



Policy 140: Ownership of Facilities

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Purpose: To distinguish ownership and operational responsibilities of distribution and transmission facilities within McKenzie Electric Cooperative, Inc. (MEC) service area.

Provisions: In the interest of safety, it is in the best interest of the Cooperative that all primary facilities used to distribute electric power to MEC members be constructed and operated by MEC. Transmission facilities are those designed to operate at 41.6kV and above. Distribution facilities are those designed to operate below 41.6kV.

Distribution Transformers: MEC will operate all distribution transformers.

- 300kVA and below transformers are considered standard stock. Membership will pay for the installation of standard transformers (labor only). Replacement of standard transformers will be MEC's responsibility.
- Greater than 300kVA transformers are considered non-standard stock. Non-standard transformers will be paid for by the member (material and labor) and replacement costs associated with a failure or replacement will be paid by the member.
- MEC shall own all non-transformer facilities up to the later of the transformer secondary bushings or meter, and when applicable, the current transformers (CTs) and meter.

Transmission Transformers: MEC will own, maintain, and replace all transmission related facilities, including substations, and transmission lines, that were paid for by contribution-in-aid-of-construction by member(s).

For members receiving service at transmission voltage through a dedicated substation, the service wires installed from the last transformer (point A) serving to the member's MCC (Motor Control Center) or PDC (Power Distribution Center) building (point B) are considered owned by and the responsibility of the member.

Services: A Member may request MEC to assist with inspection and troubleshooting of member's transformer. These services may be provided at MEC's discretion.