



## President's Comments



**Dustin Tripp**  
President/CEO

## Capital Credits Retirement Checks

As the electric utility industry continues to evolve, face continual change and explore different ways to serve customers, we can all be proud that we are part of the electric cooperative program. Electric cooperatives have a very unique business model that has proven to benefit cooperative members and has stood the test of time for over 75 years.

The most profound and distinct difference between electric cooperatives and other utility business structures is that electric cooperatives are not-for-profit organizations that are member-owned and member-controlled. As a not-for-profit organization, your Cooperative does not strive to produce profits for shareholders and investors but must maintain a sound financial position for the membership. Your Cooperative sets the electric rates high enough to cover the costs of providing service and at the end of the year, any funds that were collected above the cost of service are allocated to you, our members, in the form of capital credits.

These capital credits are retained by the Cooperative and used to build and maintain the infrastructure necessary to serve the members and service the long-term debt of the Cooperative. When the financial condition and cash position of the Cooperative permits, the capital credits are then retired and paid back to you, as members and owners. Every year your Cooperative mails capital credit statements to every Cooperative member notifying them of their allocated capital credit balance and the amount of capital

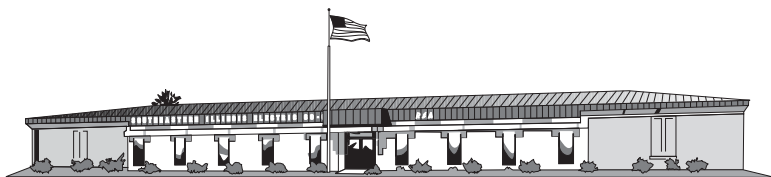
credits allocated to them in the previous year. This statement shows each member their equity and ownership in the Cooperative.

At this time I am pleased to inform you, as Cooperative members and owners, that your Cooperative's Board of Trustees has approved the retirement and return of \$1.4 million of Capital Credits to the members. The capital credits that are being returned are from the years 1978, 1979 & 2011. This means that if you were a Cooperative member in any or all of these years, you should be receiving a check in early December for those capital credits.

I would like to close by stating that all of us can be proud to be a part of the Electric Cooperative program. The founders of the electric cooperative program developed a unique business structure that by its very nature, makes electric cooperatives very accountable to the members it serves. This unique structure has contributed to the success of your Cooperative over the years and remains unchanged even today, some 74 years later. Your Cooperative is governed by local people that live and work in your very own communities. Your Cooperative is operated by a group of local employees that also live and work in your very own communities. Your Cooperative's sole purpose is to provide you, as cooperative member-owners, with reliable and quality service at equitable rates.

See you next month and as always, "We'll keep the lights on for you."

READERSHIP PRIZE WINNER:  
Melvin Goldman, Eldorado, IL



# Miscellaneous Items For Sale

## VEHICLES

1. \*1999 Ford F350, Vin #1FDWF37F2XEA42036, 4X4, 7.3 L Powerstroke, Automatic Transmission, Unit #96B, Mileage 202,XXX,Altec AT250G Bucket Serial #0498K2778. **Minimum Bid \$3,800**
2. \*1999 Ford F350, Vin #1FDWF37FOXEA42035, 4X4, 7.3L Powerstroke, Automatic Transmission, Unit #98B, Mileage 264,XXX, Altec AT250G Bucket Serial #0498K2777. Unit has engine problems. **Minimum Bid \$2,500**
3. \*2000 Freightliner FL70, Vin #1FV6HLCB7YHB44764, 8.3L Cummins, Automatic Transmission, Aluminum Service Body, Front Bumper Winch, Air Brakes. Unit #07C, Mileage 148,XXX, Altec D845ABC Digger Derrick Serial #1299BE2816. **Minimum Bid \$16,000.**
4. \*1995 Freightliner FL70,Vin #1FV6HFAA9SL552843, 5.9L Cummins, Automatic Transmission, Front Bumper Winch, Forestry Body, Air Brakes, Unit #57D, Mileage is in excess of 80,XXX shown, Altec LB650A Bucket Serial #0195BR0355 **Minimum Bid \$13,000.**
5. 2001 Freightliner FL70 Vin #1FVABUBS31HG77316, 8.3L Cummins, Automatic Transmission, Front Bumper Winch, Forestry Body, Air Brakes, Unit #10D, Mileage 145,XXX, Altec LRV55 Bucket, Serial #0700CV0590. **Minimum Bid \$23,000.**
6. 2001 Freightliner FL70, Vin #1FVABUBS11HG77315, 8.3L Cummins, Automatic Transmission, Front Bumper Winch, Forestry Body, Air Brakes, Unit# 11D, Mileage is in excess of 97,XXX shown, Altec LRV55 Bucket Serial #0700CB0591. **Minimum Bid \$23,000**
7. 1998 Ford Ranger, Vin #1FTZR15UXWPB32892, V6, 4X4, Extended Cab, Automatic Transmission, Unit #83E, Mileage 152,XXX. **Minimum Bid \$1,800.**
8. 1998 Ford Ranger, Vin #1FTZR15U1WPB32893, V6, 4X4, Extended Cab, Automatic Transmission, Unit #84E, Mileage 120,XXX **Minimum Bid \$2,000**
9. 2001 Dodge Ram 1500, Vin#1B7HF13Z01J589551, V8, 4X4, Extended Cab, Automatic Transmission, Unit #15A, Mileage 191,XXX. **Minimum Bid \$1,800.**
10. 2001 Dodge Ram 1500, Vin#1B7HF132Z01J589550, V8, 4X4, Extended Cab, Automatic Transmission, Unit #17A, Mileage 136,XXX. **Minimum Bid \$2,500**
11. 2000 Imperial 16' Trailer with Dovetail, Unit #35T, Vin #1T9FS162XY0372504, 14,000 GVWR, Tilt, Steel Floor. **Minimum Bid \$1,250.00**
12. 1992 Jamar 18' Utility Trailer, Vin #4AJFS1822NJ005210, 3,500 #Axles, Unit #29T, Equipped with seating for 20+ people. **Minimum Bid \$500.00**
13. 1997 Case 660 Trencher, Serial #JAF0199201A, 3.9L Cummins 4 Cycle Diesel, Backhoe Attachment, 1,934 Hours. Unit #660B1. Includes a 2001 Imperial Trailer, 18' Steel Deck with Dovetail, Tilt. Unit #5T. 14,000 GVWR, Vin #1T9FX182910372416. **Minimum Bid \$12,500.00**
14. 1999 Case 660 Trencher, Serial #JAF0296303, 3.9L Cummins 4 Cycle Diesel, Backhoe Attachment, 1,263 Hours, Unit #660M2. Includes a 2002 Imperial Trailer, 18' Steel Deck with Dovetail, Tilt. Unit #3T. 14,000 GVWR, Vin #1T9FS182820372313. **Minimum Bid \$15,000.00.**
15. 2004 Brush Bandit Model 254 Chipper, Serial #1457, Disc, Winch, 14" Capacity Dual Wheels, Air Brakes, Approximately 1,300 Hours. Unit #5DC. **Minimum Bid \$9,500.00**
16. 1972 Dorsey Lowboy Trailer, Serial #96716 Triple Axle Specialty Trailer with Turntable for Hauling Substation Transformers. Will Not Pass Inspection in Current Condition. Unit #7T. **Minimum Bid \$1,200.00**
17. Pallet of Ford Parts. **Minimum Bid \$400.00.**

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\*15% fee added to the final sealed bid price for units listed in items 1-6 due to Altec handling the sale of these units.

# Miscellaneous Items For Sale

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## Computers

18. Dell Poweredge 2950 – No Hard Drives or Ram
19. Dell Poweredge 2900 – No Hard Drives (2)
20. Dell Poweredge 1900 – No Hard Drives
21. Dell Poweredge 1600sc – No Hard Drives (2)
22. HP Proliant ML530 – No Hard Drives
23. HP Proliant ML350 – No Hard Drives
24. Dell Optiplex gx280 – No Hard Drives (2)
25. Dell D600 Laptops – No Hard Drives (7)

## Printers

26. HP Officejet Pro K5400
27. Laserjet 2300n (2)

## Miscellaneous

28. SMC EZ1024DT 10/100 Switch 24 Port (2)
29. SMC 3616TC Hub 16 Port
30. Verizon/Frontier 6100 Series DSL Modems (4)
31. HP Storageworks Optical 220mx
32. Sharp AR405 Copier for parts only

All items are to be sold AS IS. The descriptions on the items are to the best of the Cooperative's knowledge. There are no warranties existing which extend beyond the description of the goods sold.

The above surplus equipment is available for sale and may be viewed at the Eldorado Headquarters from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, December 11, 2012. Sealed bids are to be submitted by 4 p.m. Tuesday, December 18, 2012.

Bid forms will be available on site during the viewing and can be submitted at that time. If you choose to write out your bid, please designate the UNIT Number you wish to bid on, your bid price, name, address and telephone number. Bids are to be for an exact dollar amount.

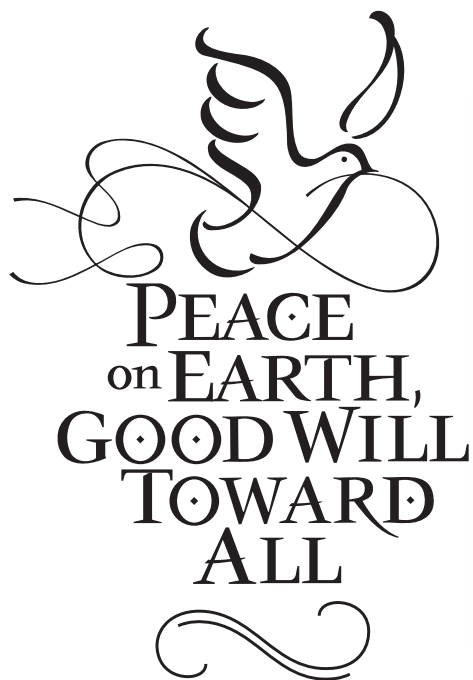
Heat rises. And when it slips past your ceiling, it melts snow on the rooftop.

It's an easy way to tell if you need new insulation.

Find out what you can do at [TogetherWeSave.com](http://TogetherWeSave.com).

**GUESS WHICH HOUSE HAS BETTER INSULATION IN THE ATTIC.**





*Our offices will be closed  
December 25  
for the Christmas holiday  
and January 1  
for New Years.*

## POWER OUTAGE

### If your power goes off, we offer these suggestions

1. Check the fuses or circuit breakers in your service panels. If you have breakers, make sure they are in the "ON" position.
2. If you have a meter pole, check the main breaker panel just below the meter socket. If the breaker is in the "OFF" position, check all of your wiring from the meter pole to your various buildings. If the wiring appears to be okay, reset the breaker to the "ON" position.
3. If you still do not have power, check with neighbors to see if they have power.
4. To report a power failure or other emergency, please phone 1-877-399-8405. This phone number is monitored around the clock, 365 days per year to accept your outage and emergency calls.
5. Your phone call will be handled by SouthEastern's automated outage reporting system and will be identified automatically through ANI (Automatic Number Identification). An outage record will then be generated for your location. Please note that the phone number from which you place the call will be the number used to generate the record. If the system fails to recognize your phone number, members having touch-tone phones may simply enter their seven-digit phone number (without area code) in order to report the outage. Members not having touch-tone phones will be asked to leave a message. It is important you leave your name, phone number and location of the outage. Retrieving messages and entering them into the system is time consuming; therefore, please leave only a message that will help in restoration of electric service. Do not remain on the line for an operator because a live operator is not there to respond. In order to keep a current listing of all numbers, it is important that you notify the Cooperative of any changes in your telephone number.
6. Handling outage calls electronically allows you to report power failures very quickly. Once your outage has been reported, it will be dispatched to repair personnel who will restore your outage as soon as possible. Calling back repeatedly will not shorten the length of the outage, but may hinder the efforts of other members who are trying to report outages.

**OUTAGE CALLS ONLY 1-877-399-8405**

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