



# CARBON LIGHT LINES

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JIM ROGERS  
District 3 Director

## Board Actions MAY 2024

Approved the  
Department  
Production and  
Financial Reports.

Approved the Line  
Extension for Rock  
River I and II.



Carbon Power & Light, Inc. employees Andrew Everett and Memphis Smith have successfully completed one of the world's most comprehensive training programs for power line personnel. The Merchant Job Training and Safety Program (MJTS) is administered to line personnel in more than 40 states throughout the United States. Andrew and Memphis and the support staff at Carbon Power & Light can be proud of their accomplishment. Each utility has an acting Training Coordinator assisting their Trainees by administering "closed book" testing. The coordinators manage their own people throughout the training process from rules set by the MJTS and the statewide association. Congratulations to Andrew and Memphis, who can look forward to a very rewarding life long occupation as Journeyman Lineman.



## **Member-Owned Service - Proud**



### **RUSSELL WALDNER, GENERAL MANAGER**



**Carbon is currently conducting a cost of service study to determine the appropriate rates for all classes of electric service. We are expecting a rate increase of 6.3% from Tri-State and are currently experiencing lower residential sales impacting our margins. At the annual meeting I announced an anticipated 4 to 5% rate increase for 2025.**

**The Cost of service study will evaluate our revenue requirements, the expenses each rate class requires and the required rate from each class. There is a lot of data to review and analyze to get to a good solid rate plan.**

**In April the Board approved a new rate for transmission connected renewable projects that require**

**standby service. This rate is named Station Power Service or SPS for short. The Rate added a demand component to the rate and lowered the kWh charge. The rate takes affect for July usage. Demand is the time that an electric service uses its peak kW for the month or a given period. Tri-State bills Carbon's demand in a peak period. The peak period is from Noon to 10pm, interestingly our SPS members contributed enough to set our peak demand in June. The SPS rate will also be evaluated in the cost of service study.**

**As always if you have questions or concerns, please contact us.**



Member Statistics Report	May 2023	May 2024
<b>Financial</b>		
Total Utility Plant	\$57,344,080	\$59,744,905
Cost of Purchase Power	\$558,514	\$729,866
Expenses Less Power Cost	\$576,728	\$619,148
Tax & Interest Paid	\$60,817	\$77,972
Interest Received on Investments	\$19,268	\$29,306
<b>Energized Line &amp; Consumers</b>		
Miles of Energized Line	2,011	2,018
Consumers Per Mile	3.3	3.3
<b>Meters</b>		
Total Meters	6,657	6,715
Residential/Rural	5,477	5,536
Irrigation	54	55
Large Power/Commercial	1,076	1,075
Other	50	50
<b>kWh Usage</b>		
Total kWh	8,023,540	9,444,173
Residential/Rural	2,913,462	3,399,284
Irrigation	308,811	259,109
Large Power/Commercial	4,612,359	5,573,632
Other	188,908	212,148
<b>Averages</b>		
Avg. Residential kWh Used	532	614
Avg. Residential/Rural Bill	\$92	\$101

Carbon welcomes any comments or questions members may have. If you have a question on any part of the cooperative business, please write or email the cooperative and we will see that your question is answered. \*Richard A Nelson\* Mail comments to Carbon Power & Light, Inc. P.O. Box 579, Saratoga, WY 82331, ATTN: Newsletter or email info@carbonpower.com.

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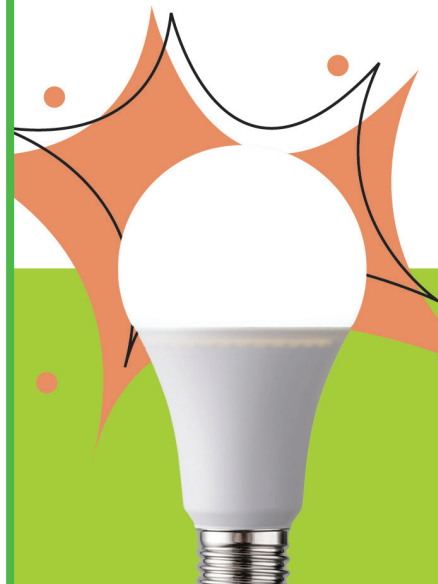
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**ENERGY EFFICIENCY**  
 TIP OF THE MONTH

Now is the time to schedule annual maintenance for your home's heating system. During fall months, HVAC technicians are typically less busy, making this an excellent time for maintenance and any necessary repairs before the winter months.

A qualified technician can clean filters, check for leaks and ensure all system components are working efficiently to keep you home cozy and warm when the temperatures begin to drop.



# ***Please Welcome Carbon's New Billing Clerk Megan Greenwood***

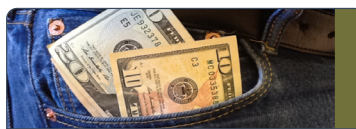


Megan's favorite pastimes include showing cutting horses, reining cow horses, hiking, fishing, kayaking and anything outdoors. Her family includes Paul Howe and 4 Schnitzels- Vander, Max, Fergus and Finn, along with her show horses Megatron and Simon.



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