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Redesigned With You in Mind

Welcome to your new billing statement!

We have used the previous bill format for over 20 years, and new options available from our billing provider allowed us to make significant improvements. In addition to all of the billing details you are accustomed to viewing, we now have the opportunity to provide you with additional information.

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Visit us online at www.PriceElectric.coop
Phone: 715-339-2155 or 1-800-884-0881
Secure Pay: 1-855-941-3607

Member Name: JOHN DOE
Account #: 1234567

Billing Date: 10/02/2024
Current Bill Due Date: 10/20/2024

Previous Balance	\$151.34
Payment Received	-\$151.34
Balance Forward	\$0.00
Current Charges Due	\$135.79
Total Amount Due	\$135.79

Total Due
\$135.79
Due Date: 10/20/2024

Important Messages
Sign up for autopay bankdraft and/or paperless billing by October 31st and you may be eligible to receive a one-time bill credit. Breakfast in the Northland will be held on Saturday, October 12, 2024 at the PEC office in Phillips. For more information call or visit PEC's website for details.

Rate Schedule Description	Meter No.	Service Dates	Readings	Multiplier	kWh Usage	kW Demand
		From To	Previous Present			
FARM,HOME,SM COMM	A12345	09/01/2024 09/30/2024	41563 42167	1	604	0.000

Current Service Detail

Service Availability - Electric		\$45.00
Electric KWH Charge	604 kWh @ 0.1365	\$82.45
State Sales Tax		\$6.37
County Tax		\$0.64
Public Benefit		\$1.33
Total Current Charges		\$135.79

Energy Usage Comparison

Category	This Month	Last Month	This Month Last Year	Avg Daily Use	Avg Daily Cost	Avg Daily High
kWh	604 kWh (30 days)	627 kWh (31 days)	600 kWh (30 days)	20 kWh	\$4.53	61°F

Account Summary

Account #	1234567
Total Due 10/20/2024	\$135.79

Payment Information

Price Electric Cooperative
PO Box 110
Phillips WI 54555-0110

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PO BOX 110
PHILLIPS WI 54555-0110

Barcode

330580003244600000013579000013579100220244

A. Amount Due

The total amount due and the payment due date are located here at the top of the bill.

B. Rate Schedule

The rate schedule for your account.

C. Important Messages

Priority messages from the cooperative regarding your electric service or bill.

D. Monthly/Daily Energy Use

The total amount of energy used at your service location compared to the same month of the previous year and average daily energy use for the billing period.

E. Contact Us

We are happy to assist you with any questions regarding your service. Please contact us by calling 715-339-2155 during our regular business hours.

F. Quick Payment Options

Fast, easy payments through your SmartHub account online at www.PriceElectric.coop or through the mobile app. Or call our secure payment line 24/7/365.

G. Current Charges

The monthly kWh charges, service availability, and a listing of other monthly charges for your account (i.e. outdoor light, taxes, etc.).

H. Bill Stub

The lower portion of your electric service bill to return to the cooperative by mail. The billing stub includes the total amount due.

DUAL FUEL WINTER PREPAREDNESS TEST

Note: This test is for participating dual fuel heat members only. If you do not participate in the dual fuel/load management program, this test does not apply to you.

The winter preparedness test is performed in advance of the winter full load control season to ensure members' familiarity with the control times and to

ensure that backup heating systems are functioning properly. Dual fuel heat will be tested on **Wednesday, November 20**. The control will begin at 6:55 a.m., with some loads beginning restoral at 10 a.m., and all loads being restored by 11 a.m..

The winter load control season runs from December through February. On full load control days, dual fuel heat will begin controlling at 6:55 a.m., with some

loads beginning restoral starting at 10 a.m., and all loads being restored by 11 a.m.

If you are a dual fuel heat or load management participant, you can sign up to be notified when there is a load control event. If you would like to be added to the notification system, call member services at 715-339-2155 or email memberservices@PriceElectric.coop.

STRUGGLING TO PAY UTILITY BILLS?



See if you qualify for energy assistance

Who is eligible?

Homes heated with wood, propane, natural gas, electricity, or fuel oil can receive energy assistance if your household gross income is less than the amount shown on the chart below. You may also be eligible to receive a payment from Wisconsin Public Benefits for your non-heating electric costs.

Household Size	One Month	Annual Income
1	\$3,061.08	\$36,733
2	\$4,002.92	\$48,035
3	\$4,944.83	\$59,338
4	\$5,886.75	\$70,641
5	\$6,828.58	\$81,943
6	\$7,770.50	\$93,246
7	\$7,947.08	\$95,365
8	\$8,123.67	\$97,484

How does it work?

Energy assistance is a one-time payment during the heating season (October 1–May 15). The funding pays a portion of energy costs, but it is not intended to cover the entire energy costs of a residence. In most cases, the energy assistance benefit is paid directly to the household's energy supplier.

What if you do not have heat or may be disconnected?

Crisis assistance may be available if you have no heat, have received a disconnect notice, or are nearly out of fuel and are unable to purchase more. WHEAP agencies provide a 24-hour crisis phone number to help with emergencies after business hours. Non-emergency assistance may include

information on how to reduce energy costs, counseling on budgeting and money management, and payments to an energy provider

For information and application information, contact your local social services office.

- Ashland County715-682-7004
- Iron County715-561-3636
- Lincoln County715-539-1344
- Oneida County715-362-5695
- Price County715-339-2158
- Rusk County715-532-2299
- Sawyer County715-634-4806
- Taylor County715-785-5350
- Vilas County800-506-5596

Source: <https://energyandhousing.wi.gov/>

MEMBER ENGAGEMENT GROWS WITH THIS YEAR'S BREAKFAST

Approximately 300 members of the cooperative gathered at PEC headquarters in Phillips on the morning of Saturday, October 12, for breakfast, appliance recycling, and connecting with cooperative staff and fellow members.

Northcentral Recyclers had staff and trucks ready to collect various electronics and appliances to be recycled. They collected a semi load of items from members. While adults dropped off their items, kids enjoyed coloring and decorating pumpkins.

Members brought non-perishable food items for donation to St. Vincent de Paul food pantry in Phillips. The Price County Health Department was on site for a flu shot clinic and members learned about electric vehicles from fellow member Erik Langfoss, who was inside the shop with his Tesla.

PEC directors and staff enjoy preparing and serving breakfast to members and look forward to seeing more members next year!



Above right: PEC staff and board members prepared and served breakfast.

Right: Left to right, Nina Sulsdorf and Shirley Hemp of St. Vincent de Paul, Jeff Olson, PEC president/CEO, with the food drive donations.

Below: Members filled the PEC warehouse to enjoy breakfast and visit with friends and neighbors.





Fill out the form below to win one of nine Super One or Pick 'n Save gift cards. Price Electric is giving away nine \$25 gift cards to represent the nine districts in our service territory. Five winners will be selected from this magazine. Four winners will be selected from the PEC Facebook page. Return the form below or email memberservices@PriceElectric.coop by **Friday, November 15**, for your chance to win!

Name

Phone No.

Acct. No.

CIRCLE ONE:

Pick 'n Save

Super One

Please return to Price Electric Cooperative,
P.O. Box 110, Phillips, WI, 54555

CAPITAL CREDITS RETURNED TO MEMBERS THIS MONTH

Capital credits are each member's share of ownership in the cooperative. Each year the cooperative has earnings (income minus expenses). The earnings are distributed proportionately to all active cooperative members based on each member's total electricity purchases for that year.

Capital credits accumulate in an account in your name. When the cooperative's financial condition allows, the PEC Board of Directors will elect to retire, or return, capital credits via bill credit or physical check. The retirement is an actual payment back to members and former members.

If you had an active electric service with PEC in 1995 or 1996, you may be receiving a retirement, which will be listed as a line item on the statement you receive in November.

UNDERSTANDING THE CAPITAL CREDIT PROCESS



PEC tracks how much electricity you use and how much you pay for it through the year.



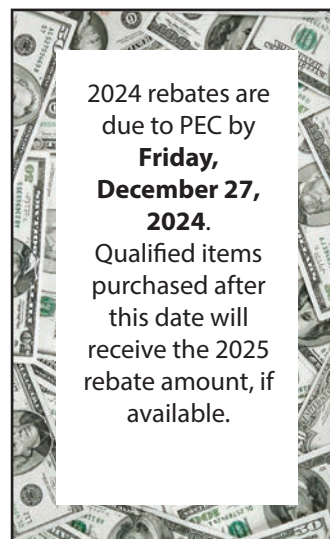
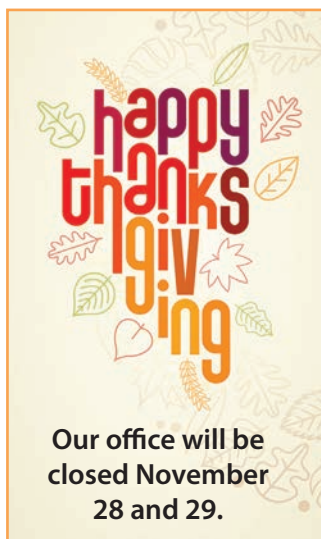
At the end of the year, PEC assesses the finances to see if there is excess revenue.



PEC allocates the excess revenue as capital credits to the members, based on electricity used.



When financial condition allows, the PEC board will retire, or pay, the capital credits to you.



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