

LA PLATA ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

DURANGO, COLORADO

**Board of Directors Policy**

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I. OBJECTIVE

La Plata Electric Association, (Cooperative) recognizes that some members of the Cooperative may not want to be a part of Cooperative’s Advance Metering Infrastructure (AMI) system and, when it is possible, Cooperative provides options for our membership. Accordingly, the objective of this policy is to provide a mechanism for Cooperative members who so desire to opt-out of the Cooperative’s AMI system.

II. POLICY

- A. When used in this Policy, the term “AMI Opt-Out Program” shall refer to the program established through this Policy whereby a member may decide to opt-out of the Cooperative’s AMI system.
- B. The AMI Opt-Out Program shall be available to all members, except for the following:
  - 1. Members who participate in services or optional rates that require the AMI system (e.g. Net Metering, and Pre-Pay),
    - a. The Cooperative previously allowed net meter accounts in existence before December 31, 2014 to enter the AMI Opt-Out Program. Once one of these net meter accounts leaves the AMI Opt-Out Program, it will not be eligible to re-enter the AMI Opt-Out Program.
  - 2. Members who are found to tamper with the meter or are currently under a tampering bond,
  - 3. Members who elect to use the self-read AMI Opt-Out Program that fail to provide accurate and timely readings as required,
  - 4. Members who have a poly-phase service or are served by a demand meter,
  - 5. Members who have received Disconnect Notices within 12 months prior to requesting the AMI Opt-Out Program,

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6. Members who are already on the AMI Opt-Out Program and receive a notice of Past Due Payment and do not bring the account current before 8:00 a.m. on the disconnect date listed on the Notice,
  7. Accounts that are enrolled in the Cooperative's Standing Order program for landlords. A Standing Order allows an account owned by a tenant to revert back into a landlord's name in the event of a vacancy, or
  8. Members whose meters are inaccessible to read (e.g. physical obstructions, hazardous conditions, or denial of access).
- C. Members who elect to enroll in the AMI Opt-Out Program will provide the Cooperative with a completed Opt-out Request Form signifying their agreement to the Terms and Conditions outlined on the form.
- D. Members who elect to enroll in the AMI Opt-Out Program will be allowed to self-read their meter, but will be subject to a quarterly true-up reading performed by the Cooperative or its representative.
- E. Members who elect to enroll in the AMI Opt-Out Program will be assessed an amount per the applicable rate tariff that addresses the cost to the Cooperative to service the member/consumer in the AMI Opt-Out Program.
- F. Members who opt-out after an AMI meter is installed will be assessed a change-out fee per the applicable rate tariff, to replace the AMI meter with a non-AMI meter.

III. RESPONSIBILITY

- A. The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for the administration of this policy.

2/19/20

Date

  
Secretary