



Aiken Electric Cooperative, Inc.

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APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL MEMBERSHIP AND SERVICE

The undersigned hereby applies for membership in Aiken Electric Cooperative, Inc., (Herein called "Cooperative") the fee to be based upon the rate classification of service rendered. All Cooperative services shall be furnished at established rates. I will comply with the by-laws, rules and regulations of the Cooperative. My indebtedness will be paid when due. Should my account become delinquent, electric service may be promptly discontinued. Thereafter my membership fee, deposit and any capital credits to which I am entitled may be credited against my indebtedness. Applicant agrees to pay all cost of collection including attorney fees, collection fees, and contingent fees to collection agencies of 26%, such contingency fee to be added and collected by the collection agency immediately upon your default and our referral of your account to said collection agency.

I grant to the Cooperative the right to construct, operate, maintain, replace and relocate upon my land identified above, an electric distribution and/or service line, and also to keep same clear of shrubbery and dangerous trees and the use of herbicides to control such.

"The Board of Trustees is hereby authorized (during the term of my membership) to charge against the property interest of my capital credits an amount to be applied to the cost of a year's subscription to Living in South Carolina Magazine."

Corporate Seal

Otto David Simpson
President
Linda Bramlett
Secretary

Applicant Signature _____

Business Name _____

Tax ID Number _____

Describe type of service requested _____

Address to be connected _____ City _____ Zip _____

Mailing Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____

Primary E-mail Address: _____ Secondary E-mail Address: _____

Phone Number: H _____ W _____ C _____ Requested connection date _____

As an Aiken Electric Cooperative member, I may receive phone notifications including automated calls unless requested otherwise.

Optional:

- White
- Black or African American (Not Hispanic or Latino)
- Hispanic or Latino

- Asian (Not Hispanic or Latino)
- American Indian/ Alaska Native (Not Hispanic or Latino)
- Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander (Not Hispanic or Latino)
- Two or more races (Not Hispanic or Latino)

Membership fee \$ 10.00
Processing fee \$ 40.00 \$65.00 (Same day Connect)
Security deposit Cash Deposit \$ _____ Surety Bond Irrevocable Letter of credit

(See page 2 for explanations of deposit requirements.)

For Official Use		Location _____
Date _____	Account number _____	_____

Please read the following statements. Your signature will be required below.

The undersigned (hereinafter called the "applicant") hereby applies for member in Aiken Electric Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter called the "Cooperative") the fee to be based upon the rate classification of service rendered. The applicant hereby agrees to purchase electric energy for the member's use only and not for resale purposes, without written consent of the Cooperative, at fees to be based on the type of service rendered. The owner and applicant warrant that the premises will be, or has been, wired in accordance with the requirements of the National Electrical Code, and releases the Cooperative from any and all liability of every kind and nature for damage which may occur from defective wiring of the premises, or failure to inspect the wiring, and hereby agrees to hold the Cooperative harmless from any and all such liability.

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I grant to the Cooperative the right to place, install, construct, replace, relocate, alter, maintain, patrol, use, utilize, rebuild, inspect, repair, remove, and operate one or more overhead or underground lines for the transmission and distribution of electric energy, communications, television, voice, or data transmission and distribution or similar purposes, consisting of any or all of the following: supporting structures, poles, crossarms, overhead and underground conductors, overhead or underground wires and cables (including fiber optic cable), communication wires, overhead and underground lightning protective wires, guys, push braces, transformers, and other necessary apparatus and appliances and other accessory apparatus and equipment deemed by the Cooperative, its successors, licensees, or assigns, to be necessary upon my land identified in the membership application.

The owner and applicant shall not interfere with any easement in favor of the Cooperative and further covenant and agree not to erect or construct or to permit the erection or construction of any shed, outhouse, structure, building, shrubbery or dangerous trees under, over, or in close proximity to the power lines of the Cooperative. If any such structure is so erected, and notwithstanding any requirement of removal that may be imposed, the Owner and Applicant hereby agree to assume and discharge any liability or damages that may result.

It is the applicant's sole responsibility to ensure safety inside the home before power is connected. The Cooperative will not be held liable for any damages caused by power being connected while the main breaker is on.

If your service is designated as a Special Medical account, you are encouraged to secure a backup source of power. The Cooperative in no way can guarantee electric service at any given time.

It is agreed that the Cooperative reserves the right to discontinue service in case of violation of any terms or for falsification of any of the above information.

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"This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer."

Member Signature: _____

Date _____

Explanation of Programs and Options

Go Green, Save Green

Save **\$12** the first 12 months you pay your bill with E-Billing and Bank Draft. You will receive \$1 Bill Credit per month for the first 12 months you go green and utilize the environmentally friendly options.

E-Billing

With E-Billing, you'll get your bill in an e-mail each month showing you your latest statement. E-Billing also lets you view your account history online.

Bank Draft

Aiken Electric's Draft Bank automatically drafts your checking account each month for the amount of your electric bill. You'll still get a monthly statement showing how much electricity you used and the costs.

Paper Bill

As an Aiken Electric Cooperative member you have the option of receiving an electronic billing statement or a paper billing statement.

Auto-Pay

One time set up that allows you to automatically charge payment to a credit card account or subtract from your checking or savings account on the same day every month.

Phone Payment Options

For your convenience Aiken Electric Cooperative accepts Master Card, Visa, and Electronic Check payments via phone. Our automated payment system can be accessed 24hours a day at 803-649-6245. (Profile must be set previously set up for use.)

Pay By Net Options

Please visit www.aikenco-op.org to access your account, pay your bill and obtain information on Aiken Electric Cooperative programs and policies.

Operation Round Up®

Operation Round Up® is a volunteer participation program for AEC members to help provide food, shelter, clothing, healthcare and other services to those in our communities who need it the most. Each member's electric bill is rounded up to the next highest dollar amount, resulting in an average contribution of about \$6 each year. If you would like to opt-out, please call 803-649-6245.

Security Deposit Options

- Cash Deposit – The standard deposit for commercial service accounts is the two highest consecutive bills at that premise. On accounts without billing history, the deposit will be based on two months estimated usage.
- Surety Bond – This surety bond should be issued in the amount that is equal to the cash deposit amount.
- Irrevocable Letter of Credit – This Letter of Credit should be issued from your bank ensuring payment to Aiken Electric Cooperative.
- Certificate of Deposit – This Certificate of Deposit should be issued in a joint account named to the consumer and Aiken Electric Cooperative, and should equal to the cash deposit amount.