



The following question has been posed by Commissioners prior to the scheduled Board Meeting on October 1, 2024. Staff responses are included below and are sorted by Agenda topic.

CORRESPONDENCE

Customer Policies Re: Additional Electric Shared Transformer Load - (LAWSON)

If I understand correctly, if someone is one of the first people to upgrade to a 200A breaker, then they would not need to pay any additional fees to increase capacity. It is only when capacity is nearly reached that customers will be assessed the fee. I understand the proposed changes to make costs fairer, but it seems like the people who put in bigger breakers early on aren't paying their fair share.

RESPONSE: Any customer, whether the first, middle, or last, that adds or increases the size of a main breaker (panel upgrade) will pay a fee based on the average levelized cost of shared transformation. EWEB will determine the average cost by analyzing our most-common transformer costs each year. The advantage of this approach is that each customer only pays for their share of additional transformation costs, and no single customer becomes responsible for the entire cost of the shared infrastructure (transformer cost). It should be noted that many customers can add load without a main breaker/panel upgrade.