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Subject: Conservation, Load Management, and Renewable Resource Policy			Policy No.: 142
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PURPOSE

To describe Jemez Mountains Electric Cooperative, Inc. (JMEC) policy on conservation and renewable energy and the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) policy on load management and energy conservation.

ACCOUNTABILITY

The General Manager is accountable for the implementation of and adherence to this policy.

SCOPE

This policy pertains to the application of load management, energy conservation, and conservation of non-renewable and renewable resources. For the purpose of this policy, renewable resources are defined as conventional hydroelectric, small-scale hydroelectric, solar, wind, geothermal, wood, recycled energy, and biomass resources.

POLICY

JMEC will develop and administer a Conservation and Renewable Energy Program, including a system-wide program of load management and efficient use of energy. Key actions may include the following:

1. Constantly examine its own use of energy and determine ways and implement means of making more efficient use of all forms of energy in JMEC facilities. This includes, but is not limited to, plant engineering design and construction, lighting and climate control, and the use of vehicles.
2. Participation in renewable resource studies involving alternative electric generation technologies.
3. Keeping informed on development in alternate energy, coal, and synthetic fuel sources so that the knowledge of appropriate technology may be used to facilitate the planning effort.
4. Identifying and investigating state-of-the-art technology and on-going research and development pertaining to load management, energy conservation, and resource technology. Establish and/or participate in pilot or experimental programs and maintain information on the same.
5. Monitoring studies where appropriate and encourages Members to furnish additional information and data in seeking out potential projects.
6. Performing preliminary assessment of candidate studies to determine whether the project has potential benefits to JMEC. Studies demonstrating potential benefits may be funded through specific authorization by the General Manager or the Board of Trustees.
7. Engaging in joint planning efforts with other utilities/cooperatives as appropriate, to coordinate and facilitate energy resource conservation.
8. Exchanging valuable information about energy conservation, load management, and renewable resources with other organizations.
9. Sponsoring workshops to inform Members regarding the prudent use of electrical energy.
10. Developing and delivering training for JMEC employees as appropriate for all employees.

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