

FIRELANDS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP AND ELECTRIC SERVICE

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The undersigned (hereinafter called the "Applicant"), hereby applies for membership in and agrees to purchase electric energy and distribution services to be used at the below-listed service address location (the "Premises") from Firelands Electric Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter called the "Cooperative"), upon the following terms and conditions:

1. Applicant agrees to comply with and be bound by the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation and the Code of Regulations of the Cooperative and any amendments thereto, and such policies, rules, and regulations as from time to time may be adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Cooperative. The Board of Trustees is entitled to change, eliminate or create new rules and regulations, at its discretion, without prior notice.
2. Applicant authorizes the Cooperative to enter upon the Premises for the purpose of accessing rights-of-way and constructing, repairing; establishing, installing, maintaining, and removing electric facilities and equipment and/or other services, as deemed necessary or appropriate by the Cooperative. The Cooperative has the right to install, modify, or remove service extenders and remote disconnect switches at its discretion.
3. Applicant shall cause the premises to be wired in accordance with the National Electric Code, and any other specifications that may be required by the Cooperative, and shall indemnify and hold harmless the Cooperative against any claim, expense, injury, loss or damage resulting from defect in or improper use or maintenance thereof. In no event shall the responsibility of the Cooperative extend beyond the point at which its service wires connect to the consumer's service wires, as defined in the Cooperative's policies, rules and regulations.
4. SECURITY DEPOSIT
 - a. A security deposit may be required for the account to be placed in Applicant's name. The security deposit may be waived if the Applicant previously had power on the Cooperative's lines or with another electric supplier and was in good credit standing with no more than two late payments in a 12-month period. A letter of credit verification in the same name as Applicant from the other electric supplier is required if previous supplier was not the Cooperative.
 - b. If the Applicant pays a security deposit and remains on the Cooperative's lines for 24 months, and has no more than two late payments in a 12-month period, the Cooperative will apply the security deposit to the Applicant's account on the 24th month of service with the utility. If the Applicant discontinues service before 24 months, the Cooperative may apply the security deposit to the Applicant's final bill, which can result in a reduced final bill due or refund of the remaining security deposit.
5. DUE DATE & PAYMENT OPTIONS
 - a. Bills will be processed and mailed or emailed to the Applicant by the 28th of each month. Payments are due on or before the 14th day of each month and each Applicant shall pay, at rates fixed by the Board of Trustees of the Cooperative, all charges for electric and/or other services used at the Premises.
 - b. The Cooperative offers an auto pay plan, which enables Applicant to have payments to the Cooperative automatically deducted from a checking, savings, or credit card account on the 14th day of each month.
6. LATE CHARGES & OTHER FEES
 - a. In the event Applicant's payment is not received on or before the 14th day of each month, a late payment charge of ten percent of the current bill will be applied to the Applicant's account. In addition to all other available remedies, the Cooperative may discontinue service, and prior to resuming service may require Applicant to pay for all electric previously used, other resulting charges, and make deposit as required by the Cooperative.
 - b. When a presented payment is refused by the bank or returned due to non-sufficient funds (NSF,) a returned check fee will be applied to the account. Other special service charges for disconnect and reconnect fees are posted in the Cooperative's policy bulletin 8-8, which can be accessed on the Cooperative's website.
7. ASSISTANCE
 - a. The Cooperative does NOT accept Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) energy assistance program. PIPP is only provided to regulated for-profit utilities that are subject to the rules of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. A complete listing of accepted energy assistance programs can be found on the Cooperative's website
8. COMMUNICATIONS & COMMUNITY SUPPORT
 - a. As a condition of membership, Applicant shall and herein does apply for a subscription to the Cooperative's monthly publication, *Ohio Cooperative Living*, and agrees that the monthly charges for electric service shall include the cost of such subscription. The current rate for such subscription is \$0.51 per month (\$6.12 per year).
 - b. Firelands Electric People Fund, Inc., is a 501(C)(3) non-profit charitable corporation also known as Operation Round Up, which is voluntarily supported by the Cooperative's membership by having a member's electric bills rounded up each month to the next whole dollar, which amounts are then distributed through charitable grants to local charitable organizations and individuals in need.
 - c. Applicant's average round up is just 50-cents each month, or \$6 per year. Firelands members will be automatically enrolled in Operation Round Up unless they notify the office that they wish to be removed from the program.

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9. By signing this agreement, Applicant acknowledges and agrees the Cooperative has an easement to provide service to the Applicant, and others, and that the Cooperative has access to that easement. Upon request of the Cooperative, based upon reasonable terms and conditions, the Applicant agrees to grant to the Cooperative one or more written right-of-way easements for extending and furnishing service to the Applicant, or any other Cooperative member, or for any other need of the Cooperative in constructing, operating and maintaining its electric system. The Applicant recognizes the Cooperative's right to completely clear any right-of-way of potential hazards to the Cooperative's electrical system.
10. The acceptance of this application by Firelands Electric Cooperative, Inc. will constitute an agreement between the Applicant and the Cooperative, and the contract for electric utility service shall continue in force until canceled by notice given by either party to the other.

TO BE COMPLETED BY PRIMARY APPLICANT (Please Print)

MEMBERSHIP ACCOUNT NAME: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT NAME: _____ SOCIAL SECURITY NO: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

PREMISES/SERVICE ADDRESS: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT PHONE NO: _____ ADDITIONAL PHONE NO: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT EMAIL: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT EMPLOYER NAME: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT EMPLOYER ADDRESS/PHONE NO: _____

SECONDARY CONTACT NAME: _____ SOCIAL SECURITY NO: _____

SECONDARY PHONE NO: _____ EMAIL: _____

SECONDARY CONTACT EMPLOYER NAME: _____

SECONDARY CONTACT EMPLOYER ADDRESS/PHONE NO: _____

IF APPLICANT IS A BUSINESS

BUSINESS NAME: _____

TYPE OF BUSINESS: _____ FEDERAL ID NO: _____

IF SERVICE ADDRESS IS A RENTAL

LANDLORD'S NAME: _____ LANDLORD'S PHONE NO: _____

PREFERRED COMMUNICATION METHOD BETWEEN COOPERATIVE AND APPLICANT

TRADITIONAL/POSTAL MAIL SERVICE -OR- ELECTRONIC/EMAIL AT _____
(PREFERRED EMAIL ADDRESS)

CONNECT DATE NEEDED: _____

APPLICANT SIGNATURE: _____

SIGNATURE DATE: _____

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE COOPERATIVE

MEMBERSHIP/CAPITAL CREDIT NO: _____

ACCOUNT NO: _____

SERVICE MAP LOCATION: _____

UA'S CHECKED SECURITY LIGHT(S)

CREDIT LETTER -OR- DEPOSIT AMOUNT: \$ _____

DATE OF DEPOSIT PAID: _____

PROCESSED BY (INITIALS): _____

CONNECT/TRANSFER DATE: _____

SERVICE ADDRESS NOTES: _____

