

## Board of Directors Policy

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| Subject: <b>Regulation Governing Change of Electric Tariffs and Rates</b> |                       |                        | Policy No: <b>364</b> |
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### I. OBJECTIVE

This Policy establishes a Regulation for La Plata Electric Association, Inc. (Cooperative), which sets forth a procedure regarding notification of proposed changes in the Tariffs or any rate charged for electric service or in any rule or regulation in connection therewith in compliance with § 40-9.5-106, C.R.S. and § 40-9.5-109, C.R.S., as the same may be amended, superseded, or replaced.

### II. SCOPE AND PURPOSE

This Regulation is promulgated in the best interest of this Cooperative and its Members and Consumers. This Regulation shall be liberally construed to secure the just, speedy and inexpensive determination of matters related to the Tariffs imposed by the Cooperative.

### III. DEFINITIONS

- A. As used in this Regulation, the following words shall have the meanings indicated, unless the context otherwise requires:
1. “Board” shall mean the Board of Directors of the Cooperative.
  2. “Cooperative” shall mean La Plata Electric Association, Inc.
  3. “Consumer” shall mean any Person who is not a Member but who directly receives and is billed for electric service from the Cooperative.
  4. “Local Newspaper” shall mean a newspaper of general circulation within the certificated service territory of the Cooperative affected by the matter for which notice is given.
  5. “Member” shall mean any person who has executed an application for membership with the Cooperative, whose application has been accepted, and who directly receives electric service from the Cooperative.
  6. “Person” shall mean any natural person, firm, partnership, corporation, company, cooperative, joint venture, or any other legal entity.
  7. “Tariff” shall mean and include any rate, fare, toll, charge, classification, rule, or regulation relating to or affecting any rate, classification, or service, or any privilege or facility charged for the provision of electricity.

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### IV. REGULATION

- A. When the Cooperative changes any Tariff hereof, it shall provide prior written or printed notice (substantially in the Form of Notice attached as Exhibit 1 to this Policy) setting forth the change and the effective date by posting on the Cooperative's website and using either, or both, of the following methods:
1. Through a notice sent by United States mail with postage prepaid, or personally delivered, at least 30 days before said effective date, to each of the Cooperative's Members and Consumers.
  2. Causing the same to be published in one or more Local Newspapers.
- B. The Cooperative may hold a hearing to obtain or evaluate comments from Members or Consumers regarding any changes to a Tariff. The changes ultimately authorized may or may not be the same as those provided in the original notice and may include changes different than those Tariffs provided in the original notice or currently in effect. Members and Consumers will be given notice of the hearing as part of the notice set forth in Section IV.A.
- C. Following the hearing, if one is conducted pursuant to Section IV.B, or if no hearing is conducted, any Consumer or Member who desires to register opposition to the proposed change of Tariff shall follow the procedure set forth in Board Policy No. 363 (Regulation Governing Complaints).
- D. If the Cooperative elects not to implement a change to a Tariff, or any part of a Tariff, prior to the effective date of the change, the prior Tariff, or the portion of the Tariff, shall remain in effect. Any future changes to any Tariff shall be addressed pursuant to this Policy.

### V. RESPONSIBILITY

The President of the Board shall be responsible for administration of this Policy.

5/18/22

Date



Secretary