

City of Bennettsville, South Carolina

Integrated Resource Plan

The City of Bennettsville owns and operates an Electric Distribution Utility (the Utility). South Carolina Code Ann. Section 58-37-40 requires a Municipal Electric Utility to prepare an Integrated Resource Plan, submit the plan to the State Energy Office, and post the plan to the Utility's website.

The Utility purchases bulk power from the Marlboro Electric Cooperative, the Power Supplier, through an all-requirements wholesale power purchase agreement (the Agreement). The current contract period runs January 27, 2015, to January 31, 2031. The Agreement requires the Power Supplier to furnish and the Utility to purchase and receive all power required to serve the Utility's customers except for de-minimis demand-side peak-shaving generation.

Under the Agreement, the Power Supplier is solely responsible for the operation, maintenance, and replacement of generation facilities, securing other supplies if necessary, and the dispatch and transmission of power delivered to meet the Agreement's requirements. The power supplied to the Utility reflects the generation portfolio of the supplier(s). During the contract period, the power supplier(s) retain the right to determine the generating facility(s) and source(s) of power delivered to meet the obligations of the Agreement.