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From the President & CEO



The (multi) million-dollar season

By Rich Bauer

HERE in our area, we have deer season, trout season and baseball season, to name a few. But an important season for Valley REC is the "Electric Shift" season. "What's Electric Shift season?" you ask. Well, let me explain it and tell you just how important it is.

If you have read my columns before or attended one of our meetings, you have heard me talk about our wholesale power costs. The billing for the power the co-op purchases is broken down into two main parts — the energy portion and the capacity portion. Each portion makes up roughly half of the cost, and today we are going to focus on the capacity portion.

During the months of June through September, on typically the five hottest hours in that four-month stretch, our capacity charge for the following year is set. It may sound strange, but those five hours determine our capacity charges for the ENTIRE next year. So, roughly half of our power costs for 2017 will be based on something that happens this summer.

Valley REC's service territory is part of the Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Maryland (PJM) power market, which covers the majority of the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Region. When the entire PJM region is at one of those five highest-use hours, PJM engineers take a snapshot of what every utility in their region is using, and that is how our capacity charge is set for the following year. That's why it is so important to try to limit our use during those five hours, to keep our costs down as much as possible.

The question I get asked most often is, "When do those five hours occur?" That is literally the multi-million-dollar question! No one knows for sure when those hours will occur until that day because no one can control Mother Nature. We don't know when it will be. But we do know it's coming. It is typically on the hottest days of the summer, during the week and typically never on a holiday.

Allegheny Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Allegheny), our generation and transmission supplier in Harrisburg, monitors the PJM load daily. If they feel that one of those five peaks is going to occur, they alert us and we in turn put out a broadcast on local radio stations to let our members know that it may be an Electric Shift day. We ask you to try to conserve electricity during the projected hours by not running kitchen appliances, air conditioners and pool pumps. Hopefully, people will shift their use when they hear the radio ads.

When we receive alerts from Allegheny, we also activate our demand response program. This load management system uses the demand response units (DRUs) that are attached to some of our members' water heaters. The DRUs turn off water heater elements during the projected time of peak use, effectively shifting that energy consumption to a less expensive time. Currently, we have almost 20 percent of our members participating in this program, and they have helped us keep our capacity costs down. To the other 80 percent, I ask that you please take a moment and consider helping your friends

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What do we do with this money?

Co-op needs your help locating members for capital credits return



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Late last year, more than \$856,000 in capital credits refunds were distributed to eligible members and former members of the co-op.

Since that time, more than 180 of those checks were returned by the post office because of incorrect address information.

We are making every effort to return this money to its rightful owners.

Listed on the following pages are the names of the consumers whose checks have not been able to be delivered.

If you recognize a name and can provide an up-to-date address (or information about the executor of the estate or nearest relative if the member is deceased), please call us at 814-643-2650 or toll-free 800-432-0680.

You can also write to the Capital Credits Department, Valley REC, P.O. Box 477, Huntingdon, PA 16652-0477.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

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From the President & CEO

(continued from page 14a) and neighbors. You receive a \$100 bill credit for participating, and there are no costs to you. We guarantee you will never run out of hot water. It would be truly amazing to see how low our costs could be if everyone participated in this program.

So, beginning this month, please be ready for Electric Shift season. With a few small changes and participation in our DRU program, it could be the most successful season that you and the cooperative have this summer.

As always, if you have any comments, questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you and God Bless. **②**

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month



Avoid setting your thermostat at a colder setting than normal when you turn on your air conditioner. It will not cool your home any faster and could result in excessive cooling and unnecessary expense.

Source: energy.gov