



Lyon-Coffey Events

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Letter From The Manager: Board to Consider New Rates

At the regularly scheduled February Board meeting, the Trustees of Lyon-Coffey voted to hold a special meeting to discuss and vote on new rate proposals.

The meeting will be April 16, 2007, at 6 p.m. at the Burlington Headquarters office at 1013 N. 4th Street.

The cost of service study, conducted by C. H. Guernsey, revealed a shortfall in revenue and detailed possible alternative rates to adjust for this deficiency.

Listed below are some frequently asked questions about the bills with brief responses.

What is the total proposed change to my bill? The average Lyon-Coffey residential customer uses 977 kWh per month and currently pays \$110.96. The proposed new bill would be \$126.52.

Is there still a summer/winter differential? Yes. In order to minimize the rate adjustment, summer and winter rates will remain in effect.

What is the customer charge? This base charge covers the expenses associated with having a meter at your home or place of business, billing, and maintenance of your electric lines, poles and transformers. While our cost of providing you these services has increased dramatically, the custom-

er service charge has remained the same over the past 14 years.

What is the energy cost adjustment (ECA or PCA)? The Energy Cost Adjustment (ECA) or Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) reflects the rates to purchase electricity for our members. This also includes the cost to get power to the cooperative so that we can, in turn, deliver it to you when you need it.

Notice of Special Board of Trustees Meeting

Proposed rate increase will be discussed and voted upon.

Date: April 16, 2007

Time: 6 p.m.

Location: Burlington Office at 1013 N. 4th Street

What is Lyon-Coffey doing to hold down costs? The cooperative strives to operate efficiently while providing our members with safe, reliable energy. We are constantly evaluating processes and looking for ways to reduce the cost of doing business. This includes teaming with 18 other cooperatives in Kansas to secure energy to meet your needs today and into the future.

What are some ways I can manage my bill? Lyon-Coffey Electric offers a number of options to help manage your electric bill.

Some of those services include, a free home energy audit (the free energy audit service can be found on our website, www.lyon-coffey.coop) and budget billing which levels your monthly payments.

The national cost of electricity today, when adjusted for inflation, is less than it was in 1980. Very few commodities have remained such a good value; compared to other consumer products and services, electricity is a relative bargain.

As the demand for energy continues to rise and the costs of fuels increase, your electric cooperative is committed to providing safe and affordable electricity at the lowest possible cost. Electricity was a good value yesterday, but it is a better value today.

If you have additional questions or would like some more information, please contact a member services representative at either our Burlington or Emporia locations.



Scott Whittington

Spring Brings Warmth & Storms

The arrival of spring and warmer weather also brings the potential for severe thunderstorms and tornados. Lyon-Coffey Electric advises everyone to be prepared for these storms and the electrical hazards they can leave behind.

Assemble a kit of essentials, such as a battery-operated flashlight and a radio. Keep a list of emergency phone numbers that includes your electric cooperative. Be prepared for the possibility of a prolonged outage due to power line and electric equipment damage.

Fill spare containers with water for washing and keep a supply of bottled drinking water on hand. Keep a supply of non-perishable food items, along with a hand-operated opener for canned food.

During an outage, switch off lights and appliances to prevent overloading circuits and damaging appliances when power is restored. Leave one lamp or switch on as a signal for when your power returns.

If after a storm or disaster the power to your home is out for a prolonged period, know important safety rules, such as never using a charcoal or gas grill to cook inside.

If you use a standby genera-

tor, make sure a transfer safety switch is used, or connect the appliance(s) directly to the generator. This prevents electricity from traveling back through the power lines, what's known as "back feed". Back feed creates danger for anyone near lines, particularly crews working to restore power.

When venturing outside after a severe storm, stay away from downed power lines and be alert to the possibility that tree limbs or debris may hide an electrical hazard. Assume that any dangling wires you encounter are electrical, and treat all downed or hanging power lines as if they are energized. Warn others to stay away and contact us to inform us of the problem.

Before re-entering a storm-damaged building or room, be sure all electric and gas services are turned off. Never attempt to turn off power at the breaker box if you must stand in water to do so.

Never step into a flooded basement or other area if water is covering electrical outlets, appliances or cords. Be alert to any electrical equipment that could be energized and in contact with water. Never touch electrical appliances, cords or wires while you are wet or standing in water.

ATTENTION: Lyon-Coffey Annual Meeting 2007

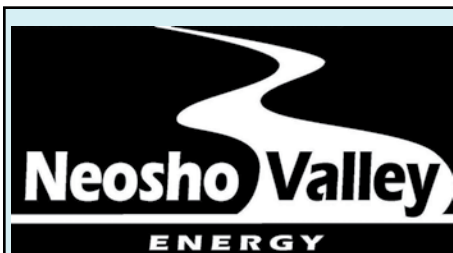
Monday, April 9, 2007
Burlington High School, 830
Cross St., Burlington

Dinner Served – 5:30 p.m.
(Please RSVP)
Business Meeting – 7 p.m.

Grand Door Prize
\$250 FREE Electricity

Great Food
Annual Report
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