



**Southern Iowa  
Electric Cooperative**  
A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

# The Amp

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Our mission is to serve our members and community by safely providing reliable and environmentally responsible power and other services efficiently and at a competitive price to benefit members and improve the quality of life in the areas that we serve.

Office: 22458 Highway 2, PO Box 70  
Bloomfield, IA 52537-0070  
Phone: 641-664-2277 or 800-607-2027  
Phone Payments: 800-927-5341  
Report Outages: 800-607-2027  
Call Before You Dig: 800-292-8989  
Website: www.sie.coop  
Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:00am-4:30pm  
Closed Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays

**Management:**

Greg Proctor, CEO/General Manager  
Jo Altheide, CFO/Economic Development  
Ross Hunter, COO/Systems Analyst

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**What to Do in Case of Trouble**

\*Check for blown fuses or tripped breakers.  
\*Check with your neighbors. Ask if their electricity is off and whether they have reported the outage. If not, call Southern Iowa Electric Cooperative, Inc. and report the problem 24 hours a day: 641-664-2277 or 800-607-2027.

**Service Charges**

ACH (Electronic Payment)	No Charge
Bill Collection	\$ 50
Disconnect	\$ 50
Posting	\$ 50
Returned Check	\$ 30
Reconnect	\$ 75
Trip Charge	\$ 50
Meter Tampering	\$150
Overtime Service Call	\$150

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

**What is Grid Resiliency?**

Resiliency of the grid is one of the most popular concepts being talked about in the electric industry today. This concept recently made headlines in the wake of Hurricanes Irma and Maria, which caused extraordinary damage to Puerto Rico’s electric grid resulting in the longest sustained outage in U.S. history. Lack of resilience became the go-to phrase to describe Puerto Rico’s grid. Here in Iowa, what does grid resiliency mean for you?

Resiliency is many things – it’s reliability in your electric service, it’s our ability to efficiently restore your power, it’s being able to meet the demands of new technology, and it’s how we serve you with various generation sources without skipping a beat. Ultimately, resilience is how we deliver on our promise to improve the quality of life for our member-owners.

When it comes to having a resilient electric grid, it begins with a system that is designed and built to withstand high winds, powerful storms, cybersecurity threats and other disruptions that could result in outages. A resilient grid is also flexible and adaptable by allowing different types of generation – such as wind, solar, coal and hydro – to seamlessly work together to provide you with safe and reliable power. The way our systems react to advancements in technology – from demand response investments to serving the needs of electric vehicles – all factor into the resilience of our grid.

Resiliency is a 24/7, 365-days-a-year task. Whether it’s the power lines, substations or generation facilities on our grid, it takes proactive maintenance and investment to keep them running smoothly. With thousands of consumers without power for months, the lack of resiliency in Puerto Rico’s power grid wasn’t solely caused by hurricane damage; it was the result of years of neglect in taking care of their system and preparing for a worst-case scenario.

In a similar way to how we maintain our vehicles with regular oil changes, inspections and tire rotations, a grid must also be properly maintained. Throughout the year, we regularly conduct pole and line inspections. Our goal is to find a problem before it becomes one. For example, if we find a weak pole that has damage from termites, we replace that pole. Doing so ensures that pole is as strong – or as resilient – as it can be.

Living in Iowa, we know that significant power outages can occur, especially as we enter spring and summer storm season. Whether we’re at the mercy of tornadoes or river flooding, we have confidence in the resiliency of our system to recover from the situation with as little disruption as possible.

In the dictionary, resilience is defined as “the ability to bounce back, recover quickly and go back into shape or position after being stretched.” When it comes to providing our member-owners with resilient service, this is what we work toward – day in and day out!



## Do You Know These People?

One advantage of belonging to a rural electric cooperative is receiving your share of Capital Credits. Any earnings left over after all expenses and/or reserves are paid are allocated back to members as Capital Credits. Capital Credits represent your share of the ownership and become part of the capital investment in your cooperative. Capital Credit allocations are based on the cooperative principle of business at cost. The following is a list of former members whose checks have either been returned to us or not cashed. If you know any of these people and they were members in 1996, 1997, 1999 or 2016 please have them contact our office so we can refund their capital credits to them.

ALLMAN, ELAINE  
 ARNOLD, MRS GLEN  
 ASHLOCK, RITA J  
 AUGSPURGER, BONITA  
 BACHMANN, OSCAR  
 BARKER, QUINTIN OR JENNIFER  
 BARKER, ROBERT M  
 BENSON, LLOYD L  
 BIBB, DIANA  
 BOOTON, JOHN  
 BRIDE JR, DANNY D  
 BRIDE, MRS VERNETTE  
 BROWN, MRS GERRY (SARAH)  
 BUBAN, DEBRA  
 BURKHART JR, HOWARD  
 BURKHART, HOWARD D  
 CARLO, WENDY  
 CLARK, MICHAEL R  
 CLAYWORTH, BECKY  
 COWGER, KIMBERLY R  
 CRAIG, ROBERT A  
 DALEY, KATIE  
 DANIELS, SHELLY  
 DARLING, ROBERT  
 DAVIS SR, DOUGLAS  
 DAVIS, ELIZABETH  
 DAVISON, BRAD  
 DEJOODE, KARI  
 DILLE, TIM W  
 DOWNING, LOWELL  
 ELLIOTT, CANDY  
 FENTON, ELLEN  
 FERREL, PHIL  
 FORD, THOMAS C  
 FORT, JEFF  
 FRANKLIN, GORDON  
 FREETLY, RONALD E/D FOLKER  
 GOODEN, MARY  
 GOODSON, THOMAS  
 GOODWIN, JOE M  
 GOODWIN, MICHAEL OR CAROL  
 GRINSTEAD, TINA M  
 HEIDEBRINK, VIRGIL  
 HELMICK, JEANETTA  
 HERDRICH, JOHN  
 HORNBAKER, MRS PHIL (MARY)  
 HORNING, LEONARD  
 HOWARD, EVELYN  
 HOWE, TERRI  
 HULL, JEREMY  
 HUNTER, STEPHEN  
 IRWIN, REBECCA JANE  
 JACOBS, STEVEN  
 JOHNSON, BRUCE D  
 JOHNSON, GLEN GARY  
 JOHNSTON, RUBY  
 JONES, MICHELLE  
 KETCHUM, ROBERT ROLAND

KIRCHNER, KELLY LYNN  
 KITZMAN, RICK  
 KONYA, ROBERT  
 LANE, MRS ISABEL  
 LAU, CLARENCE R  
 LAWRENCE, DAVE W  
 LAWSON, AMANDA M  
 LYONS, DILLON  
 MARTIN, CAROL  
 MARTINEZ, HECTOR  
 MASON, JANICE  
 MCDOWELL, PATRICK  
 MCVEY, WILMA  
 MCWHIRTER, ED  
 MILLARD JR, FRED  
 MINESINGER, SAMUEL A  
 MONDABOUGH, TRACY  
 MORROW FARMS  
 NELL, SCOTT  
 NELSON, DANIEL A  
 OLINGER, JAMES  
 ORRIS, TED  
 PITMAN, DEANNA  
 REISCH, TIERNEY  
 RENDON, ARMANDO  
 RICE JR, MRS EARL  
 RICHARDSON, RAENA  
 ROBINSON, BOB  
 ROBINSON, ROSS  
 RUPE, WILLIAM H  
 SANDY, MELVIN  
 SANFORD ESTATE, R J  
 SHIVELY, FRANK  
 SMITH, BARBARA  
 SMITHHART, DIANNA  
 SNOOK, KRIS  
 SORENSEN, JOHN F  
 STAJCAR, DAVE  
 STEEN, DAVID W  
 STRUNK, DAVID & ANNETTE  
 SWOPE, PENNY  
 TEETER, CLYDE  
 TOLLE, RANDALL  
 VAN VELSOR, TRACI  
 VAN ZOMEREN, GERRIT  
 VEATCH, MRS DON  
 WARD, RONALD K  
 WARNER, TONY  
 WELCH, KENNETH  
 WELLS, MRS HOLLIS  
 WIERSEMA, DALE L  
 WOODS, MRS ROLAND (BETTY)  
 WORTH, KENNETH  
 ZANGER, RALPHA  
 ZYBARTH, BRIAN M



## Congratulations to our 2018 Scholarship Winners!



### Joy Westercamp...

Daughter of Steven & Christine Westercamp of Farmington. Joy is graduating from Iowa Connections Academy and plans to attend Iowa State University this fall to study biology.



### Klaire Fipps...

Daughter of John & Sharry Fipps of Drakesville. Klaire is graduating from Davis County High School and plans to attend the University of Iowa this fall to study pre-med.



### Joseph Voyles...

Son of John & Heather Voyles of Blakesburg. Joseph is graduating from Eddyville-Blakesburg-Fremont H.S. and plans to attend Iowa State University this fall to study biology.