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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
GRAHAM COUNTY ELECTRIC)
COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF A)
TARIFF FOR RESIDENTIAL TOU SERVICE)

DOCKET NO. E-01749A-09-__

NEW TARIFF APPLICATION

Pursuant to Decision No. 69736 dated July 30, 2007, Graham County Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("GCEC") hereby files with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") an Application ("Application") for authorization to provide Time of Use ("TOU") service to residential customers. In support of its Application, GCEC states as follows:

1. GCEC is a non-profit corporation and public service corporation.

GCEC holds a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity, to provide electric service to its member-customers in Graham County, Arizona.

2. The Commission has jurisdiction over GCEC and the subject matter of this Application.

3. GCEC currently provides electric service to approximately 6,100 members.

4. On July 30, the Commission issued Decision No. 69736 which adopted Staff's recommended standard as amended by the Commission on Time of Use rates summarized below.

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1 Within 18 months of the Commission adoption of this standard (or by
2 approximately January 30, 2009), each electric distribution utility shall offer each
3 of its customer classes, and provide individual customers upon customer request, a
4 time-based rate schedule under which the rate charged by the electric utility varies
5 during different time periods and reflects the variance, if any, in the utility's cost
6 of generating and purchasing electricity at the wholesale level.

7 5. GCEC has attached to this Application its proposed Rate Schedule A-TOU for
8 Residential customers. This tariff sets forth the on versus off-peak kWh rates, hours and days as
9 well as the service availability charge for residential customers who choose to take service under
10 this tariff. GCEC believes that this tariff will offer residential customers savings on their bill
11 when compared to its existing residential rate schedule, if they are able to shift their usage from
12 on-peak to off-peak hours.

13 6. As mentioned above, GCEC currently serves approximately 6,100 members of
14 which approximately 5,800 or (95 percent) are residential customers.

15 7. At this time, GCEC is not recommending tariffs for non-residential customers for
16 following reasons. GCEC has not conducted a cost of service study to determine rates and
17 charges for TOU tariffs. GCEC has also not installed meters that record usage or demand for the
18 majority of its residential or non-residential customers. In addition, there is a significantly higher
19 variation in non-residential customers' versus residential customers' usage and demand patterns.
20 Finally, GCEC's power supplier Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. does not time
21 differentiate its rates charged to GCEC. All of this type of information is critical to correctly
22 setting TOU rates and charges for customers.

23 8. As a part of this application, GCEC requests a waiver from filing TOU tariffs for
24 non-residential customers as required by Decision No. 69736 until such time as the information
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1 previously discussed is available or until its next rate case application is filed with the
2 Commission, whichever occurs first.

3 9. GCEC's Rate Schedule A-TOU is: (1) for lawful purpose; (2) within
4 GCEC's corporate powers; (3) compatible with the public interest; (4) within sound financial
5 practices; and (5) within the proper performance of the Cooperative as a public service
6 corporation.
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8 10. GCEC's Rate Schedule A-TOU is dependant upon authorization by this
9 Commission.

10 11. GCEC hereby waives the requirement that the Commission process this
11 Application within 30 days.

12 12. All correspondence with regard to this Application should be
13 sent to:
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15 John V. Wallace
16 Grand Canyon State Electric Cooperative Association, Inc.
17 120 N. 44th Street, Suite 100
18 Phoenix, Arizona 85034
19 E-mail: jwallace@gcseca.coop

20 With a copy to:

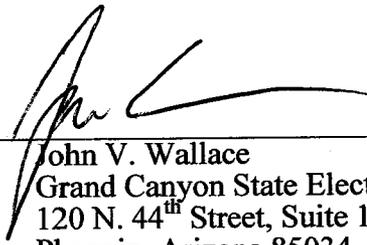
21 Russ Barney
22 GRAHAM COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
23 P. O. Drawer B
24 Pima, Arizona 85543
25 Email: russb@gce.coop
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1 WHEREFORE, GCEC, having fully stated its Application and showing
2 that it is in the public interest for the Cooperative to offer GCEC's Rate Schedule A-TOU to
3 provide residential member-customers optional TOU service, hereby requests that the
4 Commission:

- 5 1. Accept GCEC's Application for filing.
- 6 2. Authorize GCEC to offer Rate Schedule A-TOU to its residential customers; and
- 7 3. Grant GCEC's request for a waiver from filing TOU tariffs for non-residential
8 customers as required by Decision No. 69736 until such time as the information discussed in
9 Paragraph 7. above is available or until its next rate case application is filed with the Commission,
10 whichever occurs first.
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15 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 2nd day of February, 2009.

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18 By



John V. Wallace
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120 N. 44th Street, Suite 100
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22 Original and thirteen (13) copies of
23 GCEC's Application
24 filed this 2nd day of February, 2009
25 with:

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GRAHAM COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

RATE SCHEDULE A-TOU

RESIDENTIAL TIME OF USE SERVICE

Effective Date:

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AVAILABILITY

Available to residential consumers adjacent to the Cooperative's facilities throughout its service area, requiring single-phase service for all home use. Subject to adequate capacity, and the rules and regulations of the Cooperative.

APPLICABILITY

To all single-phase residential electric service in individual private dwellings and individually metered apartments when all service is supplied at one point of delivery and energy is metered through one meter, including water pumps individually metered for home use only.

TYPE OF SERVICE

Single-phase 60 cycles, at available secondary voltage. Individual motors served under this schedule shall not exceed 7 1/2 H.P.

RATE SCHEDULE - STANDARD OFFER

Service Availability Charge	\$15.00	per month
Off-Peak Energy Charge	\$0.06	per kWh
On-Peak Energy Charge	\$0.21	per kWh

DEFINITION OF ON-PEAK

April 1 through October 31: For this rate schedule, on-peak hours are 1 P.M. to 8 P.M., every day, including weekends and holidays. All other hours are considered to be Off-Peak.

November 1 through March 31: For this rate schedule, on-peak hours are 6 A.M. to 9 A.M. and 5 P.M. to 9 P.M., every day, including weekends and holidays. All other hours are considered to be Off-Peak.

DEFINITION OF HOLIDAYS

Holidays are defined as New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

The consumer may choose to return to Rate Schedule A - Residential Service at any time but will not be allowed to take service under Rate Schedule A-TOU for a period of at least 12 months.

PURCHASED POWER ADJUSTOR RATE

The Cooperative may increase or decrease customer's bills due to variances in the cost of purchased power from the base cost of power included in its rate schedule. The Cooperative must notify the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) of all such increases or decreases. The base cost of power in the current rates is \$.076509 per kWh as authorized by the ACC in Decision No. 70289 dated April 24, 2008.

METER READINGS

All meter readings and billings shall be based on actual meter readings. Meter readings and billings will be made as closely as practical on the same day of each month on a cycle basis.

TERMS OF PAYMENT

All bills for electric service are due and payable no later than fifteen (15) days from the billing date and become delinquent twenty-five (25) days from the billing date and could incur a late payment charge. Delinquent bills are subject to disconnect upon five (5) days written notice.

For purposes of this rule, the date a bill is rendered may be evidenced by:

- a. The postmark date.
- b. The mailing date.
- c. The billing date shown on the bill (however, the billing date shall not differ from the postmark or mailing date by more than two (2) days).
- d. The transmission date for electronic bills.

All payments shall be made at or mailed to the office of the utility or to the utility's authorized payment agency. The date on which the utility actually receives the customer's remittance is considered the payment date.