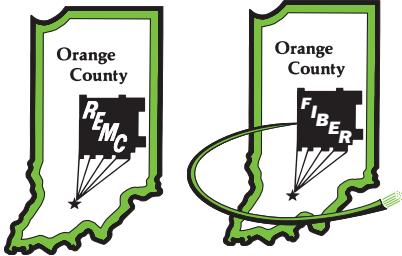


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INTERRUPTIONS, PLEASE CALL

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

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ACE Hardware, State Farm, REI, Land O'Lakes and Orange County REMC all share something in common: we're all cooperatives.

We may be in different industries, but we all share a passion for serving our members and helping our communities to thrive. In fact, all cooperatives adhere to the same set of seven principles that reflect our core values of honesty, transparency, equity, inclusiveness and service to the greater community good. October is National Co-op Month, so this is the perfect time to reflect on these principles that have stood the test of time but also provide a framework for the future. Let's take a look at the first three cooperative principles.

Voluntary and Open Membership

Just like all co-ops, Orange County REMC was created out of necessity — to meet a need that would have been otherwise unmet in our community. So in 1937, a group of neighbors banded together and organized our electric co-op so everyone in our community could benefit. For a modest membership fee to the co-op, any farmer could get electricity brought to his farm. Neighbors came together to tackle a problem that they all had but couldn't solve alone. They worked together for the benefit of the whole community, and the newly established electric lines helped power economic opportunity in our community.

While this history may be forgotten, key parts of that heritage remain — the focus on our mission and serving the greater good. In this, we include everyone to improve the quality of life and economic opportunity for the entire community. Membership is open to anyone who lives within the REMC territory and receives our service.

Democratic Member Control

Our co-op is well suited to meet the needs of our members because we are locally governed. Each member gets a voice and a vote in how the co-op is run, and each voice and vote are equal. Orange County REMC's leadership team and employees live right here in the community. Our board of directors, who helps set long-term priorities for the co-op, also live locally on co-op lines. These board members have been elected by neighbors just like you.

We know our members have a valuable perspective, and that's why we are continually seeking your input and encourage you to weigh in on important co-op issues and participate in co-op elections.

Our close connection to this community ensures we get a first-hand perspective on members' priorities, which helps us to make more informed decisions on long-term investments, such as high-speed broadband and community solar programs.

Members' Economic Participation

As a utility, our mission is to provide safe, reliable and affordable energy to our members. But as a co-op, we are also motivated by service to the community, rather than profits. Members contribute equitably to, and democratically control, the capital of Orange County REMC. At least part of that capital remains the common property of the cooperative.

Members allocate surpluses for co-op programs, initiatives, capital investments and supporting other activities approved by the membership. Because we are guided by seven cooperative principles, it's not just about dollars — it's about opportunity for all and being fair when engaging with our members. The cooperative way is a values-based business model.

MATTHEW C. DEATON

General Manager/CEO

CO-OP NEWS

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)

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 NEWS



Megan Sullivan



Amos Murphy

Orange County REMC is proud to announce Megan Sullivan has recently been hired as a member service representative.

Sullivan is a 2017 Eastern High School graduate. She enjoys binge watching Netflix, spending time with family, and shopping. She has one son, Leven, and lives in West Baden Springs.

Amos Murphy was recently promoted to the position of journeyman lineman. He joined the REMC in 2017 as an apprentice lineman. He is a 2003 graduate of Paoli Jr./Sr. High School and lives with his wife, Shana, in Orleans. They have two children, Griffin and Halle.



STUDENT PROGRAMS

Watch next month's magazine for updates on these exciting opportunities for local students :

- Page Day
- Youth Tour to D.C.
- Camp Kilowatt

2021 Residential Rebate Program

Deadline to apply is Dec. 15, 2021
Get more info at www.myremc.coop/rebates



About the Program

Your electric cooperative is offering a 2021 residential rebate for qualifying equipment (water heaters, geothermal heat pumps and air source, ductless mini split or dual fuel heat pumps). To qualify, a resident must occupy the home where equipment is installed year-round (12 months) and unit must heat and cool whole home unless otherwise stated.

Please provide the following documents to your electric cooperative to apply for possible rebates*:

- AHRI (Air conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration Institute) certificate for validation for all SEER ratings. (This can be obtained from the installing heating and cooling dealer.)
- 2021 Residential Rebate Application
- Proof of purchase (invoice or receipt)

Must apply by December 15, 2021



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* Your electric cooperative reserves the right to approve, deny or select the appropriate incentive. Prior approval is required for electric resistance incentives.



Water Heater (Heat Pump or Hybrid)

New construction or replacing gas or electric



Geothermal Heat Pump

New construction or replacing electric resistance heat, gas, heat pump or geothermal



Air Source or Dual Fuel Heat Pumps

Heat pump replacing gas, existing AC or heat pump or new construction

Heat pump replacing 100% electric resistance heat



Mini-Split Heat Pump

Single room or whole home installations



SPECIAL SAVINGS

ETS Fall Check-Up

Don't wait for cold weather to find out your ETS units are not working properly.

\$25 & \$5

Service Call Each Additional Unit

Call (812) 865-2229 ext. 2036 to schedule your ETS check-up.

Offer valid from September 1 to October 31. Service calls scheduled outside of the promotion dates will not be eligible for the special rate and will be subject to the standard charge of \$50.

ELECTRIC CO-OPS PLAYING KEY ROLE IN *EV deployment*

INTERESTED IN TRANSITIONING TO AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE? ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES ARE INVESTING IN EV PROGRAMS TO HELP YOU REACH YOUR GOAL. IT'S ANOTHER WAY THEY'RE WORKING FOR YOU.

Many co-ops have implemented educational outreach programs and instituted EV and home charger rebate programs. Some provide home installation services. Plus, tailored electric rates can be offered for off-peak EV charging.

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