

## Rock Energy Cooperative

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Dear Prospective Member:

Thank you for contacting Rock Energy Cooperative for new service.

Established in 1936, Rock Energy is a not-for-profit utility distributing safe and reliable electricity and natural gas to more than 27,000 meters across our nine-county service area in southern Wisconsin and northern Illinois. We are dedicated to providing members with the highest quality service at the lowest possible price.

This packet contains all the information you need to apply for electric and/or natural gas service. Details about electric installation can be found in the <u>Electric Service Standards</u> document. Natural gas details are available in the <u>Natural Gas Service Manual</u>.

Please complete the enclosed application and return it along with the required documents by any of the following means:

Email:	NewMember@rock.coop					
Fax:	(608) 752-6620	(815) 389-9100				
Mail:	Rock Energy Cooperative P.O. Box 1758 Janesville, WI 53547	Rock Energy Cooperative P.O. Box 126 South Beloit, IL 61080				
Drop off:	2815 Kennedy Road Janesville, WI	15229 Willowbrook Road South Beloit, IL				

For information about pricing, please contact our office at 866-752-4550.

We are looking forward to meeting your energy needs. If you have any questions, please call us at 866-752-4550 between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays.

Sincerely,

**Rock Energy Cooperative** 



#### **Application and Forms:**

The following are required for all Electric and Natural Gas services. Keep copies for your records.

- "Request for Residential Electric and Natural Gas Service" Include Tax ID or SSN (signed and dated)
- "Rock Energy Electric and Natural Gas Service Agreement" (signed and dated)
- For commercial applications, include the electric and/or natural gas requirements page(s). (signed and dated)
- Sketch of member-owned facilities to be included (see attached example).
- Attach recorded copy of certified survey map or platted lot and lot corners staked.
- Keep a copy of all documents for your records.

#### Site Sketch and Meter Location Requirements:

- A. Mark an "E" for your proposed electric meter socket/ pedestal location with a measurement from the nearest corner of the dwelling.
- B. Mark a "G" for your proposed natural gas meter location with a measurement from the nearest corner of the dwelling.
- C. Show locations for all existing, proposed, and future decks, pools, sheds, garages, wells, septic system, underground tanks/ fuel lines, drain tiles/ downspouts, sanitary and storm drain laterals, member-owned wires, sprinkler systems, yard lighting, etc.
- D. Detail existing and future hard surface areas such as driveways and parking areas.

#### Processing request for service:

1. All new applicants are subject to the REC Deposit Policy. This will require a "soft" credit check to determine whether a deposit is required to set up services. This credit check will not affect your credit score. If a deposit is required, you will be contacted by Member Services and the deposit must be paid before further processing will occur.

#### Installing and Energizing your Service:

- 1. By law, the Member must pothole (expose) any privately owned facilities that will be in conflict of REC installing Electric cable or Natural Gas pipe.
- 2. Your Electric Service will be installed and energized after:
  - a. Payment is received for any required credit deposits.
  - b. Paid invoice for line extension costs.
  - c. Member wiring installations meet the minimum requirements as set forth by current NFPA 70 NEC, state regulatory commissions, and the local Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ). Rock Energy shall receive written approval from the AHJ.
- 3. Your Natural Gas Service will be installed after:
  - a. Payment is received for any required credit deposits.
  - b. Paid invoice for line extension costs.
  - c. Equipment and site meet the standards in Rock Energy's Natural Gas Service Manual.
  - d. We will turn on the natural gas after Rock Energy receives a completed, signed and dated Natural Gas Disclosure Statement. Although the disclosure is included in this packet, it is not to be returned until the criteria detailed on the document is complete.



## Application for Residential Electric and Natural Gas Service

-Homeow	ner and S	ite Inform	ation-						
Last Name First Name					Middle Initial	SS #/Fed. ID			
New Service Address/Fire Number & Street				City / State / 2	Zip				
Existing Mailing Address/Fire Number & Street				City / State / 2	Zip				
Daytime Phor	e Number	Evening Phor	ne Number	Email Address	s				
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Check One			City/Town/Villag	e Name		Subdivision N	ame	Lot Number	
City	Town	Village							
County		Square Foota	ige of Dwelling		Dwelling Type	e (Check One)		Number of Units	
					Single Fa	amily Mu	ulti-Unit		
-Billing In	nformatior	)-							
	be billed for ele		Ilation?		Who should b	e billed for ele	ctric/gas usage	e during construction?	
Builder	/Contractor	Hom	eowner		Builder/	Contractor	Hom	eowner	
	tor Inform	ation-							
Builder/Contra	actor Name			Contact Perso	on Name		Federal Tax II	D Number	
Address/Fire Number # & Street				City / State / 2	Zip				
Daytime Phor	e Number	Evening Phor	ne Number	Email Address	S				
Electrical Contractor			Work Phone N	Work Phone Number Cell Phone Number			umber		
Heating Contractor			Work Phone Number Cell Phone I		Cell Phone Nu	umber			
-Electric	Service R	equiremer	nts-						
Service Amps		200 320	Other:		Service Type:	Overhead	d Undergro	bund	
Distributed Ge		Yes No	)				ner:		
List any electric devices that may significantly impact electrical consumption (e.g. instant water heaters, motors, electric vehicles, air compressors):									
-Natural	Gas Equip	ment-	-BTU I	NFORMATI	ON IS REQ	UIRED FOF	R ALL APPL	IANCES-	
Heating	Quantity	BTUs		Water He	ater	Quantity	BTUs		
Range	Quantity	BTUs		Dryer		Quantity	BTUs		
Water Heater Instantaneous	Quantity	BTUs		Other (Ger Heater, etc.	nerator, Pool, .)	Quantity	BTUs	BTUs	
-Approva	I and Acce	eptance-		<b>I</b>					
			ove attest to its	accuracy and a	approve of its s	submission.			
I have reviewed the information listed above, attest to its a Homeowner/Responsible Party Signature		Homeowner/Responsible Party Printed Name		me	Date				
Accepted by Rock Energy Cooperative (REC) / For Office Use Only									
		Gas WO No.							
REC Representative Signature			REC Represe	entative Printed	l Name		Date		

### Rock Energy Electric and Natural Gas Service Agreement

- The owner/responsible party understand(s) and agree(s) that prior to installation of underground electric lines or natural gas piping, the owner/ responsible party shall have established the final grade of the route and that after installation of the line the grade shall not be increased or decreased more than 6" without the approval of Rock Energy Cooperative (REC). If applicant is not the owner, the applicant is responsible for obtaining such agreement in writing from the owner(s) and providing it to the Cooperative, at no expense to the Cooperative.
- 2. Easement: Right of Access
  - a. The owner/responsible party grant to the Cooperative the right to clear for installation and maintenance of its overhead and/or underground electric line or gas piping and to use any necessary equipment in, on and across the above described land, along highways and along fence lines thereon, and to extend such lines along or near property lines of such premises as may reasonably be necessary to extend service to future applicants for such service, and to permit the attachment of communication lines and equipment owned by others. If applicant is not the owner, the applicant is responsible for obtaining such an agreement in writing from the owner(s) and providing it to the Cooperative, at no expense to the Cooperative, unless it has previously been provided to the Cooperative.
  - b. The owner/responsible party jointly with other owners/responsible parties on the same extension shall, without cost to the Cooperative, maintain a right-of-way, which the Cooperative has the right to clear, adequate for the extension and along a route approved by the Cooperative.
  - c. If requested by the Cooperative, the owner/responsible party shall grant to the Cooperative an easement in recordable form conveying the rights and privileges in (a) and (b) above. If applicant is not the owner, the applicant is responsible for obtaining the easement in writing from the owner and to providing it to the Cooperative, at no expense to the Cooperative.
- 3. The owner/responsible party individually and jointly agree(s) to indemnify and hold harmless the Cooperative from all claims against the Cooperative because of any injury, disease or death sustained by reason of any act, omission or negligence of the owner/responsible party, or any agent, employee or subcontractor thereof.
- 4. This agreement shall become effective when acceptance of the application has been signed on behalf of the Cooperative.
- 5. The owner/responsible party is subject to the Cooperative's rates, bylaws, policies, rules and regulations.
- 6. The owner/responsible party is responsible for notifying the Cooperative of contaminated media (soil, groundwater, etc.) that may be present on the premises prior to Cooperative commencing installation or extension of service. The Cooperative reserves the right to consider alternate service routes, if necessary, to avoid contaminated media. The owner/responsible party may be held liable for additional costs incurred by the Cooperative if contaminated media is encountered during the installation of service.

If contaminated media is encountered during the installation or extension of service, the Cooperative shall terminate the installation or extension of service and notify the owner/responsible party. The owner/responsible party is responsible for reporting the discovery of contamination to the appropriate agencies and managing the contaminated media generated during the installation of service.

- 7. The Cooperative agrees to furnish, and the owner/responsible party agrees to take and pay for, utility service in accordance with provisions and rates; subject to all applicable rules of the Cooperative, including, but not limited to, terms and conditions on this page hereof; until such time as the owner/responsible party discontinues service or elects to make a written application for service under a different schedule. Such election, however, may not be exercised within a one-year period from the date of this agreement.
- Owner/responsible party understands that meters will be set when wiring installations meet the minimum requirements as set forth by current NFPA 70 NEC, state regulatory commissions, and the local Authority having Jurisdiction (AHJ). Rock Energy shall receive written approval from the AHJ. Monthly billing will begin once meters are set.
- 9. Owner/responsible party understands that upon transfer of demand billed accounts, the owner/responsible party who is responsible for the property at the time of the coincident peak, will be the party responsible for the monthly demand charge.
- 10. Member agrees to provide unrestricted access to all REC property. Such property includes, but is not limited to, the meter and transformer, which shall remain the property of REC and shall not be altered in any way. Any alterations are illegal and could be extremely dangerous.
- Owner/responsible party understands that services idle for 6 months are subject to inspection by the AHJ before service will be energized. Rock Energy shall receive written approval from the AHJ. Services idle for two or more years will be retired or subject to the monthly REC Line Retention Fee.

#### Trench Marking Agreement

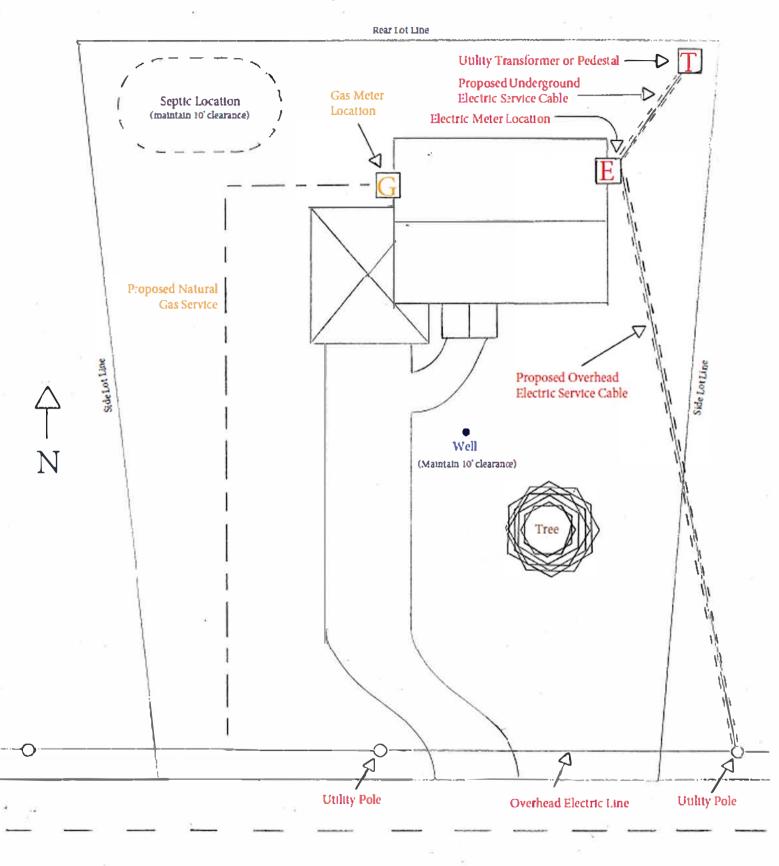
The owner/responsible party agrees the Cooperative will dig, trench, plow or bore on the property located at the above address for the installation of utility services. Utility rates are based on rough grade construction, meaning the Cooperative will backfill and smooth over any excavations that the Cooperative performs. *Final restoration, grass seeding, watering and mowing are the responsibility of the owner/responsible party.* 

Prior to digging, trenching or boring, the Cooperative will identify the route of the proposed excavation. The Cooperative will notify other utility owners to facilitate the marking of existing underground utilities, including electric, telephone and cable TV.

The owner/responsible party agrees to physically mark the location of any and all owned obstacles that lie underground within ten feet of proposed excavation. Such obstacles include, but are not limited to, septic and sewer systems, buried wires for out-buildings or decorative lighting and LP gas lines. The owner/responsible party shall mark the location of all of these obstacles with stakes or flags or by painting the ground. The owner/responsible party hereby accepts any and all responsibility for damage to, or damage done by striking, any such underground obstacle which they have failed to mark correctly.

# Approval and Acceptance I understand and agree to the terms and conditions as listed above in the Rock Energy Electric and Natural Gas Service Agreement. Owner/Responsible Party Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_\_

## **EXAMPLE: Building Site Sketch and Meter Locations**



Please notify Rock Energy of any member-owned underground facilities, i.e., electric wiring, lighting, pet fences, water or sewer laterals, tanks, fuel lines, drain tiles, downspouts, wells, septic, etc.



ELECTRIC METERING

#### **RESIDENTIAL SERVICE INSTALLATIONS**

The following items need to be completed prior to Rock Energy energizing your new electric service:

- > Application completed and returned.
- Property within 6 inches of final grade.
- Member supplies a 10 ft wide (minimum) route clear of construction material, trees, and/or brush.
- > Electric meter socket installed meeting the following conditions:
  - Meter socket approved by Rock Energy and meets mechanical, voltage, and current requirements for your installation.
  - Residential meter socket to include meter horns (minimum) or lever bypass (preferred)
  - Meter socket to be equipped with terminal block connectors for REC conductor.
     REC does not use compression fittings.
  - Underground service meter pedestals shall be mounted where the center of the meter will be 3' (minimum) to 4' above final grade while the bottom of the pedestal is 18" below final grade
  - $\circ$  Overhead service meter sockets shall be mounted so the meter is 5' (+/- 6") above final grade.
  - Grounding shall conform to Rock Energy Cooperative's Grounding Standards. Rock Energy *requires* all bonding conductors to be installed *external* of service equipment or metering equipment enclosures. THE GROUNDING CONDUCTOR BETWEEN THE MEMBER'S SERVICE DISCONNECT AND THE GROUND RODS SHALL NOT PASS THROUGH THE METER SOCKET, INSTRUMENT TRANSFORMER CABINETS, OR THE UTILITY PORTION OF A METER MAIN PEDESTAL.
- Meter socket inspected and approved by Authority Having Jurisdiction.

After the above criteria is met, we will conduct a field visit to measure the service routes, then create and send you an invoice for installation. Once we receive a paid invoice, we will move the project to our construction calendar. After the project moves to the construction calendar, services are generally installed within 2 - 3 weeks.

#### **IDENTIFICATION OF METERS**

For multiple metering installations, each meter position shall be marked with the address or unit number of the location served on the outside of the socket or by the breaker. This marking shall also be placed on the corresponding distribution panel(s). The external marking shall be a **permanent self-sticking brass or engraved rigid plastic label with minimum ½ inch block letters or numbers.** A permanent marking shall also be inside the meter socket base in a visible location when the cover is removed. Rock Energy will not install meters until this requirement is met.

#### **COMMERCIAL USAGE**

All commercial accounts and all residential accounts with more than 7 kw of commercial load, will be placed on a rate schedule requiring demand billing. For more information on demand billing, go to our website at *rock.coop* under the *member services* tab, *billing*, *demand charge*.



## Rock Energy Cooperative Natural Gas Disclosure Statement (IL only)

<u>Important Notice</u>: This Disclosure Statement must be signed, dated and returned to Rock Energy Cooperative prior to the natural gas service being turned on at the address below.

Property Owner:	 Phone Number:	 	
Address of Gas Meter:			

The above owner is requesting REC turn on the natural gas service at the above address. The following are the terms and conditions associated with turning the service on. <u>After the meter is set, the owner is responsible to complete the following prior to sending in the Disclosure Statement:</u>

- Piping completed from the meter to their appliances
- Pressure test
- External piping painted to protect from corrosion
- Pipe passing through wall wrapped without seams or folds
- Comply to all plumbing codes
- Member underground piping must be preapproved by REC

The member is subject to trip charges for services rendered after the initial attempt is made to turn the meter stop on by Rock Energy. The meter stop will be left off and locked if it does not pass a creep test. Any subsequent trips to the above location, beyond the initial service call, will be subject to fees and charges. Should the above natural gas service fail to pass an REC inspection, which will include a gas creep test, REC is required to issue a Caution Card. In addition, REC may require the above owner to furnish a completed and signed Piping Statement and/or approval from the County Plumbing Inspector. The owner is responsible for any and all costs that result beyond the owner's shut-off.

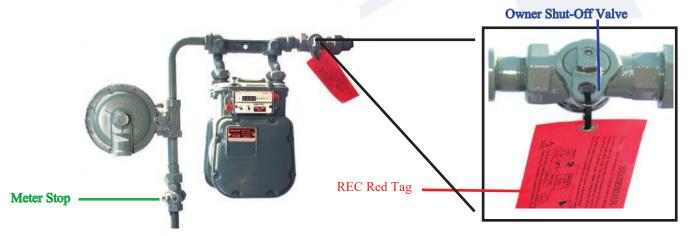
The owner is responsible for removing the REC Red Tag, opening the Owners Shut-Off valve and for all relights at the above address (see diagram below).

By signing below, I understand that I am requesting Rock Energy Cooperative turn on the natural gas service at the above address. I understand that Rock Energy Cooperative is not responsible for any and all claims arising from turning on the natural gas service. I agree to the above terms and conditions. I further understand that should I fail to pay any charges to Rock Energy Cooperative, the natural gas service is subject to immediate disconnection. I understand that as the property owner it is my responsibility to notify my tenant, if applicable, of the information provided in this document. I agree that I am responsible for any fees resulting in my failure to do so.

**Owner Signature** 

Date

\* The owner is responsible for removing the REC Red Tag, opening the Owners Shut-Off valve and for all relights at the above address (see diagram below).



Meter's may vary slightly in appearance, but all have the same equipment in similar locations.