

POLICY:

It is the policy of the Cooperative to require that all persons applying for service become members, as outlined below:

1. Membership Requirements:

Any person, firm, association, corporation or body politic or subdivision thereof may become a member in the Cooperative, by:

- (a) filing a written Application for Membership, a copy of which is attached to and made a part of this policy;
- (b) agreeing to purchase from the Cooperative electric energy as specified in Paragraph 5 of this bulletin;
- (c) agreeing to comply with and be bound by the articles of incorporation and bylaws of the Cooperative and any rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Trustees; and
- (d) No person, firm, association, corporation or body politic or subdivision thereof shall become a member unless and until they are accepted for membership by the Board of Trustees. No member may hold more than one membership in the Cooperative, and no membership in the Cooperative shall be transferable.

2. Membership Certificate:

Membership in the Cooperative shall be evidenced by a membership certificate which shall be in such form and shall contain such provisions as shall be determined by the Board of Trustees. A copy of the current membership form is attached to and made a part of this policy.

3. Joint Membership:

A husband and wife may apply for a joint membership under the provisions of Article I, Section 3, of the bylaws. It is the policy of the Cooperative to encourage joint memberships for married consumers. The effect of actions with respect to the holders of a joint membership shall be as follows:

- (a) The presence at a meeting of either or both shall be regarded as the presence of one member and shall have the effect of revoking a proxy executed by either or both and of constituting a joint waiver of notice of the meeting;
- (b) The vote of either separately or both jointly shall constitute one vote;
- (c) A proxy executed by either or both shall constitute one proxy;
- (d) A waiver of notice signed by either or both shall constitute a joint waiver;
- (e) Notice to either shall constitute notice to both;

- (f) Expulsion of either shall terminate the joint membership;
- (g) Withdrawal of either shall terminate the joint membership;
- (h) Either but not both may be elected or appointed as an officer or trustee, provided that both meet the qualifications for such office.

4. Conversion of Membership:

- (a) A membership may be converted to a joint membership upon the written request of the holder thereof, subject to the provisions of Article I, Section 4, of the bylaws. The outstanding membership shall be surrendered and a new joint membership will be issued.
- (b) If one of the members in a joint membership requests a conversion of membership due to change in status (e.g.: death, divorce), the outstanding membership certificate shall be surrendered, and shall be reissued in such manner as shall indicate the changed membership status. Such change in membership status, however, shall not release the parties of the surrendered membership from any debts due to the Cooperative.

5. Purchase of Electric Energy:

- (a) Each member shall, when electric service is made available, purchase from the Cooperative all electric energy used on the premises specified in his application for membership, except such electric energy as may be generated by the member himself, and shall pay therefore at rates which from time to time be fixed by the Board of Trustees. Each member shall pay to the Cooperative such minimum amount as shall be fixed by the Board of Trustees from time to time, regardless of the amount of electric energy consumed. Each member shall also pay all amounts owed to the Cooperative as and when the same shall become due and payable.

RESPONSIBILITY:

Members, Board of Trustees, Manager, and Employees

PROCEDURE:

As outlined in the above written policy