

Trinity Public Utilities District

Policy of the Board of Directors

**Energy Net  
(Low-Income Household Assistance)**

**General Policy Statement:**

The District intends for the Energy Net program to provide assistance to qualified low-income households it serves. Customers eligible for Energy Net will be provided a discount on their electric bills, in an amount equal to the Residential System Access Charge on January 1st of each year for one (1) meter.

**Funding:**

Funding for Energy Net shall equal a minimum of 10% of all revenue collected by the Public Benefit Charge for the 12 month period from December 1 – November 30 each year. These funds shall be used to provide the assistance and pay for the cost of administration. Best efforts shall be made to distribute all funds collected during the previous year throughout the current calendar year. Any shortage or excess in these funds shall be included as an adjustment to the funding level for the following calendar year.

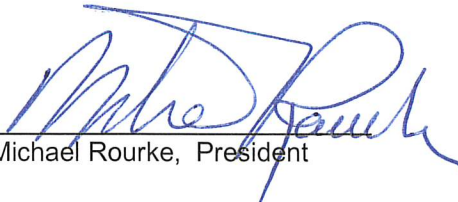
**Administration:**

Eligibility – A contractor will be retained to process applicants for the purpose of determining eligibility based on household income and to rank applicants by income. No more than fifteen percent (15%) of the annual funding will be paid to the contractor for this service.

Discount - District personnel will determine the number of customers that can likely be provided the discount based on the available funding. Adjustments to this number will be periodically made to ensure that all available funds are expended. Four percent (4%) of the annual funding shall be considered to be the District's administrative costs.

**Assistance:**

Assistance to eligible customers will be limited to a period of six months. Continued assistance after six months will depend on whether the customer reapplies and requalifies, and the amount of funding available.

  
Michael Rourke, President