

Power Lines

JUNE 2018

OFFICE HOURS CHANGE NOTICE:

Beginning Monday, June 4, Powder River Energy Corporation offices and member service phones will open at 9 a.m. and close at 5 p.m. weekdays. Call 1-800-442-3630 for more information.

Idle service options available

When Powder River Energy staffers talk about an "electric service," they are referring to a transformer, a metering point, and the poles or wires that connect and support them.

That electric service apparatus is sometimes de-energized and left idle when the member no longer needs it, or temporarily suspends power to the property, which can range from a stock well or irrigation pump, to a residence or larger structure.

PRECorp still maintains these services, and pays property taxes on them as a part of our system. Additionally, unused lines and equipment can cause inefficiencies in our distribution system and increase the chances of power interruptions to other services. Idle lines, therefore, add to the

cost of providing electric service to all of our members.

PRECorp has procedures to ensure that the cooperative effectively manages idle lines within its system. Retention rates allow PRECorp to account for idle services where appropriate, in order to reduce the expenses associated with those services.

Also, the program keeps infrastructure in place in case there is a future need for improving the membership's service reliability.

The process also provides a rate structure that will allow members to retain idle lines that they intend to re-energize in the future while contributing to the maintenance, depreciation and property taxes associated with the idle line. The Idle Line Retention will allow the member to have the meter disconnected and continue to pay a minimum charge to ensure the electric line is left in place.

If you have an idle service in your name, PRECorp will contact you to find out whether you have future plans for this service or would like to have it removed. To retain the idle line, you will be required to pay the idle line retention charge associated with the type of service it was when energized.

The monthly rates are:

- Residential/Seasonal: \$15
- **Irrigation: \$15**
- **General Service: \$18**
- General Service CBM: \$35
- Large Power: \$79
- Large Power CBM: \$100

For more information, contact the PRECorp Member Service Department at 1-800-442-3630.

Is your stock well power secure?

Powder River Energy reminds our member/landowners who might have stock well pumping agreements through a third-party to occasionally review those agreements with the third party. This is important so livestock managers can avoid unexpected electric water pump service interruptions, if the third-party terminates its electrical service.

PRECorp is often unaware of these types of special arrangements.

If electricity to the third-party is disconnected for any reason, the power to your livestock water pump and thus pumping service could be jeopardized. If you are not the direct recipient of the electrical service, and PRECorp is unaware of the third-party arrangement, this loss of service could occur without your knowledge or notification.

If you are watering your livestock under such a thirdparty arrangement, and you want to minimize the chances of a disconnect, please contact us with the following information:

- Notify us of your third-party arrangement.
- Request notification if the third party terminates its service.

To inform us of such arrangements, or to establish direct service to your stock well pump directly, please call PRECorp Member Service Department at 1-800-442-3630.

HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURE: Powder River Energy Corporation offices will be closed Wednesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

Annual Meeting reminders

As part of the preparation for the PRECorp Annual Meeting Saturday, August 25, at the Gillette Cam-Plex Energy Hall, members are encouraged to contact us <u>as soon as possible</u> about interest in the following **NEW** activities planned for the Annual Meeting. For information go to <u>www.precorp.coop</u> and select "2018 Annual Meeting".

Blood Draw/Wellness Body Scan:

Wyoming Health Fairs will conduct wellness blood draws from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. on August 25. PRECorp will pay the cost of the basic blood draw for members and their spouses. Attendees may pay for additional tests if they so choose.

Those wishing to have their blood drawn for a standard blood panel test must fast for 12 hours. Coffee and light snacks will be provided to blood draw participants prior to lunch being served at 11 a.m. Member registration and voting will be available starting at 8 a.m.

Call PRECorp Member Service at 1-800-442-3630 if you would like to take advantage of a free blood test.

A newly designed body scanning machine will be available thanks to a partnership between Wyoming Health Fairs and Spiral Therapy, Inc. This scanner will debut at the Annual Meeting to demonstrate how this scanning device can detect unique data points related to a person's body alignment and structure. The technology develops personalized treatment and physical therapy plans for healing and working toward a pain-free life.

Tour of Dry Fork Station, ITC:

Up to 40 PRECorp members can be part of a special tour of the Dry Fork Station Power Plant and Integrated Test Center north of Gillette at 10 a.m. as part of the Annual Meeting on August 25.

Members who would like to participate in this one-hour tour should call PRECorp Member Service at 1-800-442-3630 as soon as possible. It will be on a first-come, first-serve basis.