

"Exhibit A"

1. Company Load Reduction During Fuel Shortages.

This step will be taken by the Utility when its fuel supplies are decreasing and the remaining fuel supplies are sufficient in its opinion for not more than approximately 50 days operation of its generation facilities.

A. Utility use of electric energy will be reduced in any way that will not jeopardize essential operations.

B. Fuel supply levels at the Utility's generating stations will become a determinant in economic dispatch decisions in the effort to maintain a reasonable supply of fuel at all generating stations.

C. The Utility will partially or fully terminate the availability of electric energy under the surplus capacity provisions of rates for industrial and commercial power service. This shall not apply to cooperative or municipal utilities with generation.

2. Customer Voluntary Load Reduction During Fuel Shortages.

If fuel supplies continue to decrease and the Utility's remaining fuel supply is sufficient in its opinion for not more than 50 days' operation of its generating facilities appeals to users will be made for the voluntary curtailment of load. Efforts should be made to obtain a decrease in usage of approximately 25% except that a lesser amount would be the goal for specific customers if the 25% reduction would result in situations where health and safety is not adequately protected.

A. Public appeals will be made by the Utility through appropriate news media asking customers to reduce their use of electric energy by approximately 25% because of the impending fuel shortage.

B. Direct appeals will be made by the Utility to major industrial and commercial customers and to wholesale customers requesting them to shut off nonessential loads, and curtail usage in an effort to obtain a 25% reduction.

3. Mandatory Load Reduction During Fuel Shortages.

If fuel supplies continue to decrease and the Utility's remaining fuel supply is sufficient in its opinion for not more than 40 days' operation of its generating facilities, mandatory curtailment will commence pursuant to sections 4. through 12. hereof.

4. Mandatory Curtailment, Limitation and Priorities of Service.

When fuel supplies are sufficient for not more than 40 days operation of the Utility's generating facilities or when for any reason sufficient amounts of electric power, in the judgment of the Utility, are not available to the Company to meet all existing and reasonably anticipated demands for service or to protect the integrity and stability of the system, the Utility shall have the right to restrict, limit or curtail electric service within any of its systems so affected in accordance with any of the provisions of this Rule.

5. Definitions.

For the purpose of this Rule, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

A. Human Needs Customers

Human needs customers shall include hospitals, medical centers, nursing homes, and customers where curtailment would adversely affect public health and safety such as municipal fire departments, police departments, civil defense, and emergency Red Cross services, and any other facility whose use of electric energy is vital to public health and safety as determined by the Utility.

B. Residential Customers

Residential customers shall mean customers living in residential dwelling, mobile homes, apartments, or condominiums.

C. Commercial Customers

Commercial customers shall mean customers engaged primarily in wholesale or retail trade and services including clubs, institutions, and local, state and federal governmental agencies, except educational institutions.

D. Industrial Customers

Industrial customers shall be customers who are engaged primarily in a process that creates or changes raw or unfinished materials into another form or product.

E. Service Obligation

Service obligation shall be the largest metered demand (peak demand for customers serviced on industrial and commercial rates) in the previous twelve months. If no such demand information is available, an estimate will be used determined by dividing the KWH in the maximum usage month in such previous twelve months by 200 hours.

F. Living Quarters

Living quarters as used in Service Priority Class II shall mean hotels, motels, dormitories and similar dwelling places.

G. Base Monthly Consumption

Base monthly consumption will be the customer's average billing month usage based upon the three month period in the prior twelve months which corresponds to the billing month being curtailed and the immediately preceding and succeeding months. Adjustments may be made for customers with changed circumstances that have caused the prior year's usage during the period to be nonrepresentative of current usage during the period.

H. Dispensable Uses

The following and similar types of uses of electric energy shall be considered dispensable uses:

1. Outdoor flood and advertising lighting except for the minimum level necessary to protect life and property and a single illuminated sign identifying commercial facilities that are open after dark.
2. General lighting levels in stores and offices greater than minimum functional levels.
3. Show window and display lighting.
4. Greater number of elevators operating in office buildings during nonpeak hours than is necessary.
5. Parking lot lighting above minimum functional levels.
6. Energy use greater than that necessary to maintain a temperature of no less