

TRINITY VALLEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON PURPA STANDARDS

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 (IIJA 2021) established new Federal standards under Section 111(d) of the Public Utilities Regulatory Policy Act of 1978 (PURPA). These standards require non-regulated cooperatives, like Trinity Valley Electric Cooperative (TVEC), to consider adopting two new standards under Section 111(d) of PURPA.

In conjunction with its first rate proceeding since enactment of the IIJA 2021, TVEC will determine whether to implement the new standards based on evidence collected from the public after notice and hearing. Accordingly, TVEC will engage in a public comment process to receive written feedback from its members regarding the new standards until January 30, 2025.

Standards Under Consideration

The new standards under consideration, found at 16 U.S.C. § 2621(d), are described below.

1. Standard 20: Demand Response Practices
 - a. An electric utility shall promote the use of demand-response and demand flexibility practices by commercial, residential, and industrial customers to reduce electricity consumption during periods of unusually high demand.
 - b. Nonregulated electric utilities may establish rate mechanisms for the timely recovery of the costs of promoting demand-response and demand flexibility practices in accordance with subparagraph (a).
2. Standard 21: Electric Vehicle Charging Programs

Each state shall consider measures to promote greater electrification of the transportation sector, including the establishment of rates that:

- a. Promote affordable and equitable electric vehicle charging stations for residential, commercial, and public electric vehicle charging infrastructure;
- b. Improve the customer experience associated with electric vehicle charging, including by reducing charging times for light, medium, and heavy-duty vehicles;
- c. Accelerate third-party investment in electric vehicle charging for light, medium, and heavy-duty vehicles; and
- d. Appropriately recover the marginal costs of delivering electricity to electric vehicles and electric vehicle charging infrastructure.

Public Hearing Process

TVEC wants to hear from you regarding these standards. TVEC's Board is authorized to make the final determination on the suitability of these standards for implementation for the membership. After considering comments received by the January 30, 2025 deadline, and TVEC's existing programs and rates, the Board will make a final determination whether to

implement any aspects of the standards. The determination will be in the form of a written resolution that will be posted on TVEC's website.

If you would like to provide comments on the standards you may do so in writing by sending them to the following address:

PURPA Hearing Coordinator
Trinity Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.
P.O. Box 888
Kaufman, Texas 75142
Email: purpa@tvec.coop

You may also attend and provide written comments at the following public meeting:

Tuesday, January 21, 2025
6:00 p.m.
TVEC Headquarters
1800 E. Highway 243
Kaufman, Texas 75142

TVEC will accept written comments from the public until January 30, 2025. The Board will make a final determination regarding each standard by February 28, 2025.