

**I. Purpose**

Subject to eligibility requirements, certain City of Brady Electric Utilities (CoBU) customers (“Customer(s)”) May “opt out” of the installation of an electric advanced meter under this Advanced Meter Opt-Out Program.

**II. Participation in the Program**

By opting out of the electric advanced meter, the customer is requesting that CoBU either (a) not install an advanced meter at the customer’s residence or (b) remove an advanced meter that is already installed. As a result, the customer is requesting that a meter requiring a monthly in-person reading by CoBU or its contractors be installed. By electing to have a meter that requires a field visit, the customer must pay applicable meter installation(s) costs at time of application and a monthly meter read fee to be billed each month. (see Exhibit A).

**III. Eligibility**

- A. Only single-family residential electric customers may opt out. Multi-family residential and commercial customers are not eligible.
- B. To qualify, customer accounts may not have had any disconnection for non-payment in a consecutive twelve (12)-month period. In order to maintain eligibility, a customer’s account may not have had any disconnection for non-payment in a twelve (12) month period;
- C. Customers with Distributed Energy Resources (DER) such as solar are not eligible;
- D. If CoBU must return to the residence more than two (2) times to read a meter because the customer has refused to provide access, or makes access unsafe or impractical, eligibility is automatically revoked;
- E. Customers who have altered the Opt-Out Form other than by completing the customer Information are not eligible; and
- F. Customers who have tampered with CoBU meter(s) and/or meter equipment, resulting in irregular connections, diversion of service, or any other unauthorized changes to service, are not eligible.

**IV. Enrollment**

A Customer must submit an unaltered, completed and signed Advanced Meter Opt-Out Program Form to CoBU for processing along with a \$50 meter exchange fee. (see Exhibit A) If at any time, the customer desires to have an advanced meter placed at his/her residence, the customer must submit a completed and signed Advanced Meter Acceptance Form.

**V. Fees**

The Program Fees include all costs associated with the removal and replacement of the advanced meter(s) with a meter(s) that requires an in-person visit (see Exhibit A). The meter read fee will be billed to the customer, with the subsequent billing statement.

**VI. Access**

In order to provide utility service, including maintenance, each customer agrees to provide access to his/her property and CoBU’s meter(s).

NOTE: City of Brady Utilities may, at any time and in its sole discretion, choose to re-evaluate and modify these Program Terms and Conditions and associated fees without prior notice to the customer.



# ADVANCED METER OPT- OUT FORM

A residential customer may request to opt out of City of Brady Utilities (CoBU) Electric Advanced Meter program, as defined as the disconnection, removal, or powering off of relevant radio frequency signal within or connected to an (CoBU) electric meter at their point of service. Only the Customer of Record may request an Advanced Meter removal for the respective meter(s). There is a one-time fee to switch meter(s) to a non-Advanced/digital Meter of \$50. A customer desiring to switch back to Advanced Meter services would incur no fee to reset or re-install fully automated device(s).

Please complete the form below and return to: CoBU, 201 E. Main Brady, TX 76825 M-F 8:30 am – 5:00 pm.

Name: (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Account #: \_\_\_\_\_

Service Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any meter access issues we should be aware of? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **I want to exchange my electric Advanced Meter for a meter that requires a field visit on a monthly basis.**

By checking this box, I certify that I am the authorized Customer of Record and acknowledge that a meter that requires a field visit will be installed at this location. I am aware of and agree to the one-time \$50 fee, due with this application, to switch the meter(s) and the monthly \$15 meter read fee which will be added to my next billing statements.

I understand that by opting out, I will not receive the benefits of an advanced meter, including:

- Automated meter reading that does not require a representative to visit my house.
- Access to detailed information on my home's electric use can help me manage costs.

I understand that if I move out of my current residence and into a new residence, that has an advanced meter, I must complete and submit a new opt-out application with payment of the one-time \$50 exchange fee.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Customer Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

For more information about advanced meters and CoBU, please visit [bradytx.us](http://bradytx.us).

If you have questions or prefer to speak to one of our customer service representatives, please call 325.597.2152.

**EXHIBIT A – ADVANCED METER OPT-OUT PROGRAM FEES**

<b>ADVANCED METER</b>	<b>FEES</b>
One-time fee to exchange an Advanced Meter for a digital meter requiring a field visit.	\$50.00 – Due with Application

Monthly Meter Reading Fee	\$15.00 – Billed Monthly



## UTILITIES

### ADVANCED METER ACCEPTANCE FORM

This form only applies to customers currently enrolled in the Advanced Meter Opt-Out Program and are requesting the installation of City of Brady Utilities' Advanced Electric Meter.

There is no fee to reset or re-install a fully automated meter(s).

**Please complete the form below and return to: 201 E. Main M-F 8:30am – 5:00pm.  
You may also fax it to Customer Service at 325-597-2068.**

Name: (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Account #: \_\_\_\_\_

Service Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **I am requesting and accepting the installation of an Advanced Meter.**

By checking this box, I certify that I am the authorized Customer of Record and acknowledge that the meter will no longer require a field visit and the Advanced Meter will be reinstalled.

If you have questions or prefer to speak to one of our customer service representatives, please call 325.597.2152.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Customer Signature

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Date