

Rate Making Authority

Virginia Code Title 15.2, Chapter 21 authorizes local governments to operate public utilities.

The Richlands Town Council establishes utility rates, as authorized in Town Code.

Policies and procedures pertaining to standards and services are maintained in separate documents.

Definitions

All terms used herein are considered to have common public Utility application. They are neither unique to the Town of Richlands, nor are they meant to be subjected to precise scientific definition.

Consumption - The amount of service used over a given period of time as measured by a meter.

Customer - The individual, firm, or organization that purchases service at a specific location under a specific rate classification, contract, or rate schedule.

Customer Charge - The established fixed fee necessary to cover meter reading, billing, and other general service costs.

Customer Class - Specified Customer category as determined by consumption or demand levels, patterns, conditions, equipment used, and type of service.

Demand Charge - That part of the charge for electric service based on the amount of the Utility's plant and resources required to serve the Customer's peak needs. Demand is the average kW to the nearest 1/10th measured by the Utility's metering equipment for a 15-minute period as adjusted for power factor.

Energy Charge - The charge per kWh of electricity delivered to a Customer.

Kilowatt (kW) - A standard measure of electricity equal to 1,000 watts.

Kilowatt-hour (kWh) - One thousand watts of power used for one hour. Electricity is measured and billed in kWh increments.

Month - Not a calendar month, but instead the interval between successive regular meter reading dates. This can range from 26 to 35 calendar days for Customers billed on monthly cycles and 56 to 65 calendar days for those billed on a bi-monthly basis.

Town, Town of Richlands, Virginia.

Utility - Refers to the Town of Richlands Utilities Department, or any division thereof.

**Town of Richlands
Schedule R.S.
Residential Electric Service
Code E05**

Availability of Service: Availability for full domestic electric service through one meter to individual residential customers.

Monthly Rate:

Customer Charge.....\$8.40 per month

Energy and Fuel Charge:

All KWH.....\$0.09013 per KWH

Base Rate Factor: The above rate charges are subject to adjustment by the Base Rate Factor, Rider "BRF", which is incorporated herein by reference.

Minimum Charge: This schedule is subject to a minimum charge equal to the customer charge.

Power Cost Adjustment: The above energy charge is subject to a Power Cost Adjustment, Rider "PCA", which is incorporated herein by reference.

Payment: Bills are due upon presentation and payable at Town Hall Finance Office located at 200 Washington Square, Richlands, Virginia. Payment is due by the 15th of the month.

A penalty of 10% per service will be added to the bill if not received prior to the due date.

All delinquent accounts are subject to cut-off after the 20th of each month.

Reconnection Charge: There shall be a charge for reconnection of services terminated because of non-payment of bills in accordance with "Miscellaneous Services" listing included in these Rate Schedules

Miscellaneous Service Charges: Charges for additional services provided shall be made on the basis of the "Miscellaneous Services" listing included in these Rate Schedules

Term of Service: Continuous until Customer notice.

Special Terms and Conditions: This rate is also available to rural domestic Customers engaged principally in agricultural pursuits where service is taken through one meter for residential purposes as well as for the usual farm uses outside the home, but it is not extended to any other operations of a commercial nature or operations such as processing, preparing or distributing products not raised or produced on the farm, unless such operation is incidental to usual residential and farm uses.

The rate is available for single-phase service, 60 hertz and at any available standard voltage. Three-phase service may be provided, but only under special arrangements and according to the "Policies, Standards and Specifications for Electric Service to Residential, Commercial and

Industrial Developments.” All service required on premises by Customer shall be furnished through one meter. Resale of service is not permitted hereunder. Where a part of the Customer's equipment is used for purposes other than residential, a different applicable rate schedule will apply to such power service.

See Service Policies & Procedures.

Effective: Bills rendered after 12/15/09

**Town of Richlands
Schedule S.W.S.
Sanctuary Worship Service
Code E051**

Availability of Service: Availability for electric service only to the synagogue or church building in which the sanctuary or principal place of worship is located which take Standard Service from the Company.

Monthly Rate:

Customer Charge.....\$8.95 per month

Energy and Fuel Charge:

All KWH.....\$0.09043 per KWH

Base Rate Factor: The above rate charges are subject to adjustment by the Base Rate Factor, Rider "BRF", which is incorporated herein by reference.

Minimum Charge: This schedule is subject to a minimum charge equal to the customer charge.

Power Cost Adjustment: The above energy charge is subject to a Power Cost Adjustment, Rider "PCA", which is incorporated herein by reference.

Payment: Bills are due upon presentation and payable at Town Hall Finance Office located at 200 Washington Square, Richlands, Virginia. Payment is due by the 15th of the month. A penalty of 10% per service will be added to the bill if not received prior to the due date. All delinquent accounts are subject to cut-off after the 20th of each month.

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The rate is available for single-phase service, 60 hertz and at any available standard voltage. Three-phase service may be provided, but only under special arrangements and according to the "Policies, Standards and Specifications for Electric Service to Residential, Commercial and Industrial Developments." All service required on premises by Customer shall be furnished

through one meter. Resale of service is not permitted hereunder. Where a part of the Customer's equipment is used for purposes other than residential, a different applicable rate schedule will apply to such power service.

See Service Policies & Procedures.

Effective: Bills rendered after 12/15/09

**Town of Richlands
Schedule S.G.S.
Small General Service
Code E08, E09**

Availability of Service: Available for general service customers with electrical capacity requirements of 25 KW or less per month. When a customer being served under this Schedule exceeds 25 KW per month for more than two months during the past twelve months, the customer will be placed on the appropriate rate Schedule.

Monthly Rate:

Customer Charge.....\$10.23 per month

Energy and Fuel Charge
All KWH.....\$0.08726 per KWH

Base Rate Factor: The above rate charges are subject to adjustment by the Base Rate Factor, Rider "BRF", which is incorporated herein by reference.

Minimum Charge: This schedule is subject to a minimum monthly charge equal to the Customer Charge.

Power Cost Adjustment: The above energy charge is subject to a Power Cost Adjustment, Rider "PCA", which is incorporated herein by reference

Payment: Bills are due upon presentation and payable at Town Hall Finance Office located at 200 Washington Square, Richlands, Virginia. Payment is due by the 15th of the month. A penalty of 10% per service will be added to the bill if not received prior to the due date. All delinquent accounts are subject to cut-off after the 20th of each month.

Reconnection Charge: There shall be a charge for reconnection of services terminated because of non-payment of bills in accordance with "Miscellaneous Services" listing included in these Rate Schedules.

Miscellaneous Service Charges: Charges for additional services provided shall be made on the basis of the "Miscellaneous Services" listing included in these Rate Schedules.

Term of Service: Continuous until Customer notice.

Special Terms and Conditions: The rate is available for single-phase service, 60 hertz and at any available standard voltage. Three-phase service may be provided without additional cost as provided in the "Policies, Standards and Specifications for Electric Service to Residential, Commercial and Industrial Developments." All service required on premises by the Customer shall be furnished through one meter. Resale of service is not permitted hereunder.

See Service Policies & Procedures.

Effective: Bills rendered after 12/15/09

**Town of Richlands
Schedule L.G.S.
Large General Electric Service
Code E01**

Availability of Service: Availability for general service customers with electrical capacity requirements exceeding 500 KW per month for more than two months during the past twelve months but less than 1,000 KW per month.

Monthly Rate:

Customer Charge.....\$200.00 per month

Demand Charge

All KW of demand.....\$12.95 per KW

Energy and Fuel Charge

All KWH.....\$0.05065 per KWH

Base Rate Factor: The above rate charges are subject to adjustment by the Base Rate Factor, Rider "BRF", which is incorporated herein by reference.

Minimum Charge: This schedule is subject to a minimum monthly charge equal to the customer charge, plus such additional charges as are applicable from demand or energy.

Power Cost Adjustment: The above energy charge is subject to a Power Cost Adjustment, Rider "PCA", which is incorporated herein by reference.

Measurement of Energy & Determination of Demand: Energy supplied hereunder will normally be delivered through one meter for a combined power and lighting load. However, where the Utility has specified separate single-phase metering for lighting and a separate polyphase metering for power at a single location, then the kilowatt-hours and demand for billing purposes will be taken as the two kilowatt-hour readings and two demand readings separately determined.

The Customer's demand shall be taken monthly to be the highest registration of a 15-minute integrating demand meter or indicator, or the highest registration of a thermal type demand meter or the highest registration of a solid-state, electronic type demand meter.

For purposes of billing, including determination of minimum bill, the demand shall be the greater of the following:

- (a) 500 kW; or
- (b) the current month measured demand; or
- (c) 40% of the highest measured demand established during the past eleven months, including demand adjustments for power factor.

The Customer agrees to maintain unity power factor as nearly as practicable. Metered demands shall be adjusted to correct for average power factors lower than ninety percent (90%) lagging. Such adjustment shall be made by increasing the metered demand by one-half the percent difference between ninety percent (90%) and the actual average power factor.

Equipment Supplied by Customer: The point of ownership and delivery shall be at the load side of the transformer(s) used to supply the Customer. The Customer shall provide for the installation, operation and maintenance of all equipment and facilities required for service beyond the delivery point.

Local Tax Adjustment: This rate is subject to Local Tax Adjustment, Rider "E", which is incorporated herein by reference.

Payment: Bills are due upon presentation and payable at Town Hall Finance Office located at 200 Washington Square, Richlands, Virginia. Payment is due by the 15th of the month.

A penalty of 10% per service will be added to the bill if not received prior to the due date. All delinquent accounts are subject to cut-off after the 20th of each month.

Reconnection Charge: There shall be a charge for reconnection of services terminated because of non-payment of bills in accordance with "Miscellaneous Services" listing included in these Rate Schedules.

Miscellaneous Service Charges: Charges for additional services provided shall be made on the basis of the "Miscellaneous Services" listing included in these Rate Schedules.

Term of Service: Not less than one year.

Special Terms and Conditions: Single or three phase, 60 hertz and at any available standard voltage. Resale of service is not permitted hereunder.

See Service Policies & Procedures.

Effective: Bills rendered after 8/9/09

**Town of Richlands
Schedule M. G. S.
(Medium General Services)
Code E07**

Availability of Service: Available for general service customers with electrical capacity requirements exceeding 25 KW per month for more than two months during the past twelve months but less than 500 KW per month.

Monthly Rate:

Customer Charge.....\$13.00 per month

Demand Charge

All KW of demand.....\$ 3.67625 per KW

Energy Charge

All metered KWH.....\$ 0.0755 per KWH

Base Rate Factor: The above rate charges are subject to adjustment by the Base Rate Factor, Rider "BRF", which is incorporated herein by reference.

Minimum Charge: This Schedule is subject to a minimum monthly charge equal to the Customer Charge, plus such additional charges as are applicable from demand or energy.

Power Cost Adjustment: The above energy charge is subject to a Power Cost Adjustment, Rider "PCA", which is incorporated herein by reference.

Measurement of Energy Determination of Demand: Energy supplied hereunder will normally be delivered through one meter for a combined power and lighting load. However, where the Utility has specified separate single-phase metering for lighting and a separate polyphase metering for power at a single location, then the kilowatt-hours and demand for billing purposes will be taken as the two kilowatt-hour readings and two demand readings separately determined.

The Customer's demand shall be taken monthly to be the highest registration of a 15-minute integrating demand meter or indicator, or the highest registration of a thermal type demand meter or the highest registration of a solid-state, electronic type demand meter.

For purposes of billing, including determination of minimum bill, the demand shall be the greater of the following:

- (a) 25 kW; or
- (b) the current month measured demand; or
- (c) 40% of the highest measured demand established during the past eleven months, including demand adjustments for power factor.

The Customer agrees to maintain unity power factor as nearly as practicable. Metered demands shall be adjusted to correct for average power factors lower than ninety percent (90%) lagging.

Such adjustment shall be made by increasing the metered demand by one-half the percent difference between ninety percent (90%) and the actual average power factor.

Equipment Supplied by Customer: The point of ownership and delivery shall be at the load side of the transformer(s) used to supply the Customer. The Customer shall provide for the installation, operation and maintenance of all equipment and facilities required for service beyond the delivery point.

Local Tax Adjustment: This rate is subject to Local Tax Adjustment, Rider "E", which is incorporated herein by reference.

Payment: Bills are due upon presentation and payable at Town Hall Finance Office located at 200 Washington Square, Richlands, Virginia. Payment is due by the 15th of the month. A penalty of 10% per service will be added to the bill if not received prior to the due date. All delinquent accounts are subject to cut-off after the 20th of each month.

Reconnection Charge: There shall be a charge for reconnection of services terminated because of non-payment of bills in accordance with "Miscellaneous Services" listing included in these Rate Schedules.

Miscellaneous Service Charges: Charges for additional services provided shall be made on the basis of the "Miscellaneous Services" listing included in these Rate Schedules.

Effective: Bills rendered after 12/15/09

**Town of Richlands
Schedule O.L.
(Outdoor Lighting)
Codes OL1, OL2, OL3, OL4, OL5, OL6, OL7, OL8**

Availability of Service

Available for outdoor lighting to individual customers located outside areas covered by municipal street lighting systems.

Monthly Rate*

<u>Code</u>	<u>Wattage</u>	<u>Type of Lamp</u>	<u>Total</u>
OL1	100	H.P. SODIUM	\$9.45
OL2	100 (Shared)	H.P. SODIUM	4.73
OL3	400	H.P. SODIUM	21.60
OL4	400 (Shared)	H.P. SODIUM	11.04
OL5	100HPS	POST TOP	10.98
OL6	100HPS	UNGR (Shared)	5.49
OL7	250	H.P. SODIUM	17.09
OL8	250 (Shared)	H.P. SODIUM	8.55

Special Terms and Conditions

Customer must sign a one-year contract agreement with the Town of Richlands. If the customer request that the light be taken down or if the customer moves before the one-year contract expires, they will be charged the balance of the contract.

Effective: Bills rendered after 07/01/05

TOWN OF RICHLANDS, VIRGINIA
SCHEDULE PCA
(Power Cost Adjustment)

APPLICABILITY

This clause is applicable to and becomes a part of each electric rate schedule in which reference is made to Schedule PCA.

FORMULA

The amount charged for each kWh of energy sold by the Town of Richlands may be increased in accordance with the following:

$$PCA = \frac{C - (B \times P)}{S}$$

Where:

- PCA = Power cost adjustment factor; provided, however, that such factor shall not be less than zero.
- C = The estimated total cost of power in dollars to be purchased by the Town of Richlands for the twelve-month period.
- P = The estimated total kilowatt-hours to be purchased by the Town of Richlands for the twelve-month period.
- S = The estimated total kilowatt-hours to be sold by the Town of Richlands for the twelve-month period.
- B = The average cost of wholesale power per kilowatt-hour purchased by the Town of Richlands which is recovered in the Town of Richlands' retail rate schedules, currently \$0.06635.

The PCA factor will be computed according to the above formula for a twelve-month period beginning July of each fiscal year. Should it appear at any time during the twelve-month period that continued use of the PCA factor then in effect for the remainder of the twelve-month period will result in a substantial under recovery of the power cost, the Town of Richlands may modify the existing PCA factor to recover the applicable power cost more accurately. However, the PCA factor will not be less than zero.

Effective: Bills rendered after 8/9/09

Temporary Electric Service Rider

APPLICABILITY: Temporary electric service will be furnished to any Customer under Rate SGS or MGS.

SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS: The Customer must pay either applicable "Miscellaneous Services" charges stated in these Rate Schedules or actual cost, whichever is greater.

See Service Policies & Procedures.

Local Tax Adjustment Rider

When the Town of Richlands is or becomes liable to any political jurisdiction for any gross receipts tax, franchise tax, excise tax, privilege tax, use tax, or any other like charges against its real and/or personal property, or its operation, or its production of energy or the amount of energy sold to or its revenues received from the sales of energy to the Customers within that jurisdiction, the amount of such tax, fee or charge shall be added, pro rata, to the bills of said Customers for electric service rendered within said jurisdiction. This process will thereby prevent Customers not taking service in said jurisdiction from being compelled to share such local taxes. Such tax adjustments shall be shown on the bills of Customers affected as "Tax Adjustment".

When a tax is levied on the Customer's consumption of electric energy by any governmental authority or political subdivision, it may be collected by the Town and transferred to the appropriate body. This local excise tax shall be shown on the bills of Customers affected as "Consumer Tax".