

Beltrami Electric Cooperative Membership Application

Membership privileges and its obligations to comply with the Cooperative bylaws, policies and service standards are automatic upon receiving electricity even when a membership form is not signed.

As a member of Beltrami Electric Cooperative, I/We agree to the following:

1. Member will pay to the Cooperative a membership fee of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). Member agrees to pay all current and future assessments, fees, contributions, prices, rates, late fees and delinquency charges. If a Member becomes inactive, the membership fee will be applied to the final bill. Any remaining credit will be paid in the form of a check.
2. Member agrees to provide Cooperative with Member's Social Security Number to allow Cooperative to complete appropriate filings required by the IRS to distribute capital credits to Member.
3. Member will comply with this Application and Agreement and with, as they currently exist or as they are later adopted or amended, the Cooperative: (a) articles of incorporation; (b) bylaws; (c) service rules and regulations; (d) rate or price schedules; and (e) rules, regulations, and actions adopted, taken, or approved by the Cooperative board of directors (collectively, "Governing Documents") all of which constitute a contract between Member and Cooperative.
4. Member will purchase, when available, all electrical energy for the premises and agrees to pay a monthly bill for such electricity in accordance with existing rate applicable to class of service.
5. Access charges/monthly billing will start upon completion of the installation of service whether or not a meter is installed. If service is disconnected prior to one year of continuous service, the Member will be billed the monthly access charge for the remaining months.
6. All members, including joint members, are subject to a credit and personal information verification by a third party reporting agency. Member authorizes the Cooperative to use Member's Social Security Number to request, receive, and/or evaluate any written, oral, or other communication of information from a consumer reporting agency or financial institution, or other individual or entity regarding Member's credit worthiness and credit standing.
7. Member authorizes the Cooperative to discuss their account with any financial assistance providers to assist the member with payment on their account.
8. Member understands they may be contacted by the Cooperative's phone notification system via home or cell phone in regards to their account if necessary..
9. Member will wire his or her premises in accordance with wiring statutes and regulations in force in the state of Minnesota. Member represents that all property at each service location complies with: (a) all building, zoning, and similar regulations or requirements necessary to safely use service; and (c) all operating, engineering, and similar regulations or requirements necessary to safely, efficiently, and reliably use service and necessary for Cooperative to safely, efficiently, and reliably provide service to Member and other persons.
10. Member represents that member lawfully owns, controls, or occupies: (a) the real and personal property to or for which Cooperative provides service at each Member's service location and (b) the real property underlying or comprising each Member's service location. Member further agrees to comply with and/or provide the Cooperative with necessary right-of-way easements for distribution lines to serve the member or any other Cooperative customer, without cost to the Cooperative. Member will allow the Cooperative to clear and maintain its right of way by herbicide, machinery or otherwise.
11. The Cooperative has the right to access the member's property at all times for the purpose of outage restoration, reading, repairing, replacing or removing meters and meter equipment, maintaining other property of the Cooperative, and for collecting outstanding financial obligations due to the Cooperative.
12. Member will pay all charges for electric service(s) connected in their name until they notify the Cooperative of an effective date of transfer or disconnection of the service(s).
13. Member will pay Cooperative for its damages, costs, and expenses, including attorney fees and legal expenses, caused by or associated with Member's failure to; (a) pay any amount charged or assessed by the Cooperative; (b) comply with the Governing Documents; or (c) provide us truthful, accurate, and complete information.
14. Five dollars (\$5.00), which is included in the billing rate structure, shall be the annual delivered subscription rate for Northern Lights, the official publication of the cooperative.
15. Member agrees that this Application and Agreement is governed by and interpreted under the laws of the State of Minnesota.

Initials: _____

Individual or Organization: _____

Applicant Name: _____

Present Employer: _____

Employer Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Ethnicity: _____

Soc Sec Nbr: _____

Birth Date: _____

Mobile Phone: _____

Spouse or Joint Name: _____

Present Employer: _____

Employer Address: _____

Ethnicity: _____

Soc Sec Nbr: _____

Birth Date: _____

Billing Address: _____

Service Address: _____

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Joint Signature _____ Date _____

PLEASE NOTE:

Unless other arrangements have been made, membership and deposit charges are due immediately.

Failure to pay these charges MAY result in disconnection of electric service.

This Institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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Prov: BEC Dep Type/Amt: _____ DEP: _____ Mem Nbr/Amt: _____ \$ 50.00

Customer: _____

Srv Loc Nbr: _____

Account: _____

SO WIN: _____

Srv Map Loc: _____

App Taken by: _____