

POLICY NO. 30-211**EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2025****SUBJECT: IDLE AND RETIRED SERVICES****I. PURPOSE:**

To set forth the conditions, procedures and fees for putting an electrical service into idle status and to set forth the procedure for removing an electrical service that is considered retired.

II. DEFINITIONS:

Idle Service: An electrical service that has been disconnected and, at the request of the member responsible for that service, left in place for possible future use.

Retired Service: An electrical service that has been disconnected with no request for future use and no monthly service charges paid for at least six months.

Service Drop: An electrical line connecting an OCEC distribution line, typically at a power pole, to a member's electric meter.

III. POLICY:**A. IDLE SERVICE**

Idle services are subject to an idle service charge of \$36.30 per month for a minimum period of one (1) year.

Members choosing to re-connect an idle service before the expiration of the initial one year time period shall pay the monthly service, or "base", charge in effect for the months the service was idle plus a reconnect fee of \$50.00.

Members may keep their service in idle status by continuing to pay the \$36.30 per month idle service charge.

Any service for which either an idle service charge or monthly service charge has not been received for at least six months shall be considered retired and subject to removal.

Any service disconnected or idle for more than one year shall be inspected and approved by Labor and Industries prior to being re-energized. The member is responsible for that inspection.

B. RETIRED SERVICE

For any service considered retired in accordance with this policy, OCEC shall have the option to remove the electric facilities for that service including, but not limited to, the service drop, meter, line extensions, and transformers.

The owner of record for a retired service shall be notified by certified mail at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the electric facilities' removal. This notification shall explain what facilities will be removed and that if the service is restored it will be considered a new service subject to OCEC policies, including policy 30-410.

Any electric service de-energized for more than one year shall be inspected and approved by Labor and Industries prior to being re-energized. The member is responsible for that inspection.

Easements for any retired service shall be retained by OCEC for future needs, and any action taken by OCEC to retire or idle a service shall not be deemed a relinquishment or abandonment of any easement or other right of the OCEC.

III. RESPONSIBILITY:

It shall be the responsibility of the General Manager to implement this policy.

ATTESTING:

President

Secretary

Date

Revised 11/25/24

Revised 12/18/23

Revised 04/01/23

Revised 09/28/15

Revised 03/27/12

Policy effective 10/01/09

Policy effective 12-23-97

Amended 04-24-01
Amended 01-22-02