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IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING 2019 IRRIGATION RATES & OPTIONS

No Rate Change for the 2019 Season

In 2018, Northeast Power modified options for our irrigation customers using the Time of Use rate (ITOU). Although the 2018 season ended up not being a very good test year as the season resulted in minimal use, we still believe these options will give you more operating flexibility, be easier to manage and hopefully save you money too. The options presented for 2018 will remain the same for the 2019 season. All hours are at the off-peak or on-peak rate unless curtailment has been announced. These ITOU rate options are A, B and C. Below is a very brief description:

Option A: Text message notifications will be sent when high priced 'critical peak pricing' will be in effect. You respond accordingly based on your decision to continue to irrigate or not.

Annual kW \$37.35 per kW

Off-Peak 11:00 pm – 2:00 pm daily @ 3.4¢ per kWh **On-Peak** 2:00 pm – 11:00 pm daily @ 7.5¢ per kWh

Critical Peak – declared curtailment times limited to 12 hours daily between 9:00 am - 11:00 pm @ 75.0¢ per kWh

Option B: Instead of responding to a text message on varying days and times, customers may choose instead a daily set 5-hour curtailment. The curtailment is not expected to start until Northeast's total load reaches a peak threshold. In a typical summer, that could be in July. The schedules were never implemented in 2018 as Northeast loads never reached peak threshold. Once the curtailment period starts, the 5-hour curtailment will be every day, 7 days a week. Customers selecting this option will have 10 hours of off-peak pricing, same as in 2017. Prior to the start of the scheduled curtailment, Option B customers will have 15 hours of off-peak pricing and only 9 hours of on peak pricing.

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Off-Peak 11:00 pm – 2:00 pm daily @ 3.4¢ per kWh **On-Peak** 2:00 pm – 11:00 pm daily @ 7.5¢ per kWh

Critical Peak - Daily set 5-hour schedule @ 75.0¢ per kWh

Option C: For ITOU customers choosing Option A, Northeast Power will give a \$7.35 per kW credit at the end of the 2019 irrigation season if the customer agrees to a 5-hour curtailment in addition to possibly 7 hours of daily text message curtailments. This is a combination of Options A & B. The total combined curtailment time will be limited to 12 hours daily. The Option C set schedule was not implemented in 2018 as Northeast loads never reached peak threshold.

Annual kW \$37.35 less \$7.35 end of season credit = \$30.00 per kW

Off-Peak 11:00 pm – 2:00 pm daily @ 3.4¢ per kWh **On-Peak** 2:00 pm – 11:00 pm daily @ 7.5¢ per kWh

Critical Peak - Daily set 5-hour schedule in addition to declared curtailment times of a possible additional 7 hours daily between 9:00 am - 11:00 pm @ 75.0¢ per kWh

Option B & C daily 5-hour set schedules are anticipated to be 6:00 am - 11:00 am or 11:00 pm – 4:00 am time slots for the 2019 season. These schedules will be confirmed in early May.

Option D: This is not a new option. This is the full cost 'no control' rate that has always been an option.

Annual kW charge: \$100 per kW

On & Off Peak 6.1¢ per kWh

For detailed descriptions of each option please read the enclosed ITOU rate schedule

Option elections will remain the same for 2019 as what was selected in 2018. Please notify us of changes prior to April 20, 2019!

Your 2018 option selections per account will remain the same for 2019 unless you notify us of a change by April 20th. We can't give you an exact set schedule for Options B or C until after we know how many services elect those options. We will start with 11:00 pm to 4:00 am and 6:00 am to 11:00 am time slots. We will communicate the confirmed schedules to you in early May. If we do not receive an option selection from you prior to April 20, we will assume you desire to stay on the same Option as last year. No response is necessary if you do not wish to make any changes.

If you are currently on No-Control, you will remain on No-Control unless we hear from you prior to April 20th.

If you no longer own or rent a location for the 2019 season, please notify us immediately!

If you plan to not use your irrigation service for the 2019 season, it may be possible to switch to an idle service rate. Please call the office prior to April 20th to discuss.

Capacitors Required

Please note that the irrigation rate requires capacitors to correct power factor. Loads that have poor power factor create higher costs for all customers. Future bills will be corrected to a 95% power factor to maintain fairness.

Critical Peak Notification Instructions

We will notify you of critical peak pricing and the Option B & Option C set schedule start dates via text message. In order to receive these messages, you must enroll. ***Enrollment instructions will be sent in May.*** After we verify everyone's Option elections for the 2019 season, we will finalize the Option B & C set schedules. We will then divide the load into call groups. You will enroll to receive messages for your specific call group. Text message enrollment instructions will be sent in a separate letter in May. Test messages will be sent out in late May, and daily curtailment notification messages will begin June 1. You will be required to enroll for the 2019 season even if you were enrolled for the 2018 season.

We plan to send out the kW billing the last week of April, so it is very important that we receive any account changes prior to April 20th.

Don't hesitate to call 1-800-750-9277 with questions. We wish you a safe and profitable irrigation season.

Thank you.

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On the reverse side is a list of irrigation accounts that we have for your member number along with the Option selected for the 2018 season.

Please circle your chosen option for each account for the 2019 season and return to Northeast by April 20, 2019. If you do not wish to make any changes, no reply is necessary!

No guarantees can be made that all customer accounts will be on the same schedules. *If no selections are made by April 20, 2019, your account will continue to be enrolled in the Option listed (Option chosen in 2018).*

If you are currently on No-Control, you will remain on No-Control unless we hear from you.

Option A: Text messaging notifications of Critical Peak Pricing

Option B: Scheduled 5-hour daily curtailment during off-peak hours (schedule times to be determined)

Option C: Reduced cost of Annual kW charge (with end of season bill credit) for Option A customers that combine an additional scheduled 5-hour daily curtailment. (schedule times to be determined)

Option D: If you would prefer the 'No-Control' Option instead of the Time-Of-Use rate, please contact the office at 1-800-750-9277 and visit with a Billing Clerk.

If you no longer own or rent any of the irrigation accounts listed, please notify us immediately!

I have read Rate ITOU and select the option(s) on the reverse side for the 2019 irrigation season. (No response is necessary if you do not wish to make any changes.)

Signed: _____ Date: _____