

# Steuben Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.

## Bath Office

9 Wilson Avenue, Bath, New York 14810

## Cherry Creek Office

5966 South Road, Cherry Creek, New York 14723

## APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL MEMBERSHIP AND ELECTRIC SERVICE

The undersigned (hereinafter called the "Applicant") hereby applies for membership in and agrees to purchase electric service from the Steuben Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc., (hereinafter called the "Cooperative"), upon the following terms and conditions:

1. Pursuant to Article I of the Cooperative's Bylaws, the Applicant will pay a \$25.00 non-refundable membership fee.
2. In accordance with 21 CRR-NY 451.2, all seasonal and short-term Applicants shall be required to deposit a sum of money, not to exceed twice the average monthly bill for a calendar year. Such deposit, including any accrued interest, shall be refunded to the Applicant's account if the Applicant is not delinquent in the payment of bills during a one year period following the payment of the deposit. Interest on Applicant deposits shall accrue at 1.5% APR. No Applicant that is 62 years of age or older shall be required to pay such a deposit. No Applicant that is a known recipient of public assistance, supplemental security income benefits or additional state payments shall be required to pay such a deposit.
3. Each member shall purchase, from the Cooperative, all electric energy used on the premises specified within this application for membership. Rates for furnishing electric energy shall be set by the Cooperative's Board of Directors, subject to the requirements set forth in the Cooperative's Bylaws. It is expressly understood that amounts paid for electric energy in excess of costs of service are furnished by members as capital, and each member shall be credited with capital so furnished as provided in the Bylaws of the Cooperative.
4. The Applicant will comply with and be bound by the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation, the Articles of Conversion, Bylaws of the Cooperative and any Rules and Regulations as adopted by the Board of Directors of the Cooperative.
5. The Applicant, by paying a membership fee and becoming a member, assumes no liability or responsibility for any debts or liabilities of the Cooperative. Under the law, a member's private property is exempt from execution for any such debts or liabilities.
6. Each member shall grant to the Cooperative an easement of right-of-way across the member's property, in a location to be agreed upon in advance between the member and the Cooperative, for the purposes of erection, maintenance and replacement of electric transmission and distribution lines .
7. Prior to the acceptance of this application, the Applicant expressly agrees that if the Cooperative is unable to furnish electric service to the Applicant, the membership fee will be returned to the Applicant. If the Applicant wished to withdraw this Application, the membership fee is nonrefundable.

Racial Ethnic Group **voluntary information** requested by the Rural Utilities Service for review of Cooperative activities regarding Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975.

White    Black or African American    Hispanic or Latino    American Indian or Alaskan Native    Asian

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Organization or Business Name	Date		
Service/Physical Address	City	State	Zip Code
Mailing Address (if different from service address)	City	State	Zip Code
Type of Facility/Business	Business EIN #		
Organization or Business Phone Number	Organization or Business Email Address		
Contact Person # 1 (Print First and Last Name)	Contact Person # 2 (Print First and Last Name)		
Contact Signature	Contact Signature		
Contact Title	Contact Title		
Contact Phone Number	Contact Phone Number		
Contact Email Address	Contact Email Address		

**NEW YORK SALES TAX STATUS DECLARATION:**

Under the NYS Tax Law, energy used for nonresidential purposes is generally subject to sales tax. Farming activity may qualify for a tax exemption if a member provides an ST-125. Other commercial businesses may qualify for an exemption if the member provides a ST-121, ST-119.1 or valid proof of tax exemption.

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Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ Capital Credit No. \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_

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