

## FALL RIVER RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

# GENERAL POLICY No. 409 SUBJECT: MOVEMENT OF BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT UNDER AND THROUGH COOPERATIVE LINES

### I. PURPOSE:

The movement of buildings and equipment under Cooperative lines provides a source of possible disruption and possible safety hazard.

### II. POLICY:

It shall be the policy of the Cooperative to permit the movement of buildings and equipment under or through Cooperative lines only under the conditions established by this policy. The mover shall be required to follow all state and local codes, laws and obtain Department of Transportation (DOT) and any other permits if applicable.

## III. RESPONSIBILITY:

The CEO/General Manager is responsible for seeing that the provisions of this policy are carried out.

## IV. PROVISIONS:

The following procedures and conditions shall apply to the provisions of this policy.

- A. No movement of buildings or equipment that will involve cooperative lines shall begin until a route and plans are approved by cooperative personnel with a minimum advance notice of five full working days.
- B. The Cooperative will establish an estimate prior to the move to determine labor and equipment cost. The mover will be charged the estimated cost in advance as a deposit. Any unused portion of the estimate will be refunded to the mover. Any additional cost will be billed to the mover.

- C. If the move requires power outages, the Cooperative reserves the right to set the time and day this can be done. The mover may incur a charge for lost revenue if the Cooperative deems it appropriate.
- D. There are times when house or equipment movers attempt to go under the Cooperative's lines without making arrangements with the Cooperative. If such an attempt is made and the mover does not agree to pay costs, the Cooperative is authorized to obtain a court order to stop the move and/or contact appropriate authorities including the local sheriff and police departments.
- E. The Cooperative will not assume responsibility or liability for mishaps or accidents resulting from persons moving structures contacting Cooperative lines. In the event that damage is done to any part of the system as a result of such unqualified persons working with or moving through Cooperative lines, the person or entity responsible for the move shall be legally liable for all costs and damages and any resulting injuries, for which the Cooperative may become liable.
- F. The Cooperative personnel will not be permitted to assist with a move except where it involves work on Cooperative lines. They will not be permitted to work from the building, or equipment being moved, or the equipment being used to make the move.
- G. All work on Cooperative lines shall be accomplished in accordance with all safety rules and accepted safe practices.

## V. PRIMACY OF POLICY

This policy supersedes any existing policy that may be in conflict with the provisions of this policy.

# APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Doug Schmier, President

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