Section 8 UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC FACILITIES (20.2(4) n)

8.1 Ownership and/or Contributions

The applicant shall consult with the Cooperative prior to the planning of any underground service installation. If the applicant desires new underground service, it will be provided in a situation that the Cooperative determines to be reasonable and feasible. The applicant will pay the difference between the cost of overhead installation and the cost of underground installation.

8.2 Specifications

The Cooperative reserves the right to specify the size and type of underground service to be used, the location of the pole to which service must be run, the side of the pole on which the conduit is to be installed and the height to which it must be extended.

8.21 Self-Contained Metering

The conduit and cable shall terminate in a fused disconnect, or other overload disconnecting device on the Cooperative's service pole. Refer to Section 7.

8.22 Current Transformer Metering

If current metering is to be used, the member-consumer will terminate the conduit and cable in a fused disconnect or other disconnecting device on the Cooperative's service pole, which device will also house the Cooperative's current transformers. The member-consumer will also install the conduit leads from the device to the meter socket. The meter and current transformers are to be supplied by the Cooperative.

8.3 New Underground Facilities – Platted Areas

The Cooperative will develop a written agreement for installing an underground distribution system, including primaries, secondaries, services, pad mount transformers, and street lighting facilities in a
platted real estate development. The Cooperative and developer will mutually determine the developments that will have underground residential distribution and the written agreement will be signed by both parties before construction is undertaken.

8.31 Easements

The developer will provide easements for electric distribution and service facilities as approved by the Cooperative prior to the plat being recorded. Easements will also be provided for streetlight and secondary laterals as required.

8.32 Grade

The developer will grade the cable route area to within 6" of final grade and install roads, sewer and water lines prior to installation of electrical facilities.

8.33 Advance for Construction Cost (refundable)

The developer will grade the cable route area to within 6" of final grade and install roads, sewer and water lines prior to installation of electrical facilities.

Refer to Section 5.4 of this tariff.

8.4 New Underground Facilities to Single Service

The Cooperative will install, operate and maintain the primary underground electric facilities from its existing facilities to a new service. Refer to Section 5.6 of this Tariff for charges associated with service extension.

8.5 Replace Existing Facilities with Underground Facilities

The Cooperative may install and maintain underground electric facilities to the existing member-consumer if the proposed conversion of existing facilities to underground is determined to be reasonable and feasible by the Cooperative. Underground service may also be installed where additional capacity is required.
The member-consumer will make an additional payment equal to the difference in cost between the underground facility to be installed and the retirement value of the overhead facility to be removed. The proposed installation will be done at such time that will not unreasonably interfere with the service to other member-consumers and the payment made in advance of the construction.