

# LOAD MANAGEMENT APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT



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Load management is a method of reducing the cost of electric heating by permitting the control of heating loads during peak loading conditions. As a member of Wild Rice Electric you can take advantage of a reduced off-peak rate by installing an electric heating system that would qualify under one of the off-peak programs listed below. Please carefully review the programs listed below and choose the off peak program you wish to be controlled on. The terms and conditions of being on an off-peak program are listed on the reverse side of this form. Off-peak systems are to be completed and operable and this form must be completed, signed and returned to the Wild Rice Electric office prior to the installation of an off-peak meter. **Please refer to the enclosed Member Information and Rate Schedule for the current Off-Peak rates and credits.**

- ☐ **Water Heater Control (General Service).** Available to all members with existing or new electric water heaters that can be subjected to a maximum of eight hours of controlled off time on any one day. The maximum of controlled off time in any one period during that day is four hours. A credit will be applied to the November through April billing statements for each water heater under control. A minimum total consumption is 500 kilowatt-hours or more per water heater to receive the credit.
- ☐ **Short Term (Spot Heat) Off-Peak Service.** Available to all members with existing or newly constructed electrically heated buildings and domestic water heaters where the electric heating load can be subjected to a maximum of eight hours of control time in any one day. The maximum of control time in any one period during that day is four hours. The consumer shall provide the capability of automatically controlling a minimum of 65% of the total connected electric heating load.
- ☐ **Intermittent (Storage Heating) Off-Peak Service - Cycled.** Available to all members for controlled use during off-peak hours of electric demand for storage heating, domestic water heating and other electric loads as designated by the cooperative. At the present time any heating loads in this program are subject to daily cycled control from approximately Nov. 1 to April 30 each season. The cycle times are from approximately 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. daily. The hours of service will not be less than eight hours per 24-hour period on slab storage systems and not less than 12 hours per 24-hour period on Electric Thermal Storage (ETS) room storage system(s).
- ☐ **Intermittent (Storage Heating) Off-Peak Service – Non-Cycled.** Available to all members for storage heating, domestic water heating and other electric loads as designated by the Cooperative. The hours of service will not be less than 8 hours per 24-hour period on Slab Storage systems and not less than 12 hours per 24-hour period on ETS room storage systems.
- ☐ **Long Term (Dual Heat) Off-Peak Service.** Available to all members using the following: electric heat as the primary source backed up by an automatic fuel oil or LP gas furnace. The backup system shall be adequately sized to sustain an unlimited amount of control time. A 30-day supply of fuel shall be maintained by the consumer at their premises. **Note: An electric heating system does not qualify as a back up system for the primary electric heating system.**

The member shall furnish the meter base and other necessary equipment installed to Minnesota Wiring Code.

*I hereby apply for Wild Rice Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s load management program. I understand that by signing this application I am choosing the off-peak control program(s) indicated above and agree to the terms and conditions as stated on the reverse side of this application.*

MEMBER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ACCOUNT #: \_\_\_\_\_

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

BUILDING DESCRIPTION (check one): ☐ House ☐ Garage ☐ Shop ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

SERVICE OWNERSHIP (check one): ☐ Own ☐ Rent (If you rent, complete the landlord information below. Landlord signature is also required.)

LANDLORD NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBER SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

LANDLORD SIGNATURE (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

## Terms and Conditions

### 1. Equipment:

- a. The Cooperative owns and operates certain equipment on the member's premises, and shall have reasonable access to this equipment.
- b. The equipment shall remain the property of the Cooperative and may be removed from the members premises at any time.
- c. The member will allow Cooperative personnel to enter their premises for the purpose on installing, maintaining, repairing or removing Cooperative owned off-peak equipment.
- d. In the event that the consumer vacates, sells or otherwise disposes of the premises they shall promptly notify the Cooperative of their intentions so that, if required, the Cooperative has the opportunity to retrieve any off-peak equipment.

### 2. Off-Peak Controlling:

- a. The member gives the Cooperative the authority to control the electric heating system and will periodically inspect the load management equipment to ascertain that it is in working order. The member shall immediately notify the Cooperative if the equipment is not functioning properly. It is agreed and understood that the Cooperative shall not be held liable for any economic loss sustained by the member due to a malfunction of the load management equipment.
- b. It is agreed that in consideration for the control of an electric heating system that the member will receive a discounted rate for usage recorded on the off-peak meter. The rates paid for the off-peak programs are subject to change and will be communicated to the member by the Cooperative.
- c. If a members alternate fuel system fails during a control period the Cooperative should be contacted immediately and arrangement will be made to by-pass the off-peak system. The off-peak meter will be pulled and the electric heating will be subject to the applicable general service rate. The member will be charged for after hour service calls.

### 3. Property Ownership:

- a. The member represents that they are the owner of the premises where the load management is to be installed unless otherwise identified on this form.

### 4. Penalties:

- a. This form serves as notice to the member that if, during a routine inspection, it is found that the off-peak system has been tampered with, the off-peak meter will be subject to immediate removal.
- b. If the system control has been by-passed or if uncontrolled load has been added to the off-peak meter the member will be subject to a penalty billing. The amount of the bill will be equal to the current cost per kilowatt paid by the Cooperative for excess demand during a billing peak times the amount of uncontrolled load.