

2023 ANNUAL REPORT

DEAR MEMBER,

Once again, Craighead Electric Cooperative Corporation continued its commitment to member service in a financially responsible manner. Our operating margins of \$7,695,113 were adequate to meet the requirements of mortgage agreements. Member equity in the system was 39.09% percent at the end of the year. Members were refunded \$1,369,574 in cash to redeem patronage capital credits. The 2007/2021 redemption brings the total capital credits refunded to members to \$28,518,697.

Thomas, Speight, & Noble, CPA audited our financial records. You are welcome to examine that report.

System statistics of interest include: average meters served, 31,788, a net increase of 585 meters; more than 5,009 miles of power lines; 564,915,406 kilowatt-hours used by members, down 4,196,524 kilowatt-hours from the previous year; a system peak demand of 139,676 kilowatts, recorded in the month of June; and a net plant valuation of \$256,008,735 at year's end.

Additional financial data and operations information is available in this annual report. If you have any questions concerning your electric cooperative, we are happy to answer them.

Jen Loref Terry Rock, Chairman

Len B. Nall, Secretary-Treasure

eremiah Sloan, CEO

OFFICIAL NOTICE: ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Membership Meeting of Craighead Electric Cooperative Corporation will be held on Thursday, August 22, 2024, at the headquarters in Jonesboro, Arkansas, beginning at 1:00 p.m., for the following purposes:

- 1. To pass on reports for the previous fiscal year;
- To elect one director for the cooperative, to serve a term of six years each; and,
- 3. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

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Len B. Nall, Secretary-Treasurer

Dated at Jonesboro, Arkansas, this 23rd day of July, 2024.



PROGRAM

Registration: Business Session: 12:30 - 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m.

This will be a business session only. No attendance prizes will be awarded and there will be no entertainment.





Craighead Electric Cooperative Corporation

TOGETHER, WE'RE BETTER CONNECTED

Craighead Electric Cooperative Corporation was founded on a mission ignited with purpose — to power every corner of our service area with reliable, affordable and responsible energy. Today, we continue that calling while weaving a network of connections — pole-by-pole, line-by-line and fiber-by-fiber to the communities that we serve. At Craighead Electric Cooperative, it's our local, hometown way because we know that together, we're better connected.



That connection isn't just metaphorical. We've witnessed it in the miles of fiber-optic cable installed, bringing the promise of em**power**, Delivered by Craighead Electric high-speed internet to underserved communities. We've seen it in the faces of students, now able to access online resources with ease; in the eyes of entrepreneurs, whose businesses are blooming with newfound connectivity; and in the hearts of patients, now able to receive healthcare through telemedicine advancements. This connection has fueled our drive to do more. But our story isn't just about power lines and wired connections. It's about connecting our communities. We see it in the countless volunteer hours Craighead Electric Cooperative employees dedicate to local events, in the support offered to struggling families, and in the partnerships forged with schools, businesses and nonprofits. Our cooperative spirit reminds us that true connection transcends technology.

This year, we saw increased challenges facing Craighead Electric Cooperative to maintain a balance of power with a diverse energy mix of resources. But through it all, our commitment to providing

reliable, affordable and responsible power for our members remained steadfast. We're continually striving to maximize our power supply diversity by balancing traditional baseload resources while integrating intermittent forms of generation.

At Craighead Electric Cooperative, we live by the Seven Cooperative Principles that are not merely words on a page. They are at the core of our cooperative and connect us in every way. They are the hands that get the lights restored after storms, the smiles that brighten community events and the collective voice that advocates for every single member.

At the heart of it all, we are all connected. At Craighead Electric Cooperative, we are your neighbors, your friends, your family and your community partners. United by a shared purpose and looking toward a brighter future of boundless opportunities, together, we're better connected.





OFFICERS & DIRECTORS



Terry Rorex Chairman



Keith Mosbey Vice Chairman



Len B. Nall Secretary-Treasurer



Bill Elliott Director



Dwight England Director



Steve Kueter Director

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CRAIGHEAD ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION

| REVENUE AND EXPENSE STATEMENT* As of December 31 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| REVENUES | | | |
| Electric energy sales | \$68,603,377 | \$72,873,273 | \$71,400,415 |
| Other electric revenue | 2,807,430 | 4,409,738 | 5,305,059 |
| Total Operating Revenue | \$71,410,807 | \$77,283,011 | \$76,705,474 |
| EXPENSES | | | |
| Purchased power | \$42,045,432 | \$45,606,636 | \$36,860,285 |
| Interest on debt to RUS | 3,845,011 | 3,950,778 | 5,065,919 |
| Depreciation / amortization | 9,679,249 | 10,180,881 | 10,678,841 |
| Operation / maintenance | 7,990,530 | 9,407,508 | 11,774,121 |
| Consumer accounting / collecting / information | 2,818,997 | 3,128,158 | 3,114,415 |
| Administrative / general Taxes | 4,362,071 | 4,720,551 | 5,377,576 |
| Dther operating deductions | 6,390 42,683 | 3,420 21,978 | 3,260 |
| Total Expenses | \$70,790,363 | \$77,019,910 | \$72,907,961 |
| MARGINS | | | |
| Dperating margins | \$620,444 | \$263,101 | \$3,797,513 |
| Other margins and capital credits | 1,146,505 | 907,324 | 1,176,873 |
| Non-operating revenues | 4,144,371 | 2,083,666 | 2,720,728 |
| Total Margins | \$5,911,320 | \$3,254,091 | \$7,695,114 |
| * As reported to National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation | | | |
| BALANCE SHEET* As of December 31 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
| ASSETS | | | |
| Cash on hand | \$13,849,813 | \$16,793,970 | \$25,604,796 |
| nvestments | 23,580,267 | 29,637,162 | 31,995,813 |
| nvestments in associated organizations | 21,697,180 | 21,295,172 | 21,510,034 |
| Accounts receivable | 7,099,767 | 6,606,821 | 5,730,669 |
| nventory | 3,065,938 | 5,526,763 | 4,641,348 |
| Advance payments on insurance, etc. | 997,947 | 308,058 | 342,077 |
| nterest & miscellaneous deferred debits | 1,613,580 | 1,485,254 | 1,284,658 |
| Net utility plant Total Assets | 240,105,219 \$312,009,711 | 245,739,275 \$327,392,475 | 256,008,736 |
| | \$312,009,711 | <i>\$321,392,413</i> | \$547,110,129 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | |
| Debt to RUS and / or CFC | \$164,473,096 | \$179,803,299 | \$193,825,255 |
| Accounts payable Other current & accrued liabilities | 2,550,814 6,470,455 | 2,051,292 4,034,473 | 1,426,275 |
| Deposits & advances | 2,131,464 | 1,850,981 | 4,052,259 |
| Viscellaneous deferred credits | 12,372,362 | 10,188,106 | 10,540,901 |
| Total Liabilities | \$187,998,191 | \$197,928,151 | \$211,439,493 |
| MEMBERS' EQUITY | | | |
| Nembership fees | \$117,899 | \$97,564 | \$94,808 |
| Total margins | 24,779,080 | 22,121,850 | 30,460,474 |
| Capital credits | 93,408,127 | 96,363,319 | 94,350,234 |
| Other equities | 5,706,414 | 10,881,592 | 10,773,123 |
| Total Net Worth | 124,011,520 | 129,464,325 | 135,678,639 |
| Total Liabilities & Net Worth As reported to National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation | \$312,009,711 | \$327,392,476 | \$347,118,132 |
| As reported to National Karal ounties Cooperative Finance Corporation | | | |
| THE REVENUE DOLLAR As of December 31 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
| HOW IT WAS EARNED | | | |
| Farm / residential | \$44,972,452 | \$48,537,762 | \$46,058,002 |
| Commercial / industrial | 19,120,912 | 19,606,974 | 19,502,404 |
| rrigation pumps | 4,360,905 | 4,573,936 | 5,681,584 |
| Street / highway lighting | 149,108 | 154,601 | 158,425 |
| Dther electric revenue Total | 2,807,430 \$71,410,807 | 4,409,738 \$77,283,011 | 5,305,059 \$76,705,474 |
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| HOW IT WAS USED | \$42,045,432 | \$45,606,636 | \$36,860,285 |
| nterest | \$42,045,432 | 3,950,778 | 5,065,919 |
| Deration / maintenance | 7,990,530 | 9,407,508 | 11,774,121 |
| Depreciation / amortization | 9,679,249 | 10,180,881 | 10,678,841 |
| Administrative / general | 4,362,071 | 4,720,551 | 5,377,576 |
| Consumer accounting / collecting / information | 2,818,997 | 3,128,158 | 3,114,415 |
| laxes and a second s | 6,390 | 3,420 | 3,260 |
| Aiscellaneous | 42,683 | 21,978 | 33,544 |
| Dperating margins | 620,444 | 263,101 | 3,797,513 |
| Total | \$71,410,807 | \$77,283,011 | \$76,705,474 |
| SYSTEM STATISTICS As of December 31 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
| tom | | | |
| tem Average number of meters billed per month | 31,932 | 31,203 | 31,788 |
| Average number of meters per mile of line | 6.4 | 6.3 | 6.3 |



Bobby Wade Director



Jeremiah Sloan CEO



| Total kWh bought by cooperative members | 532,317,820 | 569,111,930 | 564,915,406 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Average monthly kWh usage by all members | 1,389 | 1,520 | 1,481 |
| Average monthly farm / home kWh usage | 1,367 | 1,376 | 1,308 |
| Average monthly revenue per member billed | \$186.36 | \$206.40 | \$201.09 |
| Average revenue per kWh sold to members | 13.42 | 13.58 | 13.58 |
| Average revenue per farm / home kWh sold | 11.60 | 12.77 | 12.83 |
| Average power cost adjustment per kWh sold | 16.6 mills | 19.4 mills | (6.74) mills |
| Total kWh bought by cooperative | 625,442,258 | 621,237,533 | 595,377,010 |
| Total cost of power bought by cooperative | \$42,045,432 | \$45,606,636 | \$36,860,284 |
| Average cost per kWh bought by cooperative | 67.23 | 73.41 | 61.91 |
| Power (kWh) required for system operation | 93,124,438 | 52,125,603 | 30,461,604 |
| System peak demand (kW) | 184,835 | 187,607 | 139,676 |
| Month of system peak demand | March | December | June |
| Total capital borrowed from RUS | \$20,000,000 | \$20,000,000 | \$20,000,000 |
| Total amount repaid to RUS | \$5,617,483 | \$4,669,797 | \$5,978,043 |
| Total interest paid to RUS | \$3,845,010 | \$3,950,777 | \$5,065,919 |
| Counties served and property taxes paid: | | | |
| Craighead County | \$674,239 | \$810,389.54 | \$836,761 |
| Crittenden County | 79,788 | 97,260.89 | 101,101 |
| Greene County | 423,483 | 501,620.87 | 527,189 |
| Independence County | 6,826 | 8,303.57 | 8,768 |
| Lawrence County | 327,615 | 391,810.24 | 411,014 |
| Poinsett County | 225,825 | 273,275.78 | 282,181 |
| Randolph County | 8,872.2 | 10,903.24 | 11,430 |
| Sharp County | 2,450.53 | 3,046.53 | 3,172 |
| Total property taxes paid | 1,749,098 | 2,096,611 | 2,181,616 |
| Other taxes paid by the cooperative | 6,390 | 3,420 | 3,260 |
| Total taxes paid by the cooperative | \$1,755,488 | \$2,100,031 | \$2,184,876 |

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Average number of meters per mile of line

Average miles of power line in operation