

LOW INCOME BILL PAYMENT ASSISTANCE FUND

Purpose

The purpose of this Schedule is to collect funds for electric low-income bill payment assistance as specified in Oregon Laws 2021, Ch. 536, §2.

Applicable

To all bills for electric service calculated under all tariffs and contracts.

Adjustment Rates

The applicable Adjustment Rates are listed below. Retail electricity Consumers shall not be required to pay more than \$500 per month per site for low-income electric bill payment assistance.

	Adjustment
Schedule	Rate
Residential Rate Schedules (4, 5)	\$0.69 per month
Nonresidential Rate	0.069 cents per kWh for the first 724,638 kWh
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Definition of Site (Order No. 01-073 entered January 3, 2001)

- "Site" means:
- (a) Buildings and related structures that are interconnected by facilities owned by a single retail electricity consumer and that are served through a single electric meter; or
- (b) A single contiguous area of land containing buildings or other structures that are separated by not more than 1,000 feet, such that:
 - i. Each building or structure included in the site is no more than 1,000 feet from at least one other building or structure in the site;
 - ii. Buildings and structures in the site, and land containing and connecting buildings and structures in the site, are owned by a single retail electricity consumer who is billed for electricity use at the buildings and structures; and
 - iii. Land shall be considered to be contiguous even if there is an intervening public or railroad right of way, provided that rights of way land, on which municipal infrastructure facilities exist (such as street lighting, sewerage transmission, and roadway controls), shall not be considered contiguous.

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Single Site Exemption

Consumer must declare to Company that it meets the \$500 per month single site exemption in SB 1149 as specified in this tariff. Consumer claiming the \$500 per month single site exemption must provide certification to the Company.

For the purpose of the Low Income Bill Payment Assistance Charge, the Consumer may take one of two approaches to be certified as a Site.

- 1. The Company will accept any Consumer that has completed an Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE) Site Eligibility Application and has been certified as a Site by the ODOE under its Large Electricity Consumer Self-Directed Public Purposes Program.
- 2. If a Consumer has not been certified by ODOE for self-direction of public purpose charges, the Company will certify the Consumer as a Site for the low-income charge cap. The Consumer will be required to demonstrate it meets the criteria, by providing a map of the proposed facilities and surveyors' affidavit demonstrating it meets the criteria.

Once the Company has received this information and has certified the Consumer as meeting the OPUC Site definition above, the affected locations will be specified as a Site effective with service on and after the date of Company acceptance of certification.

Any adjustments relating to this exemption shall be paid from the low-income bill payment assistance fund collections.

Special Conditions

On a monthly basis, on or before the last day of the month, the Company will forward an amount to the Oregon Housing and Community Services Department based on billings to Consumers for the previous month less a reserve for uncollectable amounts.