

Finance Standard 3: Customer Generation Rates

I. Purpose

This Customer Generation Rates Standard outlines the requirements for rate setting.

II. Standard

- A. Customer Generation Rates will be set per the Board approved budget for the corresponding fiscal year or as designated by the Board after establishing the budget
- B. All electric rates shall be designed to generate sufficient revenue, after consideration of all expenses, miscellaneous revenue and use of reserves as directed by the Board, to support:
 - The full cost of operations
 - Debt service
 - Equity funding of capital investments
 - Funding of reserve accounts
 - Any other current obligations
- C. In addition to these requirements, electric rates shall be designed to generate sufficient revenue, after consideration of interest income and miscellaneous revenue, to ensure a two-times (2.0x) minimum debt service coverage ratio.
- D. A rate adequacy review shall be completed every five years at a minimum, through performing a cost of service study.