

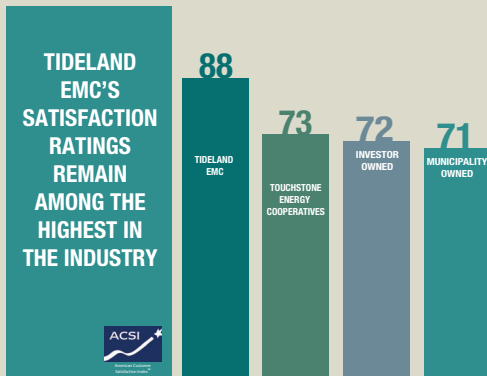
OFFICIAL NOTICE OF 2022
ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS



2021 ANNUAL REPORT TO MEMBERS

Innovation and service are the cornerstones for a bolder, brighter energy future

MEMBER SATISFACTION: *80 years of promises kept*



Rate stability continued through 2021 with a wholesale purchase power adjustment credit of \$0.00179 issued for every kilowatt hour sold during the year. As the fog of the pandemic began to lift, electric sales increased 7% over the previous year even outpacing the 10-year running annual sales average by 3%.

As we neared completion of our most recent construction work plan, which kicked off in 2017, net electric plant assets increased 25%. The result has been major infrastructure improvements that leave us better prepared to serve a growing membership with improved system reliability and greater resiliency during volatile weather. Favorable interest rates further contributed to the current period of rate stability by reducing the co-op's long-term borrowing costs. New wholesale power contracts indicate a return to peak demand management strategies that we employed in the 1980s and 1990s. Modernization of our substations and further development of smart grid technologies in the past five years have better positioned us to reap the cost-saving benefits of load reduction strategies.

OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS



J. Douglas Brinson President Clifton Paul Vice-President Mark Carawan Secretary David Ipock Treasurer Rudy Austin Garry Jordan Dawson Pugh Paul Sasnett Wayne Sawyer Charles Slade



NC Electric Cooperative's Poletop Rescue competition resumed following a pandemic hiatus. Tideland was represented by lineman Matthew Neal.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

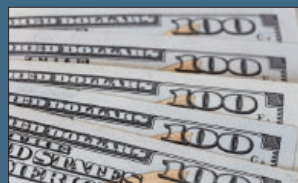
For the year ending December 31, 2021, Tideland EMC issued credits to both current and former members of the cooperative totaling \$2 million. The source of those credits was threefold:

- Wholesale power cost adjustment (WPCA) credits issued monthly totaled \$625,805 in 2021. The increase from 2020, \$440,000, was attributed to 7% higher kilowatt hour sales in 2021.
- Capital credit refunds to the estates of deceased members totaled \$580,490.
- A general retirement of capital credits in December 2021 to members who had service with the cooperative in the years 1992 and/or 1993 totaled \$800,000.

In 2021, Tideland paved the way for our members to access low interest financing for backup generators and other energy related projects with a pathway to membership in the ElecTel Cooperative Federal Credit Union.

ANNUAL MEETING GRAND PRIZE

One lucky Tideland EMC member will receive a \$500 electric bill credit. Must be present to win.



2021 HIGHLIGHTS



Bright Ideas Classroom Grants



In-person safety education



Celebrating co-op membership

- Funded 9 Bright Ideas grants totaling \$13,503 benefiting 1,198 students in local classrooms
- Awarded 8 college scholarships to graduating high school seniors
- Co-op employees experienced no lost-time injuries
- Returning to in-person public presentations, we delivered safety education to 540 participants
- In our 80th year of service, we achieved a 88% member satisfaction rating, head and shoulders above investor-owned and municipal utilities and even most co-ops

INVESTMENTS IN RESILIENCY



Merritt circuit improvements

This 3-year project culminated in the installation of 195 new poles and heaved up conductor to increase capacity and reliability in one of our fastest growing areas



34.5kV subtransmission line

In late November, crews completed the replacement of 140 aged wooden poles with ductile iron poles along the Hwy. 32 corridor in Beaufort County



Lake Phelps upgrade

Work is 86% complete to rebuild the portion of the Dowry Creek circuit that serves Lake Phelps including major agricultural loads in Washington County



Tideland hosts second NCEMC micro-grid project

NC Electric Cooperatives funded a second Tideland served site to locate a new 2 megawatt solar field and a 2.5 megawatt Tesla battery bank



WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AGAIN IN PERSON

Official Notice of Annual Meeting

You are hereby notified that the 2022 Annual Meeting of Members of Tideland Electric Membership Corporation will be held at Beaufort County Community College in Washington, NC on Thursday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m. to take action upon the following matters:

- 1) the reports of officers, directors and committees;
- 2) the election of three (3) directors of the cooperative to serve three years terms; &
- 3) the transaction of such other and further business which may come before the meeting, or any adjournment thereof.

In accordance with the Cooperative's bylaws, the nominating committee nominated the following members as candidates for seats on the Board of Directors:

District 1: Rudy Austin
District 3: Dawson Pugh
District 9: J. Douglas Brinson

There were no nominations by petition. Meeting registration will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Mark Carawan
Secretary

BALANCE SHEET

Comparative Statement of Income & Expense

ASSETS	2021	2020
Electric Plant	\$158,203,468	\$151,946,354
Less Depreciation	(33,355,044)	(32,319,827)
Net Electric Plant	124,848,424	119,626,527
Cash & Investments	20,866,392	18,203,932
Accounts Receivable	6,479,575	7,306,281
Materials, Supplies & Other Assets	2,768,117	3,389,124
Prepayments	41,157	26,466
TOTAL	\$155,003,665	\$148,552,331

LIABILITIES		
Long Term Debt	\$80,225,782	\$74,745,882
Consumer Deposits	1,038,729	1,040,830
Accounts Payable	2,855,663	5,663,550
Other Liabilities & Credits	14,226,811	13,699,783
Patronage Capital & Other Equities	56,656,680	53,402,285
TOTAL	\$155,003,665	\$148,552,331

INCOME		
Electric Sales	\$47,050,531	\$46,887,841
Misc. Revenue, Interest & Dividends	2,971,458	2,288,716
TOTAL	\$50,021,989	\$49,176,557

EXPENSE		
Purchased Power	\$25,869,274	\$26,090,279
Operations & Maintenance	7,572,766	6,293,127
Administration & General	5,830,173	5,800,518
Fixed Expenses (taxes, interest & depreciation)	6,796,282	6,758,518
TOTAL	\$46,068,495	\$44,942,442

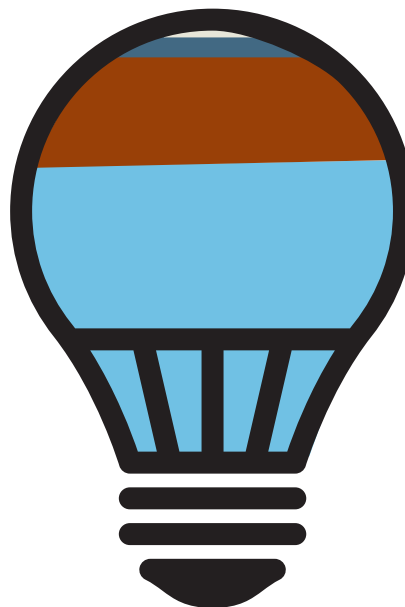
NET MARGINS	\$3,953,494	\$4,234,115
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MARGIN ALLOCATION

Allocations represent each member's share of net margins. These funds are invested in capital improvements and maintenance, reducing Tideland's borrowing costs. Allocated margins are eventually retired back to members.

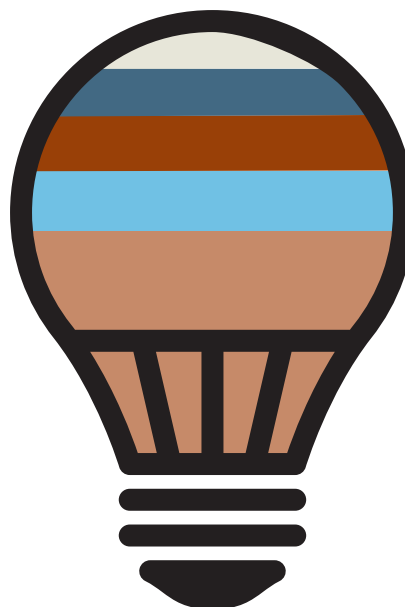
If you paid this much for power in 2021	\$1,200	\$1,800	\$2,400
Your share of member margins for 2021 is	\$78.07	\$117.10	\$156.13

WHERE EACH DOLLAR COMES FROM



2¢ Non-Operating Income	25¢ Commercial
4¢ Other	69¢ Residential

WHERE EACH DOLLAR GOES



8¢ Margins	14¢ Fixed Expense
12¢ Administrative & General	52¢ Power Costs
14¢ Operations & Maintenance	