

**TRI-COUNTY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.**

**POLICY BULLETIN NO 3-10**

**SUBJECT: METER ACCESSIBILITY**

**I. POLICY:**

Meters must be accessible to Tri-County personnel at all times.

**II. PROCEDURE:**

- A. Members must locate meters so cooperative personnel have access at all times.
- B. Members who choose to prevent unwanted access to their property by gating off and locking the premises at the gate must interlock their lock with a Tri-County lock. Providing a key that fits a member owned lock to Tri-County is not acceptable. Interlocking padlocks can consist of chain, flat stock steel, or bar stock steel with provisions for padlocks on either end.
- C. Inaccessible meters shall be documented by the cooperative and the member affected shall be sent a certified letter identifying the inaccessibility issue.
- D. The Member shall be given no more than 90 days to correct the accessibility issue. Should the member fail to make the meter accessible within the 90 day period, electric service to the account shall be disconnected and the member shall be subject to reconnection fees as listed on the Schedule of Fees. Said service shall not be reconnected until the meter is made accessible.

**III. RESPONSIBILITY:**

President & CEO or Designee

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