

# **CPS Energy**

# Annual Pole Attachment Rate and Attachment Connection Fee \_ Revised (Effective on January 1, 2022)

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) 2022<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) + [( $\frac{2}{3}$  x Unusable Space) ÷ (Number of Attaching Entities)] (Average Pole Height)

 $Cost = (0.4448) \times (Net Cost of a Bare Pole) \times (Carrying Charge Rate)$ 

#### Totaling \$16.44 per 1.0 Foot of Attachment Space

#### Direct Inputs:

Space Occupied Number of Attaching Entities		1.0 Foot 3.04	Per PI	ICT Order in Docket #36633
Trumber of Attaching Entities		3.04	16/10	CI Order in Bocket #30033
Total Investment FYE 2022	A/C 364 Poles, Towers, & Fixtures	\$670,305,02	24.40	See endnote <sup>i</sup>
Total Investment FYE 2022	A/C 365 OH Conductors & Devices	\$421,326,282.39		See endnote <sup>i</sup>
Total Investment FYE 2022	A/C 369 Services	\$404,321,600.60		See endnote <sup>i</sup>
Total Investment FYE 2022	Total Electric Plant In-Service (Gross)	\$12,137,273,703.74		See endnote <sup>i</sup>
Total Investment FYE 2022	Total Gas Plant In-Service (Gross)	\$1,144,085,654.51		See endnote <sup>i</sup>
Total Investment FYE 2022	Total Common Plant In-Service (Gross)	\$1,206,379.621.03		See endnote <sup>i</sup>
Total Depreciation FYE 2022	A/C 364 Poles, Towers, & Fixtures	(\$251,737,957.49)		See endnote <sup>i</sup>
Total Depreciation FYE 2022	A/C 365 OH Conductors & Devices	(\$172,275,639.71)		See endnote <sup>i</sup>
Total Depreciation FYE 2022	A/C 369 Services	(\$268,523,001.33)		See endnote <sup>i</sup>
Total Depreciation FYE 2022	Total Electric Plant In-Service (Gross)	(\$5,638,282,067.60)		See endnote <sup>i</sup>
Total Depreciation FYE 2022	Total Gas Plant In-Service (Gross)	(\$440,922,761.85)		See endnote <sup>i</sup>
Total Depreciation FYE 2022	Total Common Plant In-Service (Gross)			See endnote <sup>i</sup>
Total Expense FYE 2022	A/C 408 Payroll & Other Taxes (Electric Only)	\$7,164,970.33		See endnote <sup>ii</sup>
Total Expense FYE 2022	A/C 593 Maintenance of OH Lines	\$40,263,023.28		See endnote <sup>ii</sup>
Total Expense FYE 2022	A/C 920-932 Total Admin & General			See endnote <sup>ii</sup>
Depreciation Rate		4.30%		CPS Energy Depreciation
Cost of Capital <sup>3</sup>		9.75% FCC Authorized Rate of Return		
Total Number of Poles (A/C 364)		329,608		Capital Asset Records and Pole Inventory

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on Capital Asset Classes by FERC report that tie to Audited Annual Financial Report.

ii Based on Operating and Maintenance by FERC report that tie to Audited Annual Financial Reports.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CPS Energy's FYE 2022 covers the period February 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;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, thereafter until the ROR is 9.75%. CPS Energy uses the FCC default ROR since state law does not prescribe a ROR for CPS Energy.

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Average Height of Pole

# **Derived Inputs:**

Unusable Space Per PUCT Order in Docket #36633 Defined as: 18.0' + (10% of Average Pole Height) + 2.0' Unusable Space = 18.0' + [(10%)(44.0')] + 2.0 = 24.4'Net Cost of a Bare Pole Total Investment FYE 2022 A/C 364 Poles, Towers, & Fixtures \$670,305,024.40 Total Depreciation FYE 2022 A/C 364 Poles, Towers, & Fixtures (\$251,737,957.49) Net Investment in Poles \$418,567,066.91 Less 15% (\$62,785,060.04) Per FCC Instructions Less FCC 17-154 Adjustment (\$354,344.17) Per FCC Instructions Total Cost in Bare Poles \$355,427,662.70 Total # of CPS Energy Poles 329,608 Net Cost of a Bare Pole \$1,078.33 Net Electric Plant In-Service Total Investment FYE 2022 Total Electric Plant In-Service (Gross) \$12,137,273,703.74 91.39% Total Investment FYE 2022 Total Gas Plant In-Service (Gross) \$1,144,085,654.51 8.61% Total Electric and Gas Plant In-Service \$13,281,359,358.25 100.0% Total Investment FYE 2022 Total Common Plant In-Service (Gross) \$1,206,379,621.03 Electric Ratio 91.39% Total Common Plant Allocated to \$1,102,510,335.66 Electric **Total Electric Plant In-Service** \$13,239,733,117.43 (Gross) Total Depreciation FYE 2022 Total Electric Plant In-Service (Gross) (\$5,638,282,067.60) 92.75 % Total Depreciation FYE 2022 (\$440,922,761.85) 7.25% Total Gas Plant In-Service (Gross) **Total Accumulated Depreciation** (\$6,079,204,829.45) 100.0% Total Depreciation FYE 2022 Total Common Plant In-Service (Gross) (\$363,535,683.93) Electric Ratio 92.75% Total Common Plant Allocated to (\$337,168,558.25) Electric Total Electric Plant In-Service (Gross) \$13,239,733,117,43 Total Accumulated Depreciation of (\$5,975,450,625.85) Plant In-Service (Electric) **Net Electric Plant In-Service** \$7,264,282,491.58

44.0 Feet

Calculated from Pole Records

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### **Derived Inputs (Continued):**

Carrying Charge Rate

Defined as: Per PUCT Order in Docket #36633

Administration Expense + Maintenance Expense + Depreciation Expense + Taxes + Cost of Capital

Administration Expense = A/C 920-932 Total Admin & General (Electric Plant Only)

Net Electric Plant In-Service

= \$\frac{\$155,131,745.40}{\$7,264,282,491.58}

= 2.1355%

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)

 $= \frac{\$40,263,023.28 - \$354,344.17}{(\$1,495,952,907.39 - \$692,536,598.53)}$ 

= 4.8748%

Depreciation Expense = Depreciation Rate x [(Total Investment A/C 364) ÷ (Net Investment in Poles)]

 $= 0.0430 \text{ x } [(\$ 670,305,024.40) \div (\$ 670,305,024.40 - \$251,737,857.49)$ 

= 6.8861%

Taxes = A/C 408 Payroll & Other Taxes (Electric Only)

Net Electric Plant In-Service

= \$7,164,970.33 \$13,239,733,117.43 - \$5,975,450,625.85

= 0.0986%

Cost of Capital = 9.7500% (From Direct Inputs)

Therefore, using the derived inputs from above:

Carrying Charge Rate = Administration Expense + Maintenance Expense + Depreciation Expense +

Taxes + Cost of Capital

= 2.1355% + 4.8748% + 6.8861% + 0.0986% + 9.7500%

= 23.7450%



## Rate Calculation:

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

Space Factor = (Space Occupied) + 
$$[(\frac{2}{3} \times \text{Unusable Space}) \div (\text{Number of Attaching Entities})]$$
  
(Average Pole Height)

and

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

Space Factor = 
$$\underline{(1) + [(\frac{2}{3} \times 24.4) \div (3.04)]} = 14.43\%$$
(44.0)

and

$$Cost = (0.4448) \times (\$1,078.33) \times (23.7450\%) = \$113.89$$

Resulting in:

**Attachment Rate** = (14.43%) x (\$113.89) = **\$16.44 per 1.0 foot of Attachment Space**