

Member meetings for 2020 Rate Case set

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Powder River Energy is seeking a 4.23% rate increase in a general rate case with the Wyoming Public Service Commission (PSC).

Changes affect residential and industrial classes. A PRECorp Residential member using the average amount of 1,175 kWh, will see an \$11.23 increase in their monthly bill, which includes a \$1.50 increase in the basic charge. The case is being filed in order to capture fixed costs being lost due to declining sales, and to bring the basic charge closer to cost of service.

PRECorp is seeking to change the billing of Residential Seasonal services, for example, stock well services, from annual to monthly billing. This change will take effect with the date of the rate change, September 1, 2020.

PRECorp is also filing to reintegrate much of the Coal Bed Methane (CBM) classes into General Service and Large Power classes in acknowledgement of less dedicated use of system investments by CBM members.

The filing requests PSC approval and implementation in September 2020.

Member meetings available

Members who would like to meet in-person with PRE-Corp staff can do so at one of three public availability sessions. Dates and times are as follows:

- Tuesday, February 18: 4:30 p.m., Gillette PRECorp office
- Tuesday, March 17: 4:30 p.m., Sheridan PRECorp office
- Tuesday, April 21: 4:30 p.m., Sundance PRECorp office

More information on the web

Go to <u>www.precorp.coop/2020-rate-case</u> for complete documentation in the case file, rate calculators to predict what your bill would be based on your usage, and a portal for asking questions. Call PRECorp Member Service at 1-800-442-3630 for more information.

FEBRUARY 2020

Events calendar

The PRECorp Board of Directors meets the third Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. at rotating locations in Sundance, Gillette, and Sheridan. Meetings might be moved to avoid conflicts with state or national cooperative events. The tentative dates for 2020 are as follows:

February 18 - Gillette March 17 - Sheridan April 21 - Sundance May 19 - Gillette June 16 - Sheridan July 21 - Sundance August 18 - Gillette September 15 - Sheridan October 20 - Sundance November 17 - Gillette December 15- Sheridan

Other events to remember:

- Monday, February 17 All Employee Meeting, PRECorp Offices closed
- Wednesday, February 19: Telephone Town Hall, 6:30 p.m., call 1-855-312-2107.
- Friday, February 28: Application deadline for PRECorp Scholarship and Swanda Scholarship. Swanda Scholarship applicants must be Crook County high school seniors entering ag-related studies in postsecondary schools.

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PRECorp marks 75 years of service in 2020

This year, Powder River Energy Corporation marks its 75th year of serving our members in northeast Wyoming. Members will notice the special logo on our printed materials ranging from our newsletters to envelopes and more.

Many of our long-time members recall that the name Powder River Energy Corporation (PRECorp) is only 25 years old, with the merger of Tri-County Electric Association (TCEA) and Sheridan-Johnson Rural Electric Association (S-J REA) in 1995. However, those two cooperatives were 50 years old when they merged a quarter-century ago. So, doing the math, put us at 75 years of service to our electric cooperative members. PRECorp will stay focused this year on the core business of providing safe, reliable, and affordable power to our members. But we will take a little extra time to reflect on our past and look toward our future.

Throughout the year, we will commemorate the anniversary with special articles in the PRECorp News, Power Lines, and social media. In particular, we will focus on the publication of a 75th Anniversary book, written and compiled by local author and researcher Shelley Ritthaler. There will also be a celebratory event in connection with the Annual Meeting on Saturday, August 22, in Sundance. Be sure to watch for announcements about this event as the date approaches and make plans to attend.

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Please note: Powder River Energy Corporation offices will be closed for Presidents' Day – Monday, February 17, 2020 (All-employee meeting)

For more energy safety and efficiency tips follow us on Facebook!

For outages affecting 250 meters or more, PRECorp will make every effort to post updates on the restoration to Facebook and Twitter.



Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Placing hot food in the refrigerator makes the appliance work harder than necessary, using more energy. Allow food to cool down before you place it in the fridge.

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