

NW Network

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Annual Meeting Set for April 11, 2024

You're invited!

For the fourth year in a row, Northwestern Electric Cooperative's Annual Meeting is meeting our members where they are. Stop by one of our three convenient drive-through locations from 4 to 7 p.m. on April 11!

- **Woodward County Event Center and Fairgrounds**
105A Temple Houston Drive
Woodward, OK 73801
- **Harper County Fairgrounds**
Harper Co. Fairgrounds Bldg.,
Fairgrounds Complex
Buffalo, OK 73834
- **Arnett American Legion Building**
W Renfrow Ave. & N Polk St.
Arnett, OK 73832

Keep in mind, you may choose any of the three locations to attend, regardless of where you live in our service territory. After you select

your location, be sure to review the map below to see the best way in and out of your site!

At the location of your choice, you will get to register, receive your gift, vote, visit with NWECE employees and board members, and be entered to win additional prizes.

All attendees will receive a three-piece NWECE barbecue set in a handy carrying case!



Plus, after you register, you will be automatically entered to win our grand prize or one of our energy credit prizes. This year's grand prize will be a Kubota zero-turn mower with a 60" deck sponsored in part by Arnett New Holland and Kubota.

Also up for grabs are:

- 2 \$500 cash prizes
- 5 \$100 energy credits
- 30 \$50 energy credits

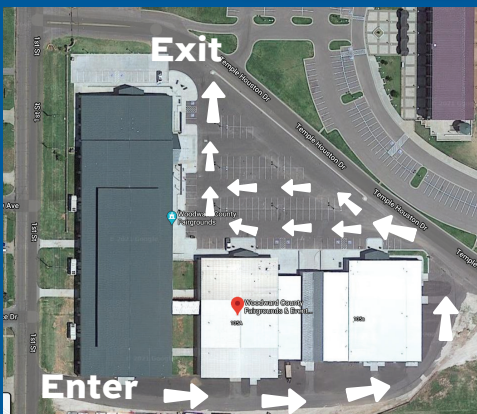
You will soon receive a notice by mail, which will include the previous meeting's minutes and the 2023 co-op financial report for your review. Be sure to bring your official notice with you to the meeting!

Voting results and prize winners will be announced on NWECE's Facebook page and website on Friday, April 12, 2024.

As the meeting approaches, more information will be shared on our website, Facebook page, and in our annual report, which will arrive in early April in place of the NW Network.

We love getting to see our members, so we hope you'll join us on April 11 as we celebrate 83 years of serving Northwest Oklahoma! **NW**

ANNUAL MEETING DRIVE-THROUGH LOCATIONS



Woodward County
Event Center



Harper County
Fairgrounds



Arnett American
Legion Building

Understanding Your Electric Bill

Common line items explained

When you apply for electric service through the co-op, you become a member-owner of NWECC, not just a consumer - that is the cooperative difference.

This means you play a crucial role in the business operations of our non-profit cooperative and it is our job to help provide a better understanding of what those operations are, and what the charges are that you see each month on your billing statement. (20031001)

The descriptions in this article will walk through the line items commonly seen on a residential bill, shown right.

Your bill may look different, depending on many factors. If you have any questions regarding your bill we encourage you to give us a call, we will be happy to help walk through the bill with you. We don't want any of our members "left in the dark" when it comes to understanding their relationship with the co-op.

General Account Information

A member's account number, name, rate, class, telephone, location number, and meter number are all helpful tools in understanding the specific account you are reviewing statistics for.

Energy Charge

This is the kWh usage from the 20th to the 20th multiplied by the current rate. The amount of energy used is controlled by the member.

Multiplier

This is more relevant for large services. The multiplier gives the actual usage for a demand meter by multiplying the kWh used and the corresponding demand multiplier value. This is determined by our metering department when setting up the service.

Fuel

Also called the fuel clause. De-

pending on the true cost of wholesale power that is purchased monthly through our power supplier, this can result in a charge or a credit which is then multiplied with the amount of kilowatts used for the current month. This is a straight pass-through cost.

Consumer Cost Adjustment

This will either be a charge or a credit based on the co-op's financial requirements. When margins are above requirements, then it will be a credit. If they fall below, then it will be a charge.

Base Rate Charge

This amount contributes to NWECC maintaining poles, wires, trucks, meters, transformers and more. The base rate is determined by the size of service that is occupied at the specific location.

Light (HPS, LED, MV)

This is a security light rental fee for those who have a security light



NWECC
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TYSON LITTAU, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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ACCOUNT NUMBER	NAME				RATE	CLASS	TELEPHONE	LOCATION NUMBER	METER NUMBER
12345678	DOE JOHN OR JANE				1	3	123-456-7890	0000000	00000000
SERVICE		NO.	RDG	READING		MULTIPLIER	KWH USAGE	CHARGES	
FROM	TO	DAYS	CODE	PREVIOUS	PRESENT				
03/20/24	04/20/24	30	R	21405	22406	1	1001	112.96	
0.000065 FUEL							1041	0.07	
0.003000 COSUMER COST ADJUSTMENT							1041	3.12	
BASE RATE CHARGE								30.00	
1 100 WATT HPS LIGHT							40	9.00	
FRANCHISE FEE								1.55	
SUBTOTAL								156.70	
PREVIOUS AMOUNT DUE								132.30	
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PAYMENT 4/10/24								-132.30	
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE								156.70	
Voting District: 2 Substation: Woodward									

on an NWECC pole, and that light was installed by NWECC. Keep in mind the member is responsible for notifying the co-op when this light needs maintenance.

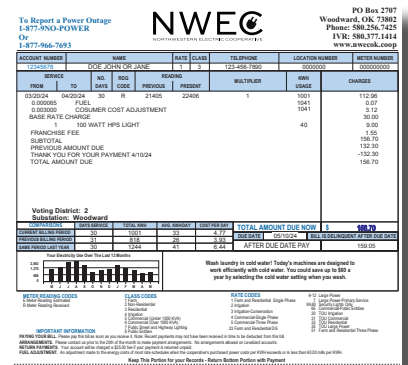
Franchise Fee

Also known as a franchise tax. NWECC is required to pay a 3% city tax for all accounts within city lim-

its. NWECC requires the member to pay only 1% of this tax.

Voting District

Depending on the specific location of the member's primary account they are put into a district that is represented by one of our nine member-elected board members.



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 Online Member Portal
 NWECC Mobile App

www.nwecok.coop

COMPARISONS		DAYS SERVICE	TOTAL KWH	AVG. KWH/DAY	COST PER DAY	TOTAL AMOUNT DUE NOW		\$ 156.70
CURRENT BILLING PERIOD	30	1001	33	4.77	DUE DATE	05/10/24	BILL IS DELINQUENT AFTER DUE DATE	
PREVIOUS BILLING PERIOD	31	818	26	3.93	AFTER DUE DATE PAY		159.05	
SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR	30	1244	41	6.44				

METER READING CODES		CLASS CODES		RATE CODES	
E	Meter Reading Estimated	1	Farm	1	Farm and Residential Single Phase
R	Meter Reading Received	2	Non-Residential	2	Irrigation
		3	Residential	3	Irrigation-Conservation
		4	Irrigation	4	Commercial-Single Phase
		5	Commercial (Under 1000 KVA)	5	Commercial-Three Phase
		6	Commercial (Over 1000 KVA)	23	Farm and Residential DG
		7	Public Street and Highway Lighting	6-12	Large Power
		8	Public Entities	7	Large Power-Primary Service
				99,60	Security Lights Only
				65	Commercial-Public Entities
				20	TOU Irrigation
				31	TOU Commercial
				33	TOU Residential
				35	TOU Large Power
				51	Farm and Residential Three Phase

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

PAYING YOUR BILL. Please pay this bill as soon as you receive it. Note: Recent payments may not have been received in time to be deducted from this bill.

ARRANGEMENTS. Please contact us prior to the 20th of the month to make payment arrangements. No arrangements allowed on Levelized accounts.

RETURN PAYMENTS. Your account will be charged a \$25.00 fee if your payment is returned unpaid.

FUEL ADJUSTMENT. An adjustment made to the energy costs of most rate schedules when the cooperative's purchased power costs per KWH exceeds or is less than 60.00 mills per KWH.

Keep This Portion for your Records - Return Bottom Portion with Payment

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Substation

We have many different substations across our service territory. The substation listed on your bill specifically provides the power to that account, which can be good information to know during an outage. Often times, we will mention the substation name in outage updates on Facebook. (984809001)

Total Amount Due Now

This information is often what members want to know most, and it can also be found at the bottom half of their bill (not shown here), along with the due date and delinquent date. Members have until the 10th of the month to pay their bill without penalties.

Paid By Draft/Auto Pay

Members who have their account set up on draft/auto pay will see this displayed in the bottom left corner of our bill message in blue.

Energy Use Graph

This section shows the account's energy use over the past 13 months and is a helpful tool for members to see what their usage trends are.

Other

Helpful information is listed inside of and below the boxed billing area. The boxed area is used for important co-op messages and efficiency tips. Things like meter reading codes, class and rate codes, and more are listed below that for helpful reference. **NW**



**THANK A
LINEWORKER**

Lineworker Appreciation Day
April 8, 2024

Claim Me if You Can

Each month two member account numbers will be hidden somewhere in the issue. If you find your account number by the 8th of the current month, all you have to do is give us a call and your account will be credited for the amount listed. This month's numbers are worth **\$75 each**. Happy hunting!

