

Your monthly report from Your Socorro Electric Cooperative, Inc.

A early morning sunrise glistens on solar panels providing renewable power to Tri-State and Socorro Electric Cooperative

SEC's Power Supplier Rolls Out Responsible Energy Plan

The partnership between Socorro Electric Cooperative (SEC) and Tri-State Generation & Transmission Association (Tri-State) has provided an affordable, reliable source of energy for SEC's Members for almost 20 years. SEC is one of 43 electric distribution members that are served by Tri-State in Colorado, New Mexico, Wyoming, and Nebraska. We purchase our electric power and energy from Tri-State under terms and conditions of the Wholesale Electric Service Contract dated July 1, 2007.

Tri-State's "Responsible Energy Plan", will implement more renewable energy resources to ensure compliance with applicable environmental and state regulations while preserving reliable electricity for SEC and the other member systems. Components of the Responsible Energy Plan make it possible for Tri-State to deliver power and energy to SEC that is reliable and responsible now, as well as into the future. Currently 33% of the energy we receive from Tri-State is generated by renewable resources. With this new "Responsible Energy Plan", 50% of the energy we receive from Tri-State will be generated by renewable energy sources by 2024.

Key Components of the Responsible Energy Plan include:

- **Reducing Emissions:** Tri-State is retiring the Escalante Station coal-fired plant in New Mexico in 2020 and they will retire another coal-fired power plant and its supply mine in Colorado by 2030.
- **Increasing Clean Energy:** Tri-State is adding significant new renewable resources to its portfolio.
- **Increasing Member Flexibility:** Tri-State members, including SEC, are working together to increase contract flexibility to provide members the ability to self-supply additional clean energy.
- **Extending the Benefits of a Clean Grid:** Tri-State will work with its 43 members to help consumers save money, use energy wisely and reduce emissions. Electric vehicles are a priority.
- **Commitment to Community and Employees:** Tri-State is committed to minimizing the effects of this transition by assisting impacted employees, communities and government to develop, fund and implement retraining, educational and economic development solutions that work.

The SEC Board of Trustees and staff support Tri-State in this new plan and are working closely with the New Mexico Rural Electric Cooperative Association and Tri-State to enable all consumers in its service territory to benefit from the implementation of our suppliers Responsible Energy Plan.

Your
**SOCORRO ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE, INC.**

Foundation Scholarship Program Accepting Applications - Due April 6, 2020

The SEC Foundation announces the continuation of its scholarship program for high school graduates who plan to pursue their goal of higher education. This benefit, only eligible to SEC Members, provides scholarship awards of \$1,000 per semester and are renewable up to 8 semesters, for a total potential award of **\$8,000!** To renew the scholarship for each subsequent semester, the recipients will need to maintain a 2.50 cumulative GPA (on a 4.00 scale), and be enrolled as a full-time student each semester.



**SEC
Foundation**
Giving our youth the power and support
to achieve their educational dreams.

Further details about the scholarship program and an application form can be found on our website at www.socorroelectric.com.

Scholarship applications can also be obtained from your local high school counselor or at the SEC offices at 215 East Manzaneras in Socorro. These applications must be returned to SEC by Monday, April 6, 2020.

CONTACT US

WEBSITE

www.socorroelectric.com

PHONE

800-351-7575 or 575-835-0560

PAYING YOUR BILL

You can make your payment over the phone by check or major credit card, 24 hrs. a day, 7 days a week with our IVR phone system at no charge.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

REPORTING AN OUTAGE

Before reporting a power outage, please check the circuit breakers in your house first. If you still do not have power after checking your breakers, please call **(575) 835-0560, (800) 351-7575 or 855-881-8159.**

If you get a busy signal, it is an indication that someone else is experiencing an outage as well; however please continue to call, this will help us pinpoint the problem.

MEMBER SERVICE/BILLING

Marilyn Madrid - Member Service Supervisor
575-835-0560 Ext 1504

ACCOUNTING

Rauni Montoya - Accounting Supervisor
575-835-0560 Ext 2502

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January 2020 Board Report - the Board....

- nominated Members to the 2020 Credentials & Elections Committee
- received staff departmental reports & Board Committee recommendations
- set the next Board Meeting for February 26, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

NOTICE

End of Winter Moratorium Protection

Protection from winter shut-off ends March 15, 2020.

To avoid potential disconnection of services, please contact The Socorro Electric Cooperative at 575-835-0560 or 800-351-7575 to make arrangements for payment.

A Socorro Electric representative will assist you in making a suitable arrangement on your account. Payments or Arrangements **MUST** be made **NO LATER** than March 15, 2020.

Members of New Mexico tribes or pueblos who need help with translation or with other matters may contact the commission's consumer relations division at (888) 427-5772, who will contact the appropriate tribal or pueblo official for assistance.

To apply for the (LIHEAP), call the Human Services Department at 800-283-4465. Applications are also available at The Socorro Electric Cooperative.

Aviso: Fin de Protección de Moratoria de Invierno

Protección de invierno apagar termina 15 de marzo 2020 Para evitar la desconexión de su servicios aga un pago después de 15 de marzo 2020 por favor póngase en contacto con: El Socorro Electric Cooperativa, en 575-835-0560 o 800-351-7575 Un representante de Socorro eléctrico le ayudará en latoma de un arreglo de pago adecuado en su cuenta.

Pago o Arreglos debe hacerse **NO** más tarde de 15 de Marzo 2020. Para solicitar el (LIHEAP), llame al Departamento de servicios humanos al 800-283-4465. Las aplicaciones también están disponibles en Socorro Electric Cooperativa.