

Service District for Lighting Number 1 Budget Committee FY 2023-24 Questions and Answers

Number	Topic	Question	Answer
1	General	Are other jurisdictions charged by street lighting providers at the same rate for street lighting as Washington County?	We do not believe there is a difference in electric service or facility costs for our unincorporated areas compared to cities. Streetlighting electric service and equipment costs are set by tariff subject to a price setting process with the Oregon Public Utility Commission. (Tariff = Rate Plan) These rates are applied across all jurisdictions served by PGE. There are also various streetlight ownership and maintenance options that PGE and each jurisdiction may agree to, but the associated costs for each option are also applied consistently across the jurisdictions.
2		Does the Service District for Lighting buy equipment in bulk or individually?	The Service District for Lighting reimburses Portland General Electric (PGE) for services provided, including any equipment they install on behalf of the SDL. PGE's rates and tariffs are set by the Oregon Public Utility Commission, so are consistent across jurisdictions.