

Construction Policy (Electric)

Revised and effective April 26, 2019

1. Policy.

- a. **Adoption.** This Construction Policy (Policy) is adopted by the BVU Authority Board of Directors, effective April 26, 2019, and will remain in force until repealed, replaced or amended by the Board. This Policy replaces any prior policies related to Construction, including the Aid-to-Construction Policy.
- b. **Scope.** This Policy applies to all customers (Customer) and/or prospective Customers, including developers.
- c. **Filing and Posting.** A copy of this Policy is available at the BVU Authority (BVU) main office at 15022 Lee Highway, Bristol, Virginia 24202 or at www.bvua.com.
- d. **External Regulations.** BVU is regulated by the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), a corporate agency of the United States government. BVU is not regulated by the Virginia State Corporation Commission (SCC). Customers may contact TVA at 400 West Summit Hill Drive, Knoxville, TN 37902, (865) 632-2101 or tvainfo@tva.com.
- e. **Revisions.** This Policy may be revised, amended, supplemented, or otherwise changed from time to time, without notice. Such changes, when effective, shall have the same force as the present Policy.
- f. **Conflicts.** In the event of a conflict between provisions of this Policy and any *Service Regulations*, the *BVU Authority Schedule of Rates and Charges*, or the *TVA Agreement (Power Contract)* dated September 29, 2006, as amended, this Policy will be subordinate.

2. Access. Customer will be responsible for securing any and all property rights of way or easements required for construction activities. Related documentation must be presented to BVU prior to commencement of the project. If BVU is required to secure any necessary property rights, i.e. rights of way or easements, Customer agrees to reimburse BVU on a pro rata basis.

3. Payment. To ensure rate stability, individual customers must bear any additional costs associated with providing service specific to the Customer. All Construction estimates will be communicated to the Customer and/or prospective Customer in writing. Following prepayment of all estimated Construction costs by the Customer and/or prospective Customer, BVU will commence the project as soon as practically feasible during normal business hours. Following completion of the project, BVU will bill the Customer for any actual costs above the estimated amount.

4. Overhead Service.

- A. **Eligibility.** Single-wide mobile homes are ineligible for overhead service. Other properties may be ineligible based on land use restrictions, applicable local ordinances/codes and appropriate covenants/restrictions specific to the property. BVU reserves the right to enforce its sole determination regarding the use of overhead service.
- B. **Transformer Capacity.** Customers will be responsible for any and all BVU costs, including but not limited to materials, labor, equipment and overhead.
- C. **Service Lateral.** BVU will provide up to one hundred (100) feet of overhead service lateral at no cost. Customer will be responsible for any and all BVU costs, including but not limited to materials, labor, equipment and overhead above and beyond the initial one hundred (100) feet of overhead service lateral.
- D. **Primary/Secondary Extension.** Customer will be responsible for any and all BVU costs, including but not limited to materials, labor, equipment and overhead associated with the cost of line extension.

5. Underground Service.

- A. **Eligibility.** All customers are eligible for underground service. However, not all properties are conducive to underground service installations. BVU reserves the right to enforce its sole determination regarding the use of underground service.
- B. **Transformer Capacity.** Customers will be responsible for any and all BVU costs, including but not limited to materials, labor, equipment and overhead.
- C. **Service Lateral.**
 - I. **Residential.** Customer will be responsible for payment, per foot, for the appropriate Triplex Service, in accordance with the *BVU Authority Schedule of Rates and Charges*. In addition, the installation of a BVU metering pedestal (with a 200A. breaker) is required on all single-wide mobile homes; a Metering Pedestal Charge will apply, in accordance with the *BVU Authority Schedule of Rates and Charges*.
 - II. **Commercial.** Customer will be responsible for the installation of any and all underground service laterals. BVU will assist in necessary connections to the transformer(s). BVU reserves the right to include costs associated with materials, labor and overhead.
- D. **Primary/Secondary Extension.** Customer will be responsible for any and all BVU costs, including but not limited to materials, labor, equipment and overhead, associated with the cost of line extension, including BVU-provided ditching and conduit.