

NOTICE OF PURPA PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by Central Alabama Electric Cooperative (“Cooperative”) that a public hearing for the submission of written and oral comments will be held beginning at 2:00 p.m. on August 3, 2023, at the offices of Cooperative located at 103 Jesse Samuel Hunt Boulevard, Prattville, Alabama. The purpose of the public hearing is to allow the submission of written and oral comments on two PURPA Standards (as defined below) under the 2021 Act (as defined below), for consideration by the Board of Trustees of the Cooperative in making its determination as to whether or not it is appropriate for the Cooperative to implement the two PURPA Standards.

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 (“2021 Act”) amended The Public Utilities Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, as previously amended, to propose two new standards that states and certain non-regulated electric utilities (such as the Cooperative) are required to consider and to determine whether or not it is appropriate for that entity to implement such proposed standards. Specifically, as it relates to the Cooperative, the two proposed new PURPA standards (herein referred to as the “PURPA Standards”) to be considered are summarized as follows:

(1) Promoting the use of demand-response and demand flexibility practices by its commercial, residential and industrial members to reduce electricity consumption during periods of unusually high demand, including establishing rate mechanisms for the timely recovery of the costs of promoting such demand-response and demand flexibility practices; and

(2) Consideration of measures to promote greater electrification of the transportation sector, including the establishment of rates that (a) promote affordable and equitable electric vehicle charging options for residential, commercial and public electric vehicle infrastructure; (b) improving the customer experience associated with electric vehicle charging, including by reducing charging times for light-, medium- and heavy-duty vehicles; (c) accelerate third-party investment in electric vehicle charging for light-, medium- and heavy-duty vehicles; and (d)

appropriately recover the marginal cost of delivering electricity to electric vehicles and electric vehicle charging infrastructure.

In no event is the Cooperative obligated to adopt and implement the PURPA Standards, merely to consider each of the PURPA Standards after public notice and hearing and make a determination as to whether or not it is appropriate for the Cooperative to implement the proposed PURPA Standards. It must be noted that the Cooperative is a member-owned cooperative established to serve its members' electric distribution needs within its designated service territory and is required to review the PURPA Standards subject to those legal relationships.

Copies of the statutory provisions containing these new standards may be obtained from the Cooperative at its website located at www.caec.coop/Purpa. The hearing will be presided over by legal counsel of the Cooperative, as the presiding officer, and a written transcript will be produced. The procedure to be followed at the hearing will be available from the presiding officer in advance of the hearing date, which will be posted with and available from the Cooperative, with a goal of providing an opportunity for those attending to present their comments for the record in an orderly and timely fashion. A person need not participate in the hearing for his, her or its written comments to be considered.

If written comments are to be provided, such comments should be typed (double-spaced and paginated), with appropriate headings so that the reader will know with specificity which of the two standards is being addressed. The written comments should identify the name of the person submitting the comments, along with the address, telephone number and (if available) the email address of the submitter. Written comments may be submitted to the Cooperative by U.S. Mail to its office at 103 Jesse Samuel Hunt Boulevard, Prattville, Alabama 36066, or by email to custserv@coop.caec.com. Such written comments may also be submitted on the day of the hearing.

The Board of Trustees of the Cooperative shall make its determination prior to November 15, 2023.

Submitted on this 28th day of June, 2023.