



Policy Type:	Member Policy
Policy No:	307
Title:	Energy Conservation
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**SUBJECT: ENERGY CONSERVATION**

I. OBJECTIVE: To establish policy concerning the use of energy by SMPA and its members and consumers, particularly in regard to effectiveness, efficiency, and conservation of energy. This objective is consistent with the utility responsibilities of a full-service utility and its prime concern for the needs of its members and consumers.

II. POLICY:

It shall be the policy of SMPA to:

- A. Constantly examine its own use of energy. This includes, but is not limited to, plant engineering design and construction, lighting and climate control, and the purchase and use of vehicles.
- B. Develop and carry out a system-wide program of energy management, including energy conservation, adequate home insulation, weatherization, farm uses, business uses, mining and mills, and effective and efficient use of energy in the home. Alternate energy sources will be appropriately considered.
- C. Develop and carry out an information program so that the need for energy management is understood along with an understanding of what each consumer can do to meet energy needs most effectively.
- D. Develop and carry out an information and education program with major groups involved in housing, including the building industry and local government organizations, to assure understanding and coordination in methods of energy management.
- E. Develop training appropriate for all employees.

I. III. RESPONSIBILITY: It shall be the responsibility of the General Manager/CEO to develop work plans and budget recommendations to carry out this policy and to develop appropriate control reports to access results.