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OPPD Makes Payments in Lieu of Taxes to Counties

(KTNC) - The Omaha Public Power District announced it has made its annual payment in lieu of taxes to counties in its 11-county service territory.

The payments are based on five-percent of OPPD's gross revenues from retail electricity sales in incorporated cities and towns during the previous year.

The payment to Richardson County totaled \$14,128, which is approximately \$1,000 more than last year.

The payment to Nemaha County was \$39,849 and the payment to Johnson County was \$15,106.

OPPD payments in lieu of taxes totaled more than \$30.7 million. The largest payment, nearly \$25 million, was to Douglas County, with another \$4.4 million payment to Sarpy County.

According to OPPD Board member Fred Ulrich, this year's payment represents a 7.9 percent revenue increase for the utility over the 2012 payment.

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