Twin Valleys Public Power District Budget Billing Plan

Rural and village residential consumers that have a good meter reading (<u>if applicable</u>) and payment record may elect to pay for electric energy used on a "Budget Billing Plan" when the following conditions have been met.

Requirements -

- 1. Must have paid their account as billed prior to the first of the following month for the twelve months immediately preceding application for the budget plan.
- 2. Must have received service at the current residence for a period of at least twelve months.
- 3. Must not have given the district an insufficient funds check in the twelve months immediately preceding application for the budget plan.
- 4. Must sign an Authorization for Budget Billing allowing Twin Valleys to bill for the predetermined amount each month.
- 5. <u>If applicable, must have reported accurate meter readings each month in the twelve months immediately preceding application for the Budget Billing Plan and must continue to provide accurate meter readings.</u>

<u>Budget Year</u> - The first budget billing payment must be made in April. The budget payment amount will be re-computed at the end of each twelve month period.

<u>Payment Amount</u> - The amount to be paid each month will be determined by computing the bills from March of the prior year through February of the current year at the current rate, dividing that total dollar amount by twelve, multiplying by 1.20, and rounding to the nearest five dollars.

<u>Year-End Adjustment</u> - If there is a balance due on the account in March, the consumer will be required to clear the account. The bill received in April will reflect the first budget payment of the new budget year. Should there be a credit balance on the account when reconciled in March, the credit will be used to reduce the next budget payment; or, if the consumer requests, refunded by check.

<u>Late Start</u> - Should a consumer elect to change to the budget plan after the last day of March, then his total payments to the time the change is made must equal the amount which would have been paid had the plan been started in April.

Increased Payments - The district may require an increase in the budget payment amount if the consumer's electrical use increases substantially. In such cases, the budget payment amount will be re-calculated based on the new information and the consumer will be notified of the new amount.

<u>Discontinue Plan</u> - The consumer may discontinue the Budget Billing Plan before the twelve months expire. When budget billing is discontinued before the twelfth month, any balance due on the account becomes payable immediately. If the account shows a credit balance, that balance may be applied toward future bills; or, if requested by the consumer, refunded by check.

Non-Payment - Normal collection procedures will be applicable if a consumer fails to remit the budget payment in the month when due. In such cases, following due notice by the district, the consumer will be disconnected and/or removed from the Budget Billing Plan.

<u>Reinstatement</u> – Consumers removed from the plan for any reason must fill the five (5) requirements listed above before being re-instated in the Budget Billing Plan.