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TO REPORT SERVICE INTERRUPTIONS, PLEASE CALL 855-865-2229, (OPTION 1) DAY OR NIGHT.

Have the phone number associated with your account ready when reporting outages. Please limit after hours calls to emergencies and outage situations.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Daniel Houchin, District 1 Randy Roberts, District 2 Danny Easterday, District 3 Rodney Hager, District 4 Ben Lindsey, District 5 Brian Hawkins, District 6 George Key, District 7

REMC SENIOR STAFF

Matthew C. Deaton, General Manager/CEO Marcy Bennett, Office Manager Misty Tincher, Accountant Mark Belcher, Member Services Manager Billy Chastain, Operations Manager Charlie Rollins, Fiber Construction Manager



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CO-OP PROGRAMS HELP YOU DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON - AND BEYOND



Just the thought of the holiday season brings a smile to my face and evokes a sense of nostalgia and reflection.

At Orange County REMC, we're driven by a sense of mission

and purpose and our team feels a strong connection to our community and our members, because we live here too.

While many community-focused programs and activities such as food drives or gift giving programs ramp up this time of year, we have several programs and services in place to help our members year-round. I'd like to remind vou about some of these offerings in hopes vou'll find them beneficial.

We hope you'll take advantage of SmartHub, an app that empowers you to monitor, manage and pay your energy bill conveniently through your phone. You can download the SmartHub app, or go to our website, www.mvremc.coop and click "SmartHub" to log into SmartHub.

Another service we offer is prepaid electric service, which is intended to help budget your monthly energy costs. Orange County REMC's Prepaid Electric Service program allows members to structure energy payments in a way that best fits their needs. The program allows members to view their daily electric use online and receive notifications about the status of their account by telephone and/or email. The PrePaid program also eliminates the requirement for a security deposit.

Individuals must become members of Orange County REMC by completing an application for service and paying a \$25 refundable membership fee. Members must pay all applicable fees and charges prior to commencement of the service. Members receiving service under the

Prepaid Electric Service program will NOT receive a monthly paper bill, but can check their account balance by phone or online.

Our Operation Round Up program makes it easy for school programs, fire departments, 4-H groups, non-profits and other local organizations to receive grants to fund worthwhile programs and projects. By simply choosing to "round up" your energy bills to the next whole dollar amount, you can be part of this program that helps others right here in our community. Through members' generous donations over the last 18 years, we've been able to give \$527,000 to those in need. If you'd like to participate in our Operation Round Up program, please visit the "News and Events" section of www.myremc.coop, and look for Operation Round Up in the drop-down menu.

But the most important investment we make is in our local youth. Orange County REMC has logged numerous volunteer hours supporting schools, youth clubs and programs along with providing thousands of dollars in scholarships for local students over the years. Each year, through our Youth Tour program, we send high school seniors-to-be to Washington, D.C., for a week-long immersion to experience democracy in action. Junior high students can apply for a chance to attend Camp Kilowatt for three days. (You can learn more about these programs on page 8.)

At the heart of all of these programs is you — the members we proudly serve. Looking back, I'm grateful for so many wonderful community partners and for the positive impact we can continue to make. This holiday season, I wish you and your loved ones peace, joy and prosperity. Speaking on behalf of our team at Orange County REMC, I know the future will be bright, because of you.

MATTHEW C. DEATON

General Manager/CEO

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Rate Schedule

How to compute your monthly electric bill:

Use this information to figure your bill for electric use in October, November and December.

Rate Schedule for Standard Service

Standard Service Consumer Charge \$26
Standard Service Energy Charge \$0.1124
Wholesale Power Cost Tracker \$0.0032734
Total bill x Indiana sales tax 7%

Example for 1,200 kWh Standard Service Consumer Charge...... \$26 1,200 kWh @ \$0.1124 \$134.88 Wholesale Power Cost Tracker 1,200 kWh @ \$0.0032734.....\$3.93 Total......\$164.81 Indiana sales tax \$11.54 Total bill\$176.34

Rate Schedule for Time-of-Use Service

Time-of-Use Consumer Charge \$30.90
Energy Charge On-Peak \$0.1671
(On-Peak: 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 9 p.m., Monday-Friday, EST)
Energy Charge Off-Peak \$0.0691
Wholesale Power Cost Tracker . \$0.0032734
Total bill x Indiana sales tax. 7%

Example for 300 kWh (On-Peak) and 900 kWh (Off-Peak)

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Time-of-Use Consumer Charge	\$30.90
Energy Charge On-Peak	
300 kWh @ \$0.1671	\$50.13
Energy Charge Off-Peak	
900 kWh@ \$0.0691	\$62.19
Wholesale Power Cost Tracker	
1,200 kWh @ \$0.0032734	\$3.93
Total	\$147.15
Indiana sales tax	\$10.30
Total bill	\$157.45

Rate Schedule for Security Lighting

Security Lighting: 100 W HPS	\$9.82
Security Lighting: 40 W LED	\$9.82

Visa, MasterCard and Discover cards accepted

Pay by phone at 833-890-7734.

Visit www.myremc.coop for these services:

- Pay online
- Pre-pay your bill
- Sign up for recurring monthly payment

Employee UPDATE



Jacob Harrell joined the Orange County REMC team on Oct. 18. Jacob is our new groundman. He is a graduate of Bedford North Lawrence High School and is engaged to Montana Sullivan. Jacob enjoys hunting, fishing, and riding his dirt bike.



Hannah Carter was recently promoted to human resources and benefits administrator. Hannah joined REMC in 2018 as a member service representative. She is a 2013 graduate of Orleans High School and received her associates of applied science in business management and Human Resources from Ivy Tech Community College in 2017.

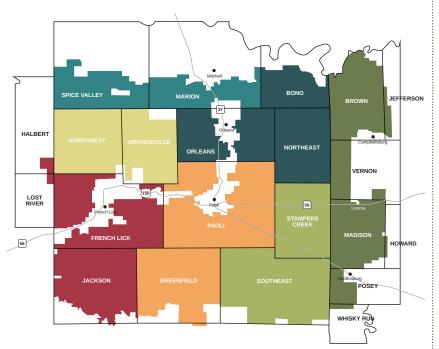


Hope Matthew was recently promoted to marketing and communication coordinator. Hope joined REMC in 2020 as a Member Service Representative. She is a 2013 graduate of Orleans High School and received her bachelor's of arts in graphic design with a concentration in communication from Indiana University Southeast in 2017.



Braden Mitchell joined the REMC team on Nov. 1 as our network administrator. Bradon is a graduate of Crawford County Jr./Sr. High School. He received his computer networking and security degree from Vincennes University. Bradon enjoys hunting, fishing, and working on cars.

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2022 Timeline

for REMC director election

All REMC members who register and attend the Annual Meeting can vote for directors to serve the districts that are up for election in that calendar year. The information below details when deadlines occur in the election process. Incumbent directors whose terms expire in 2022:

- Randy Roberts, District 2
- Rodney Hager, District 4
- George Key, District 7
- Letters of intent due by Feb. 3, 2022
- Incumbent list will be posted by Feb. 18, 2022
- Incumbent names published in the March issue of Indiana Connection Magazine
- Petitions of nominations due by April 19, 2022
- Nominations by the board (absent incumbents seeking re-elections or petitioners) by April 19, 2022
- Full slate of candidates posted and mailed by May 13, 2022. All candidate biographies published in the May or June issue of Indiana Connection.
- Election at annual meeting on June 3, 2022



Calendars and Farmers' Almanacs

Stop by the REMC office and pick up your free copy of the 2022 Farmers' Almanac and the 2022 Cooperative Calendar of Student Art.

2022 Rebate Program

If you're thinking about an energy efficient upgrade to your home or business, visit www.myremc.coop to get information about the 2022 Rebate Program.

Scholarships

There are six \$750 scholarships available each year; one scholarship for a graduating senior per school (Paoli, Springs Valley, Orleans, Mitchell, Crawford and West Washington). Deadline to apply is Feb. 18. Look under "News and Events" at www.myremc.coop for more information and a link to the application.

Mark Your Calendar

The REMC will be closed on the following dates as our employees spend time over the holidays with their families:

Christmas Holiday, Dec. 23-24 New Year's Eve, Dec. 31

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