

**Notice of Public Meeting &  
Large Power Service Tariff Change, Power Cost Adjustment Clause Change and new Transmission Service  
Tariff  
Effective January 1, 2016**

This notice is to inform the City of Monticello and Empire Electric Association's Utah customers of a public meeting to be held at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at: City of Monticello, 17 North 100 East, Monticello, Utah 84535. All customers of Empire are invited to attend the meeting.

The majority of Empire Electric Association's members will see no changes to their rates in 2016. Residential, General Service, Irrigation, and Lighting rates will remain unchanged. Empire is proposing changes to the Large Power tariff and the Power Cost Adjustment clause. The proposed changes stem from changes being made by our power supplier, Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association. Empire is also proposing a new Transmission Service tariff. The proposed changes are scheduled to go into effect January 1, 2016.

Empire's Large Power tariff is for loads greater than 75 kVA. This tariff contains several rate components. The grid access charge and distribution demand charge are designed to recover costs specific to Empire. No changes are proposed for those components. The remaining components in the Large Power tariff are pass-through rates from Tri-State. In 2016, Tri-State will move from essentially an all-energy rate structure back to a more traditional demand-energy structure. In order to continue passing through Tri-State rates in our Large Power tariff, we are proposing updating the tariff to reflect Tri-State's changes. The existing seasonally differentiated average demand component will be removed and replaced with generation and transmission demand components and the energy charge will be updated.

Empire's Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) tariff allows us to reflect changes in our costs to purchase power. PCA rates can increase or decrease annually depending on whether or not we have over- or under-recovered our purchased power costs. The PCA calculations use Tri-State rates. Since the Tri-State rates are changing, the values in our PCA calculations need to be updated to reflect those changes.

Finally, Empire is proposing a new Transmission Service tariff. This tariff will be for customers who take service at transmission level voltages. The rates for this tariff were developed using a recent Cost of Service Study.

For any questions about this notice and/or the changes in the tariffs, please contact Josh Dellinger, General Manager or Mary Thiesing, Corporate Operations Manager at (970)565-4444 or toll free at 1-(800)709-3726.

Copies of all tariffs are on file at Empire's office at 801 North Broadway, Cortez, Colorado. These are available for inspection during regular business hours.

Anyone who desires to comment about the proposed changes may file a written comment to Empire at 801 North Broadway, P.O. Box K, Cortez, Colorado, 81321, at least 10 days before the proposed effective date.

The cooperative may hold a hearing to determine what final changes will be authorized. The changes ultimately authorized may or may not be the same as those proposed. Anyone who desires to receive notice of the hearing is required to make a written request at the above address at least 10 days before the proposed effective date.