

CHAPTER 8-7 ELECTRICAL RATES AND SERVICES

8-7-1 SERVICES AND DEPOSITS

Any person or family desiring electricity from the City shall apply at the City Finance Office and the City Finance Office shall make an order upon the Electrical Superintendent directing him to furnish such service; provided that the person applying for electric service does not owe the City for any past electric bills. No person or family owing the City for past electricity bills will be furnished with electricity until all past electric bills owing the City are paid in full. A fifteen (\$15.00) connection fee will be charged. The connecting fee will also be charged to present consumers re-establishing electrical service at a new location in the City of Howard.

Hereafter, any person or persons not owning the building or buildings where the electric light or power furnished by the said City is used, shall before any electric current is furnished by the City make an advance deposit of money to the said City for the purpose of guaranteeing the payment of the charges electric current as follows, to wit:

1. A deposit fee of \$100.00 shall be required for domestic, business or commercial use. After the service is discontinued or terminated, the said deposit fee shall be returned to the person making same, provided that all charges for electric current are paid in full. However, if said charges for electric current furnished by the said City are not paid in full, the deposit fee shall be retained by the said City and applied on said indebtedness, and any sum of money remaining after the charges are paid shall be returned to the patron.

Ordinance #593

8-7-2 LOAD MANAGEMENT CONTROL DEVICES

The purpose of the load management system is to control the consumption of electrical power within the City's electrical distribution system during the period of maximum or peak conditions.

1. The City shall install in each home or business which has controllable devices to which it distributes electrical power a load control receiver, the cost of said installation to be an obligation of the City.
2. Said receivers shall be connected to all electrical water heaters and central air conditioners.
3. The City, through its employees and agents, shall have the right to enter upon the consumer's premises upon written or oral notice to said consumer, for the purpose of installing, maintaining, relocation, repairing and removing said receivers.

The aforementioned receivers shall be considered fixtures and shall remain the property of the City after installation on the consumer's premises.

It shall be the duty of the consumer to allow City employees and agents access to their premises, upon reasonable, written or oral notice for the purpose of installing, maintaining, relocation, repairing and removing said receiver. The consumer shall not tamper with or alter any of the receivers.

8-7-3 ELECTRIC RATES

The rates to be charged by the City for electric current and service shall be fixed and determined according to the following schedule, to wit:

RESIDENTIAL:

BASE CHARGE	\$14.65
FIRST 100 KWH	.103
NEXT 300 KWH	.079
REMAINING KWH	.065

RESIDENTIAL ELECTRIC HEAT RATE:

BASE CHARGE	\$14.65
FIRXT 100 KWH	.103
NEXT 300 KWH	.079
NEXT 800 KWH	.065
OVER 1200 KWH	.055

(Above residential qualifies by having fixed electrical heating equipment 5 KW or greater) (Rate applies from Oct 1st to May 1st).

SMALL COMMERCIAL: to be defined as a non-residential customer which maintains a monthly demand of less than 50KW.

BASE CHARGE	\$19.50
FIRST 100 KWH	.117
NEXT 500 KWH	.1
REMAINING KWH	.069

LARGE COMMERCIAL: to be defined as a non-residential customer who exceeds a 50 KW demand in any one month per calendar year.

BASE CHARGE	\$30.35
ALL KW DEMAND	10.85
FIRST 100 KWH PER KW	.046
REMAINING KWH	.032

INDUSTRIAL: to be defined as a non-residential customer who exceeds a 200 KW demand in any one month per calendar year.

BASE CHARGE	\$ 30.35
ALL KW DEMAND	\$ 10.85
ALL KW	.032

A fifteen dollar (\$15.00) charge is hereby established for the connection and/or disconnection of utility services upon the request of the property owner.

Ordinance #663, 1/13/2011; 554, 5/12/1997; Authority: SDCL 9-35-1

8-7-4 RATES OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS

Electrical consumers residing outside the City Limits shall be identified and classified by the City Electrical Foreman as Residential, Small or Large Commercial or Industrial as defined above. Said customer's electrical utility bill shall be subjected to a twenty five percent (25%) surcharge (not including demand) in addition to the bill as determined in the respective customer classification.

Ordinance #663, 1/13/2011

8-7-5 PAYMENT FOR SERVICES

All bills rendered are net, due and payable on receipt. They are delinquent if not paid by the fifteenth of the month. A five percent delayed payment penalty will be charged and the consumer will be immediately mailed a "Past Due Notice" stating electrical services will be disconnected after ten days. Said notice will give the date when the utility will be terminated, the dollar amount which is delinquent and must be paid to retain electrical service and reason upon which the proposed disconnection is based. If upon

the termination date, the delinquent amount, as stated in said notice, is not paid in full, the utility service will be terminated unless the consumer has entered into an agreement for payment of said bill that is satisfactory to the City of Howard.

An electric utility which has been terminated because of non-payment of account will not be resumed until all billing of said account has been paid in full, including a reconnection charge in the amount of \$20.00 if the electric utility service is reconnected during the regular electric department working hours, and \$50.00 if the service is reconnected after regular electric department working hours. Discontinued electric service will be resumed only upon full payment of all electrical billings and the service reconnection charge.

Ordinance #643, 4/11/2007

8-7-6 FURNISHING OF ELECTRIC METERS AND SOCKETS

The City will furnish socket and meter for any one desiring electric light and power, installed by owner or contractor. Owner or contractor will install no less than 100 amp service with service in no less than conduit loop on City side.

Ordinance #318