
Riverland Energy Cooperative

Arcadia, Wisconsin

Policy #68

SUBJECT: Underground Winter Construction

OBJECTIVE: To set forth the rules regarding the installation of underground facilities during winter and frozen ground conditions at the request of consumers.

POLICY: Effective September 1, 1978, the following restrictions will be used regarding installation of underground facilities during winter conditions.

1. All facilities associated with primary underground construction shall not be installed when weather and/or frozen ground do not allow installation using normal construction methods and equipment. It shall be a staff responsibility to determine when cold weather prohibits working on primary cable and connections. The temperature of 32°F should be used as a minimum working temperature with primary cable. If primary cable cannot be installed by use of a vibratory plow due to frozen ground conditions, installation should not be performed.
2. Secondary facilities shall not be installed by the Cooperative in frozen ground conditions unless the consumer provides a trench from the transformer to the metering location for the secondary cable and fills the trench after installation.
3. Restrictions of parts 1 and 2 do not apply if extension of service was requested with adequate time to be able to be permanently installed prior to the time of winter weather or frozen ground.

RESPONSIBILITY: Manager of Operations and Staking Engineers.

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