

# **CPS Energy**

Annual Pole Attachment Rate and Attachment Connection Fee \_ Revised (Effective on January 1, 2021)

In compliance with the CPS Energy Pole Attachment Standards, this disclosure statement outlines the formula, inputs, and calculation used to derive the annual Attachment Rate and the annual Wireless Installation Rate and is based on data that ties to audited annual financial reports for Fiscal Year Ending (FYE) 2021<sup>1</sup>.

CPS Energy calculates the annual Attachment Rate as provided by Section 54.204(c) of the Texas Utilities Code, which requires application of the pole attachment rate formula adopted by the Federal Communications Commission<sup>2</sup> under 47 U.S.C. § 224(e), where:

#### Attachment Rate = (Space Factor) x (Cost)

Space Factor = (Space Occupied) + ((2/3)(Unusable Space))/(Number of Attaching Entities) (Average Pole Height)

and,

**Cost** = (0.4448) x (Net Cost of a Bare Pole) x (Carrying Charge Rate) = <u>\$16.07 per 1.0 foot of</u> <u>Space</u>

#### **Direct Inputs:**

Space Occupied Number of Attaching Entities		1.0 Foot 3.04	Per PUCT Order in Docket #36633
Number of Attaching Lifeties		5.04	
Total Investment FYE 2021	A/C364 Poles, Towers, & Fixtures	\$ 629,121,631.99	See footnote 4
Total Investment FYE 2021	A/C 365 OH Conductors & Devices	\$ 398,598,204.41	See footnote 4
Total Investment FYE 2021	A/C369 Services	\$ 382,712,994.58	See footnote 4
Total Investment FYE 2021	Total Electric Plant In-Service (Gross)	\$ 11,695,672,323.23	See footnote 4
Total Investment FYE 2021	Total Gas Plant In-Service (Gross)	\$ 1,088,261,810.74	See footnote 4
Total Investment FYE 2021	Total Common Plant In-Service (Gross)	\$ 1,039,353,976.64	See footnote 4
Total Depreciation FYE 2021	A/C364 Poles, Towers, & Fixtures	\$ 232,031,311.81	See footnote 4
Total Depreciation FYE 2021	A/C 365 OH Conductors & Devices	\$ 159,806,137.34	See footnote 4
Total Depreciation FYE 2021	A/C369 Services	\$ 248,632,847.55	See footnote 4
Total Depreciation FYE 2021	Total Electric Plant In-Service (Accum)	\$ 5,408,173,680.05	See footnote 4
Total Depreciation FYE 2021	Total Gas Plant In-Service (Accum)	\$ 417,008,564.40	See footnote 4
Total Depreciation FYE 2021	Total Common Plant In-Service (Accum)	\$ 357,001,089.94	See footnote 4
Total Expense FYE 2021	A/C 408 Payroll & Other Taxes (Electric Only)	\$ 7,024,320.45	See footnote 5
Total Expense FYE 2021	A/C 593 Maintenance of OH Lines	\$ 40,171,152.65	See footnote 5
Total Expense FYE 2021	A/C 920-932 Total Admin & General (Electric Plant Only)	\$ 162,500,471.52	See footnote 5
Depreciation Rate		4.30%	CPS Energy Depreciation Study
Cost of Capital <sup>3</sup>	10.00% (1/1/2020 – 6/30/2020) 9.75% (7/1/2020 – 12/31/2020)		FCC Authorized Rate of Retum
Total Number of Poles (A/C 36		326,932	CPS Energy Capital Asset Records and Pole Inventory

<sup>1</sup> CPS Energy's FYE 2019 covers the period February 1, 2020 to January 31, 2021.

<sup>2</sup> Federal Communications Commission Order 15-151, effective March 4, 2016.

<sup>3</sup> Per FCC Order 16-33, dated 5/25/2016. In this Order, the FCC reduces the default authorized Rate of Return (ROR) by 25 basis points beginning on July 1, 2016 and each July 1, the reafter until the ROR is 9.75%. CPS Energy uses the FCC default ROR since state law does not prescribe a ROR for CPS Energy.

<sup>4</sup> Based on Capital Asset Classes by FERC report that tie to Audited Annual Financial Reports.

<sup>5</sup> Based on Operating and Maintenance by FERC report that tie to Audited Annual Financial Reports.



## Derived Inputs:

Average Height of Pole		43.91 Feet	Calculated from Pole Records
Unus able Space			
Defined as: 18.0' + (10%	of Average Pole Height) + 2.0'		Per PUCT Order in Docket #36633
Unusable Space = 18.0+	(0.1 x 43.91) + 2.0 = 24.39'		
Net Cost of a Bare Pole			
Total Investment FYE 2021 Total Depreciation FYE 2021	A/C 364 Poles, Towers, & Fixtures A/C 364 Poles, Towers, & Fixtures	\$ 629,121,631.99 (\$232,031,311.81)	
	Net Investment in Poles Less (15%) Less (FCC 17-154 Adjustment)	\$ 397,090,320.18 (\$59,563,548.03) (\$210,290.20)	Per FCC Instructions Per FCC Instructions
	Total Cost in Bare Poles:	\$ 337,316,481.95	-
	Total Number of CPS Energy Poles	326,932	
	Net Cost of a Bare Pole:	\$ 1,031.76	
Net Electric Plant In-Service			
Total Investment FYE 2021 Total Investment FYE 2021	Total Electric Plant In-Service (Gross) Total Gas Plant In-Service (Gross)	\$ 11,695,672,323.23 \$ 1,088,261,810.74 \$12,783,934,133.97	91.49% <u>8.51%</u> 100.0%
Total Investment FYE 2021	Total Common Plant In-Service (Gross) Electric Ratio	\$ 1,039,353,976.64 91.49%	
	Tota I Common Plant Allocated to El ectri c	\$ 950,876,577.68	
	Total Plant-In-Service Electric (Gross)	\$ 12,646,548,900.91	
Fotal Depreciation FYE 2021 Fotal Depreciation FYE 2021	Total Electric Plant In-Service (Accum) Total Gas Plant In-Service (Accum)	\$ 5,408,173,680.05 \$ 417,008,564.40 \$ 5,825,182,244.45	92.84% <u>7.16%</u> 100.0%
Total Depreciation FYE 2021	Total Common Plant In-Service (Accum) Electric Ratio	\$ 357,001,089.94 92.84%	
	Total Common Plant Allocated to Electric	\$ 331,444,376.73	
	Accumulated Depreciation of Total Plant In-Service (Electric)	\$ 5,739,618,056.78	
	Total Plant-In-Service Electric (Gross)	\$ 12,646,548,900.91	
	Accumulated Depreciation of Total Plant In-Service (Electric)	(\$5,739,618,056.78)	
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Net Electric Plant In-Service: \$ 6,906,930,844.13



## Derived Inputs (Continued):

Carrying Charge Rate Defined as:	Administration Expense + Maintenance Expense + Depreciation Expense + Taxes + Cost of Capital Per PUCT Order in Docket #36633
Administration Expense =	<u>A/C 920-932 Total Admin &amp; General (Electric Plant Only)</u> Net Electric Plant In-Service
=	<u>\$ 162,500,471.52</u> = <u>2.3527%</u> \$ 6,906,930,844.13
Maintenance Expense =	A/C 593 Maintenance of OH Lines + FCC 17-154 (Total Investment in A/C 364, 365, 369) – (Total Accum Depr A/C 364, 365, 369)
=	$\frac{\$ 40,171,152.65 + (-993,556.35)}{(\$1,410,432,830.98 - \$ 640,470,296.70)} = \frac{5.0882\%}{100}$
Depreciation Expense =	Depreciation Ratex [(Total Investment A/C 364) / (Net Investment in Poles)]
=	0.0430x (\$ 629,121,631.99/ (\$ 629,121,631.99 - \$232,031,311.81) = 6.8126%
Taxes =	<u>A/C 408 Payroll &amp; Other Taxes (Electric Only)</u> Net Electric Plant In-Service
=	$\frac{\$7,024,320.45}{(\$12,646,548,900.91-\$5,739,618,056.78)} = 0.1017\%$
Cost of Capital =	9.874% (Blended RateSee Footnote 3)
Carrying Charge Rate =	Administration Expense + Maintenance Expense + Depreciation Expense + Taxes + Cost of Capital
=	2.3527% + 5.0882% + 6.8126% + 0.1017% + 9.874%
=	<u>24.2292%</u>



### **Rate Calculation:**

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Attachment Rate = (Space Factor) × (Cost)
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Space Factor = (Space Occupied) + ((2/3)(Unusable Space))/(Number of Attaching Entities) (Average Pole Height)

and,

Cost = (0.4448) x (Net Cost of a Bare Pole) x (Carrying Charge Rate)

Therefore, using both the direct and derived inputs from above:

Space Factor= (1.0) + ((2/3)(24.39))/(3.04) = 0.14458(43.91)

and,

**Cost** = (0.4448) x (\$1,031.76) x (24.2292%) = \$111.19

Resulting in:

Attachment Rate = (0.14458) x (\$111.19) = \$16.07 per 1.0 foot of Attachment Space