

energy update



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SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR ANNUAL MEETING DRIVE-THROUGH

Monday, September 11, 2023
1:30-6:30 p.m.

ACEC Headquarters, Postville



Check your mailbox this month for your Annual Report, which contains your ballot for directors!



If you have plans to do a solar panel project on your property, please contact Allamakee-Clayton Electric Cooperative before you get started. Manager of Member Services Ryan Wagner can walk you through all the steps needed to have it properly installed and added to our service lines.

If someone approaches you about renting or buying your land for a solar project, DO NOT sign a contract until you contact ACEC. All solar projects must go through the local electric company regardless of the size of the project. If someone reaches out to you about installing solar panels, call ACEC at (888) 788-1551.

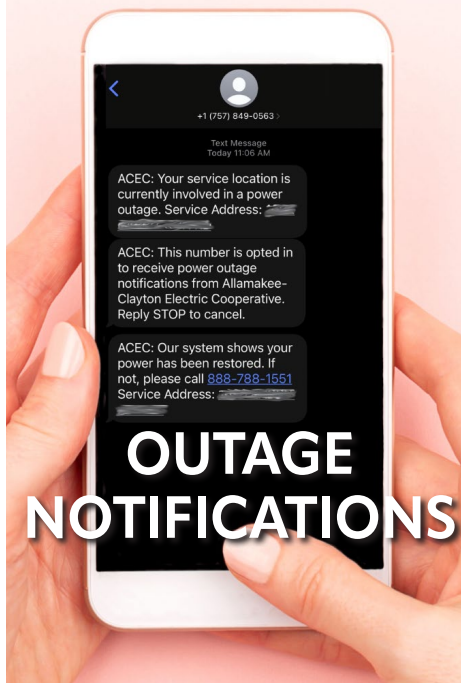
Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Did you know ceiling fans can make a room feel 4 degrees cooler?

To save energy through ceiling fan use, remember to raise your thermostat a few degrees while fans are turned on. Ceiling fans can help improve comfort year-round. In the summer, operate ceiling fans in a counterclockwise direction. Reverse the direction to clockwise during winter months and set fans on a low speed so warm air can circulate from the ceiling to the lower levels of the room.

Remember, ceiling fans cool people, not spaces. Be sure to turn them off when you leave the room.

Source: Dept. of Energy



Have you signed up for our power outage notification text message system? Any member can opt-in to the text messaging program for FREE. Text messages will notify members of any outages and at what location(s), as well as when the power is expected to be restored. A final message will be sent once power is back on.

To register, go to www.acec.com and click on outages in the top right portion of the website. You will need your account number to register. If you have any questions, please contact ACEC at 563-864-7611.

What's the fuss about **PEAK ENERGY USAGE?**

Peak energy demand is when energy consumption is at its highest.

In much of the U.S., energy use spikes in summer and winter due to increased energy demands for heating and cooling spaces.

In the summer: Energy use spikes from mid- to late afternoon until evening.

In the winter: Energy use is higher in the early morning and then again in late afternoon/evening.

Adjusting when you use electricity can help even out energy use and avoid service interruptions caused by high demand.

Source:
U.S. Energy Information Administration

Learn more at SafeElectricity.org