restoration of service shall not be made until a member applies to the Board for restoration of service and restoration is ordered by the Board.
7. In the event the member does not pay any and all of the above amounts, the Cooperative shall apply any deposits and capital accounts of the member against the amounts due and owing, the Cooperative may, at its election, pursue the debt through legal process.
8. The manager of the Cooperative or ~~their~~his designated representative shall be responsible for investigation and enforcement of this policy and shall determine the amounts due to the Cooperative in the foregoing paragraphs and ~~the manager's~~his decision shall be final subject to the following paragraph.

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General Manager

EFFECTIVE: ~~June 1, 2009~~October
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