



# OPT-OUT AMI

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In order to modernize billing and services available to customers, the utility is installing Advance Metering Infrastructure (AMI) using Radio Frequency (RF) transmitters. In the case of water meters, a small grey box called an Electronic Read Transmitter (ERT), is connected to the water meter by a wire and transmits meter readings wirelessly to the electric meter. The electric meter then transmits the information wirelessly to collectors installed in various areas of the village.

**Examples of benefits of the new metering system, there are more:**

- Allows us to spot costly residential water leaks and alert customers.
- Allows us to spot issues early, such as power outages.
- Eliminates the need for a meter reader to visit your premises.
- Provides an energy efficient, accurate, and cost effective way for reading meters.
- Helps the utility operate more efficiently with accurate consumption data.

Despite the many advantages of the system, the utility recognizes that some customers may want to opt-out of having the meter technology installed inside their homes. The utility offers two options for the customer wishing to opt-out of the meter technology.

**Customer information:** Customer Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Account # \_\_\_\_\_  
Firm Name (if any): \_\_\_\_\_  
Service Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Terms & Conditions:**

**To opt-out of the standard installation of the utility's Advance Meter Infrastructure (AMI), indicate your choice by checking one of the boxes below:**

**Option 1: ERT installed on outside of building**

I agree that I am a named, authorized person on the customer account number entered above. A one-time, non-standard meter installation charge of \$160.00 will be billed to customers who choose to have the ERT installed at a location on the outside of their residence/building, if conditions permit and if new wiring is required. This charge reflects the additional average cost for customer-requested placement of ERTs on the outside of the building. Further, I am indicating that I want to have an outside mount of the ERT and am aware of the one-time charge to cover this special installation, which will be added to my Prairie du Sac Utility bill.

**Option 2: No ERT on property**

I agree that I am a named, authorized person on the customer account number entered above. Further, I am indicating that I want to opt-out of AMI altogether and have the water and electric meters read manually each month. The monthly bill will include an additional charge of \$35.00 to pay for the increased costs for utility personnel to perform the manual meter read and to enter information into the billing system each month. I am aware of the ongoing monthly charge which will be added to my Prairie du Sac Utility bill. This monthly charge will be evaluated by the Public Service Commission with each rate case and could increase or decrease in the future based on actual costs. I understand that the utility shall assess me a one-time charge, based on actual utility costs, for the installation of the non-AMI meters. I understand that I may be excluded from participating in future utility-offered programs for which a wireless transmitter is required.

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Customer Signature

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Date

Completed forms can be e-mailed to [pdsutilities@prairiedusac.net](mailto:pdsutilities@prairiedusac.net) or mailed to:  
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