

THE EMPIRE DISTRICT ELECTRIC COMPANY d.b.a. LIBERTY

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AVERAGE PAYMENT PLAN
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APPLICATION:

Residential customer and certain commercial customers may elect to be billed and pay for electric service under the Average Payment Plan if the customer has satisfied the Company's credit requirements.

PLAN:

1. Bills will be rendered during each of the first twelve months, Average Payment Plan Months (APP), in amounts equal to one-twelfth of the estimated annual cost of service to the customer.
2. Differences between Customer's applicable rate schedule billing and APP contract billings will be accumulated and the outstanding balance will be applied to the next year's APP.
3. The Company may adjust the amount of billing during the Average Payment Months whenever usage varies significantly from the plan estimate, or when a revision in the Company's rates have been approved.
4. The Balance Month will be either April or October for all customers.

TERMINATION OF PLAN PARTICIPATION:

1. The Company may terminate a customer's participation in this plan if the customer has failed to make payment when due. Billing adjustments required to balance the account will be included in the next regular bill.
2. The customer may terminate participation in the plan by requesting the termination in writing. The customer must pay any amounts due on the account, including billing adjustments.
3. Final bills, when issued on an Average Payment Plan account, shall include any billing adjustments necessary to balance the account.

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