

# Billing

## Components of your Electric Bill

### Facility Charge

A charge for having access to metered electric service. This charge covers fixed expenses such as property taxes, interest on long term debt and depreciation expense.

### Distribution Charge

The charge for delivering electric energy from substations and delivery points to homes and businesses. The energy is delivered at a lower voltage than what travels through transmission lines. Revenue from this charge is the operating revenue for the cooperative. It covers labor, benefits, billing and operating costs.

The state kwh consumption tax is also included in this line of your bill. The cooperative collects the consumption taxes and sends them to the state.

### Generation and Transmission Charge

A charge for the production and the transporting of electric energy to the local electric system. Generation is the act of producing electricity by means of power plants that use coal, natural gas, or a type of renewable energy such as wind, solar, etc. Transmission is the act of transporting high voltage electric energy in bulk from a generation source (power plant) to other principal parts of the electrical system; ex. Substations and delivery points. Buckeye Power, Inc. is your Generation and Transmission cooperative. The Generation and Transmission (G&T) portion of your bill goes to pay for your electric energy that Adams REC purchases from Buckeye Power. This rate does change each month, and it is a straight pass through cost, meaning the consumer pays the amount that the cooperative pays for the generation and transmission

If you have a security light on your account, you will see a separate line item for the Security Light Generation and Transmission Adjustment.

## Billing Procedures

Adams REC's service area is divided into two sections, representing two billing cycles. One cycle is read around the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month, bills processed and mailed around the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month, and due around the 6<sup>th</sup> of the following month. The other cycle is read around the last day of the month, bills processed and mailed around the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month, and due around the 20<sup>th</sup>. It is important that you pay close attention to the due date on your electric bill. Amounts unpaid by the due date will be assessed a 6% penalty.

## Budget Billing

Adams REC offers a Fixed Budget Billing Plan to our consumers. If there has been twelve (12) months' billing history for your account and your balance is zero, you may sign up for Fixed Budget Billing. The primary purpose of the plan is to pay the same amount on your bill each month with a settlement month. The June billing is considered the settlement month, or end of budget year, in which case the account must be paid in full based on the actual kilowatts used during the year. If a credit exists on your account at the time of settlement, it will be applied to your next billing. The budget amount will be adjusted annually with the July billing to reflect the prior 12 months' use. You will be notified of the new budget amount on your June bill.

Please remember that the Fixed Budget Billing Plan amount is due in full each month. Failure to pay the full Fixed Budget Billing Plan amount may result in termination of the agreement. If you would like to be set up on the Fixed Budget Billing Plan, please contact the billing department. The account must be paid in full before the budget can be established.

## Did not receive your bill

Remember that failure to receive your bill in no way relieves you, the member, from paying it. If you do not receive your bill, contact the office billing department before the due date so that another bill can be issued.