



Mid-Carolina  
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

## SERVICE CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZATION

**A minimum deposit of \$500 for residential or \$200 for a temporary pole is required for each account, unless you have established an excellent payment history with Mid Carolina Electric, or you have an acceptable credit rating from our designated credit bureau. Do you give Mid Carolina Electric permission to run a soft credit check?**

YES       NO

An online credit check through Experian is required, and may give the options of Deposit Waived, Bill Deposit, or Pay Deposit Up Front. If you do not have any credit history, your ID credentials do not match with the credit bureau information or a fraud alert is present, you will be required to come to the office to show your ID information in person. Electric service will not be connected until this is done. If you choose to bypass the credit check, have unsatisfactory payment history with Mid Carolina Electric, or are required to pay a deposit after the credit check, the minimum \$500 for residential or \$200 deposit for a temp pole will be required before service is connected in your name. If you have a past debt with Mid Carolina Electric an increased deposit that equals the two highest consecutive bills at the location you are applying for will be charged.

New members are required to pay a \$15 refundable membership fee and a \$10 non-refundable set-up fee for regular billing or a \$35 non-refundable set-up fee for Pay As You Go billing.

### **Please read the following statements. Your signature below will be required.**

The undersigned (thereinafter called the "applicant") hereby applies for membership in, and agrees to purchase electric energy from Mid-Carolina Electric Cooperative, Inc. (thereinafter called the "Cooperative") upon the following terms and conditions:

The member(s) named below (hereinafter called the "Applicant") applies for membership in, and agrees to purchase electric energy for his use only and not for resale purposes, without written permission of Mid-Carolina Electric Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter called the "Cooperative"), at fees to be based on type of service rendered according to the Cooperative's schedule of rates and services found in the Service Rules and Regulations of the Cooperative. Electric service will be provided to the location shown above. The Owner and Applicant warrant that the premises will be, or has been, wired in accordance with the requirements of the National Electrical Code, and releases the Cooperative from any and all liability of every kind and nature for damage which may occur from defective wiring of the premises or failure to inspect the wiring, and hereby agrees to hold the Cooperative harmless from any and all such liability. The Owner and Applicant covenant and agree not to erect or construct or to permit the erection or construction of any shed, outhouse, structure or building under, over or in close proximity to the power lines of the Cooperative, and if any such structure is so erected, the Owner and Applicant hereby agree to assume and discharge any liability or damages that may result. The Applicant will comply with and be bound by the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Cooperative, and the Service Rules and Regulations adopted by the Cooperative.

In consideration of providing electricity to me (us), I (we) hereby grant unto the Cooperative, Its Successors and Assigns the exclusive right to place, install, construct, replace, alter, maintain, patrol, use, utilize, rebuild, inspect, repair, remove, and operate one or more overhead or underground lines for the transmission and distribution of electric energy, communications, television, voice or data transmission and distribution or similar purposes, consisting of any or all of the following: supporting structures, poles, crossarms, overhead and underground conductors, overhead or underground wires and cables (including fiber optic cable), communication wires, overhead and underground lightning protective wires, guys, push braces, transformers and other necessary apparatus and appliances and other accessory apparatus and equipment deemed by the Cooperative, its successors, licensees, or assigns, to be necessary therefore; and to be accomplished in a reasonable manner upon, over, across and under my (our) property as reasonably reported to serve me (us) and other Cooperative members.

In the event I (we) fail to pay the amounts due for my (our) electric service as required by the Cooperative's Service Rules and Regulations and terms of the invoice, I (we) understand and agree I (we) may be charged a late fee and disconnect/reconnect fees as provided in the Cooperative's Service Rules and Regulations. In the event the Cooperative uses an attorney or collection agency to collect past due amounts owed by me (us) for electric service, I (we) understand and agree that the Cooperative may collect from me (us) its reasonable costs of collection and

attorneys' fees. I (we) further agree that any amounts owed to the Cooperative by any person residing with me (us) at the location given above may be transferred to and collected from my (our) account, including any interest and penalties or fees due, in order to receive service under this Contract.

Mid-Carolina Electric Cooperative administers a program called "Operation Round Up" that provides funding for worthy projects in our service area by rounding up a participating member's bill to the nearest dollar. All members are automatically enrolled in the program which costs a typical member less than \$6.00 per year. Please call 803-749-6400 if you have any questions about enrollment. Members may opt out by contacting the Cooperative.

It is the applicant's sole responsibility to ensure it is safe inside the home before power is connected. MCEC will not be held liable for any damages caused by power being connected while the main breaker is on.

If your service is designated as a Special Medical account, you are encouraged to secure a backup source of power. MCEC in no way can guarantee electric service at any given time.

I warrant that the above information for the purpose of obtaining electric service is true and complete. I also agree to receive and pay for said service in accordance with applicable rate schedules and service regulations of the Cooperative. It is agreed that the Cooperative reserves the right to discontinue service in case of violation of any terms or for falsification of any of the above information.

<b>Signature</b>		<b>Printed Name</b>	
<b>CIN (For office use only)</b>		<b>Date</b>	<b>Phone</b>
<b>Address</b>			