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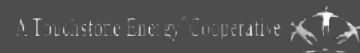
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Your cooperative is a proud member of these fine organizations



Unclaimed Capital Credits

One of the benefits of being a member of Wyrulec Company is that you are also an owner. Your ownership is reflected in any excess margins the cooperative might have at the end of the year, above and beyond the cost of providing electricity to you.

These excess margins are tracked through what we call “capital credits.” Each member of the cooperative is allocated their share of capital credits or excess margins based on their patronage provided to the cooperative each operating year.

These capital credits are held as equity in the cooperative and provide financial stability to the company for many years into the future.

Each year the board of directors reviews the financial position of the cooperative and makes a decision whether or not to “retire” capital credits back to the membership.

When capital credits are retired, they are sent back to the member in the form of a check. It is Wyrulec’s goal to retire five percent of the outstanding operating margins or capital credits back to the membership each year on a FIFO (first in - first out) basis.

The accounting term “FIFO” means that the members who first provided the equity to the company will be the first ones to get their equity back. *Michael Jolovich* Since Wyrulec’s inception, the company has returned over \$20 million to the membership.

Each year during the capital credit retirement process, we find that some portion of the contact information for those who are to receive a capital credit check is no longer valid; leaving the company a limited amount of information to return the equity back to the contributing patron.

Below is a list of names that have an unclaimed capital credit balance following the 2016 & 2017 General Retirements. We appreciate your help in returning these margins to the contributing patrons or their rightful heirs.

Should you find your name listed or if you can provide helpful information regarding

Wyrulec Company's winter hours start October 1st: 7:30 am to 4:00 pm

a listing, please call us toll free at (800) 628-5266 or visit the Wyrulec office.

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Ackerson, Elva O
 Albert, Agnes
 Albert, Joseph
 Arnold, Clarence C
 Ayotte, Thomas G
 Baltz, Ja Nora
 Barker, Kyra L
 Bebo, Mark A
 Beghtol, Trey
 Biggs, Cory A
 Bovey, Joseph E
 Britsch, Daniel E
 Bronkema, Wanda K
 Buller, Tracy L
 Burcham, William
 Clemons, Bud
 Combs, Mark A
 Conrad-Duthie, Jennifer
 Crowser, Nels
 Dennis, Bobby R
 Dimas, Amarante
 Edmondson, Cindy K
 Edwards, Becky
 Edwards, Jody D
 Fletcher, John & Veronica
 Forrest, Andy T
 Goetz, Carol B
 Gustafson, Joe Bill
 HFC Beneficial
 Harris, Richard L
 Henning, Dianna R
 Hurd, Tami
 Huston, Charles F
 J&L Leasing
 Jensen, Venessa
 Johnson, Hazel F
 Jones, Michael J
 Kampman, Mike & Jill
 Ketchum, David M
 Koester, David
 Lackey, George
 Lulow, Corey J
 Magee, Audra M

Martinez, Lena L
 Maude, Dale L
 Mcalary, Derek K
 McCoy, Steven
 McCune, Kenneth B
 Meyer, Ron G
 Meyer, Chris P
 Michon, Arlene M
 Mitchell, Greta A
 Mock, Jerold S
 Moore, Spring M
 Moragan, Stanley JR
 Osmera, Kent
 Otero, John R
 Packard, Daniel L
 Paules, Michael E
 Peters, Ryan D
 Pfannenstiel, Ronald D
 Price, Annie M
 Raglad, Forrest S
 Raymond, George J
 Richers, Chantel A
 Robbs, Judy M
 Ropert, William L
 Rowbotham, Nicholas D
 Schulz, Craig S
 Simons, John C
 Smith, Janice
 Smith, Dallas G
 Snyder, JW
 Stewart, Dennis & Michelle
 Stienmetz, John A
 Stroud, Mary A
 Stuller, Sue
 Tebbet, Sally A
 Voigt, Lane
 Wallace, Mary A
 Walton, James H
 Wheeler, Graydon L
 White, Barbara E
 Wilson, Tim W
 Wood, Josh J
 Woodyard, Roberta A

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Turn off kitchen, bath and other exhaust fans within 20 minutes after you're done cooking or bathing. When replacing exhaust fans, consider installing high-efficiency, low-noise models. *Mary Franks*

Source: energy.gov



Tips for a Safe Harvest



Harvest season brings hard work and can be exhausting, but rushing the job to save time can be extremely dangerous (even deadly!) when working near overhead power lines. We urge farm operators and workers to keep the following safety tips in mind:



Use care when operating large machinery near power lines.



Inspect the height of equipment to determine clearance.



Always keep equipment at least 10 feet away (in all directions) from power lines.



Remember to lower extensions when moving loads.



If a power line is sagging or looks to be dangerously low, please call us immediately.

Source: SafeElectricity.org

* Rachel Martin *



POWER joined Wyrulec employees for the Goshen County Fair Parade



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If you see your name in these pages, contact Wyrulec Company at 307-837-2225. One way or another, the \$25 bill credit you'll get will help you enjoy September since it's also Better Breakfast Month, Little League Month, and Chicken Month.

Local teacher energized at summer energy school

Tri-State Generation & Transmission, the power supplier to Wyrulec Company, recently hosted elementary school through high school educators from a four-state service territory.

Almost 50 teachers from 26 different cooperatives or public power districts attended the three-day, "Science that Sparks" National Energy Education Development (NEED) Project's annual conference in Westminster, Colorado. From Wyrulec Company's service territory, Sheila Bever from Lingle-Ft Laramie Elementary School attended the conference.

Al Teel, member services manager for Wheatland Rural Electric Association, said "Just think, if 40 teachers attend the conference and teach an average of 25 students per year each, 1,000 kids learn the facts about energy each year."

The lessons are created and taught in compliance with state standards and meet national common core learning standards. At the end of the conference, teachers receive a Science of Energy kit (a \$300 value) with hands-on energy-related activities, written lesson plans, and professional development credit.

"The primary goal of the conference is to provide educators with the training and materials to bring innovative hands-on energy units into their classrooms," said Michelle Pastor, education program advisor for Tri-State.

Sheila Bever said they were also able to visit with Tri-State staff about careers in the energy industry, and how teachers can help to prepare students for those future

employment opportunities.

The conference costs, the Science of Energy kit, and most travel expenses are covered by Tri-State.

After visiting JM Shafer Generating Station and touring Tri-State's Operations and Energy Markets areas, attendees participated in the challenging Global Trading Game, where teams of countries consider energy, the environment, and economics in an effort to create the best possible solution for global energy production. Participants also played "Energy Jeopardy" and learned about energy efficiency, conservation, and economic returns by building and insulating a cardboard house.

"When we help teachers to truly understand the subject, we help them to teach their students about energy with passion and confidence," said Pastor.

Educators interested in attending next year's conference, June 19-21, 2019, can contact Wyrulec Company, or Michelle Pastor at Tri-State, mpastor@tristategt.org, for more information.

Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association is the wholesale power supplier, operating on a not-for-profit basis, to 43 electric cooperatives and public power districts that serve more than 1 million consumers throughout nearly 200,000 square miles of Colorado, Nebraska, New Mexico, and Wyoming. For more information, visit tristate.coop.

