

GENERAL SUBSCRIBER SERVICES TARIFF

Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc.

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X. POLE RETIREMENT AND REMOVAL

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The company is actively removing its poles in favor of alternative non-arial facility deployment and all poles have been retired from its inventory. In circumstances discussed below, the company may either transfer ownership of pole(s) to an existing utility attacher or either transfer ownership or cede control of a pole to an end user who seeks to use the pole for his/her own purpose(s).

Priority of the transfer of ownership or relinquishment of control will be determined as follows:

1. Utility Attacher. Any utility attacher that remains on company poles will be given ownership of the pole under its contract with the company.
2. Existing End User Attacher. If the company determines that a pole intended for removal is carrying services for a private end user (such as a security light or other non-authorized service) the company shall contact the end user and provide the end user the following options:
  - a. Remove the attached service by an agreed upon date so that the company can remove the pole; or
  - b. Accept ownership of the pole and execute a transfer document for the change of ownership; or
  - c. Agree to maintain control of the pole for an indefinite period. Subsequent removal of the pole will be at the company’s discretion provided the pole does not pose a threat to safety.

Unless the pole poses a threat to safety, the company shall not remove end user attachments. Such end users who do not select (a) or (b) above, will be treated as complying with (c).

3. End User Request. If an end user requests that a pole remain in place for his/her use and no attachment exists on the pole, the company shall offer the end user the following options:
  - a. Accept ownership of the pole and execute a transfer document for the change of ownership; or
  - b. Agree to maintain control of the pole for an indefinite period. Subsequent removal of the pole will be at the company’s discretion provided the pole does not pose a threat to safety.

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