

# UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC SERVICE POLICY



PAGE	EFFECTIVE DATE	DATE OF VERSION SUPERSEDED
1 of 3	January 1, 2006	January 1, 1986

Mississippi Power Company (the Company) will provide overhead primary and secondary lines, transformers, wood poles and related hardware as the standard distribution construction methodology for electric service. This is in the best economic interest of all customers and ensures that customers are treated fairly and consistently. In those cases where the Company determines it to be more economical than overhead, underground facilities will be utilized.

This policy outlines the guidelines for situations when the customer prefers underground electric service. The policy will cover underground service for all customers including both new and existing facilities. The Company reserves the right at its discretion to refuse underground electric service due to economic, physical, or technical considerations.

## GUIDELINES

Following is a description of responsibilities for the Company and the customer when installing underground electric service.

### The Company will:

- Furnish, install, own and maintain the primary and secondary underground electric service system to a point of service approved by the Company
- Provide all trenching and initial backfilling when there are no obstructions to mechanical trenching.
- Provide secondary voltages of 120/208 or 277/480 where three phase service is required.
- Make up all connections at the point of service.
- Reserve the right to extend or modify the underground electric system to supply service to other customers.

# UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC SERVICE POLICY



PAGE	EFFECTIVE DATE	DATE OF VERSION SUPERSEDED
2 of 3	January 1, 2006	January 1, 1986

## GUIDELINES (continued)

### The customer will:

- Provide any tamping and additional backfilling as required.
- Provide all trenching and backfilling to Company specifications where obstructions to mechanical trenching exist.
- Provide all conductors past the point of service.
- Provide suitable easement for installation and future operation and maintenance of the Company's facilities.
- Provide the Company necessary rights-of-way at no cost to the Company, complete to final grade elevation at the locations where the Company's equipment is to be installed. If paving is installed prior to the Company's installation of the underground conduit and conductors, the customer will then install all conduit and provide all trenching and backfilling.
- Provide a pad for the transformer in all commercial/industrial applications.
- Install conduit for the metering cable between the pad-mounted transformer and the metering location if the point of service is the secondary terminals of the transformer.

The Company will calculate the differential cost between overhead and underground distribution systems including, but not limited to, primary conductors, secondary conductors, transforming facilities, service laterals, conduit and temporary service runs. The customer will pay to the Company the differential cost as calculated by the Company.

A credit toward the differential cost may be available to the customer under the following conditions:

1. The customer's space heating and water heating requirements are met electrically; and
2. The customer's increased energy usage provides sufficient revenue so that the credit passes the Ratepayer Impact Measure and all customers are positively affected.

# UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC SERVICE POLICY



PAGE	EFFECTIVE DATE	DATE OF VERSION SUPERSEDED
3 of 3	January 1, 2006	January 1, 1986

If the conditions described above are met, the following credits may be available for specific situations:

UG Primary for New Residential and Commercial Subdivisions	No credit available
UG Service Laterals for New Residential Single Family and New Residential Multi-Occupancy Buildings with Less than 5 Units per Building	Credit toward first 100 feet. Charge of \$5.00 per foot for additional feet.
UG Service for New Residential Mobile Homes and Manufactured Homes	No credit available
UG Service for New Residential Multi-Occupancy Buildings with 5 or More Units per Building	Credit of up to \$200 per unit
UG Service for New Commercial & Industrial Buildings	Credit in the amount of the differential cost
UG Service for Outdoor Lights and Street Lights	No credit available
UG Service Replacing an Existing Overhead Service	No credit available

When conditions indicate that a departure from this policy is necessary and desirable, MPC will determine and specify the charges appropriate to accommodate such conditions.