

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT **LARGE LOAD** ENERGY CUSTOMERS

Here are a few key points to keep in mind.

We know many members of Inland Power have questions regarding significant energy users, particularly data centers.

OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU.

OUR CURRENT MEMBERS ARE OUR TOP PRIORITY.

Our primary focus is to support the homes and businesses that depend on us now.

CURRENT MEMBERS WILL NOT FUND NEW GROWTH.

Large energy consumers, such as data centers, cover all expenses associated with their services. This encompasses energy supply, transmission fees, system upgrades, studies, and planning. These costs are not transferred to you.

RELIABILITY COMES FIRST.

We will only accept new large energy customers or data centers if we can ensure that our existing members receive safe and reliable service first. We do not divert power from homes or businesses in order to accommodate new customers.

NOTHING MOVES FORWARD WITHOUT JOINT APPROVAL.

Inland Power is an energy provider. We're just one part of the review and approval process. Our focus is solely on assessing whether we can deliver energy safely and reliably. However, any significant energy or data center project requires a thorough review and must meet the approval criteria set by multiple agencies.

These include:

- Land use and permitting
- Water and environmental agency review
- Local and state governments
- State utility commissions



WHAT ABOUT RATES?

Large energy customers and data centers are not driving current rate increases. Rate changes are driven by:

- Rising energy supply costs across our industry
- Regularly maintaining and upgrading our system
- Keeping service safe and reliable

WHY CONSIDER LARGE ENERGY CUSTOMERS?

When executed properly, and with a focus on safeguarding current members, these projects can:

- Distribute system costs more effectively across increased energy usage
- Foster local employment and stimulate economic development
- Optimize the use of existing infrastructure

WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW?

Working with large customers isn't a new concept for us or others in our industry.

As a utility, we must assess any requests from customers wishing to connect to our system. We frequently receive these inquiries and have a thorough review process established. However, not all projects proceed.

What's different now is the sheer scale of the data center requests and the heightened public interest. These extraordinary projects necessitate fresh considerations for planning and coordination among all parties involved. Inland Power is committed to actively participating in these efforts.



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