

Watts Working

Spring Sun Shines on SunPath Community Solar® Farm

These are the days North Carolinians get to brag about - not too hot, not too cold and with sunlight touching more moments of every day. As the warmth and promise of spring settle in, Randolph EMC is reminded of why we recently built the SunPath Community Solar® farm for our cooperative members.

“I appreciate Randolph Electric’s efforts to incorporate a program that supports renewable and clean energy.”

Randolph EMC is member owned, not shareholder owned, which means the programs and services offered reflect the needs and interests of our members, the people we serve. We study trends in the power industry, adopting technology and business practices that make sense for our members. One practice generating buzz in our industry and state is solar energy. In fact, North Carolina now ranks fourth in the nation for installed solar capacity, and our members want to be a part of this momentum.

The problem is that solar energy is out-of-reach for some people. Rooftop installations can be costly, hard to maintain, not ideal for homes in some locations and not available to renters. But electric cooperatives are problem solvers; we were founded eight decades ago by our predecessors in this community when no one else would build the lines to serve this area. Now we’re committed

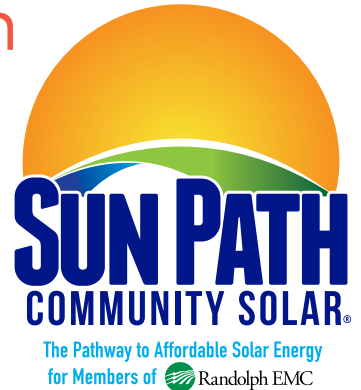
to breaking down the barriers associated with solar energy to give our members what they want.

Our community solar farm brings hundreds of solar panels to a central location where the system can be easily connected to the grid. Any member who wants to offset their electricity use with solar energy can participate with a monthly or full-term subscription. Participants will receive credit monthly for their share of the electricity produced by the solar panels.

“I chose to participate in SunPath Solar because as a teacher, I understand the environmental benefits of solar energy and appreciate Randolph Electric’s efforts to incorporate a program that supports renewable and clean energy,” said Mary Forkner, a Randolph EMC member-owner who has subscribed to SunPath since August 2016.

Randolph EMC is leading the industry with this innovative new concept. But to us, it’s just what we do - matching member needs with technology and strong business practices to improve the quality of life in our communities.

Visit RandolphEMC.com to download our brochure, see how community solar compares with owning your own solar panels, and view SunPath’s real-time production. Give us a call at 1-800-672-8212 if you have questions or would like to subscribe to one or more of the remaining panels.



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This Earth Day, start saving energy & money!

Three quick tips toward energy efficiency

If you want to celebrate Earth Day on April 22, start by making your home more energy efficient with these three tips:



1. Look around your home for no-cost ways to be efficient:

- Close the curtains in the summer and open them in the winter.
- Turn off your computers overnight.
- Also turn off video game consoles when they're not being used. Better yet, keep them off and send the kids outside to play baseball!

2. Look for small steps you can take and DIY:

- Caulk around drafty windows.
- Check the attic for the correct amount of insulation.
- Switch to LED light bulbs.
- Plant a deciduous tree on the sunny side of your house; in a few years the leaves will cool your home against the sun in summer, then fall off to warm it in the winter.
- If you have a major appliance – like a refrigerator, washing machine or dryer – that's more than 10 years old, don't repair it. The energy efficiency of a newer model will likely pay for itself with energy savings in a few years.

3. Visit **Randolph EMC.com** to monitor your electricity daily and check out the efficiency analysis tools and apps that can help you save money on your electric bill.

survey

This spring, REMC will partner with TSE Services to conduct member satisfaction surveys.

You may be contacted by phone between April and June and asked to participate.

The feedback gathered in these surveys helps REMC gauge its performance and improve products and services for you in the future.

We appreciate your time and thank you for sharing your thoughts!

APPLY
NOW

Grants Available for Teachers & Nonprofits

*Apply for a Chance to Receive
Up to \$2,000 per Project!*



K-12 educators are eligible to apply for grants up to \$2,000 for your creative, innovative projects!

Applications will be accepted April 1 – September 22, 2017.



REMC's People Helping People is accepting applications for its Community Grants program through May 31, 2017. Nonprofits with projects that benefit REMC members are encouraged to apply.

Learn More at RandolphEMC.com!

LOCAL LINEMEN, LOCAL POWER:

Celebrate your REMC linemen on April 10— National Lineman Appreciation Day!

“Linemen are first responders. They’re out in all kinds of inclement weather and at all hours. We depend on them to be the front line,” said Dale Lambert, CEO (and former lineman) of RandolphEMC.

As a local business, Randolph EMC’s employees, including our linemen, live in the communities we serve. You’ll see them not only restoring power, but also at the store, at church or picking up their kids from school, and you can feel confident that they – like you – want power to be restored to our community as quickly and safely as possible.

When conditions are worst, lineworkers are at their best Electricity is delivered along a series of connected wires and poles, and when that connection is interrupted by something like a falling tree branch, an animal or faulty equipment, it takes knowledge, skill and muscle to rebuild. Our crews are

always ready. In the middle of the night, on holidays, and in snow, ice, floods and extreme heat, they are dedicated to restoring power to members, no matter the conditions.

“All our cooperative employees do a phenomenal job every day to serve our members, but it takes a unique person to do the work of a lineman, and they’re looked at as heroes,” Lambert said.

Join us, and #ThankaLineman

On April 10, 2017, take a moment to show your gratitude to the dedicated crews who build, maintain and repair the electric system that powers our lives. On social media, use the hashtag **#ThankaLineman!**



Swap Shop

For Sale

Hydraulic scissor lift table, capacity 500 lb. Table top 48" x 60", lift height 44". Used as handicapped lift for wheelchair, \$200 336-672-1328.

Dark brown vinyl recliner, \$75 cash. 336-301-2365 before 8 pm.

Bass Buggy 18' Pontoon Boat with 150HP 2-Cycle motor with fish finder, electric trolling motor, large bait tank, Bimini top, trailer with new tires & new spare. \$3,000. 336-302-7993.

Western Paperback books. 156 Jake Logan by Tabor Evans. 93 Longarm by Wesley Ellis. \$.50 each. 336-498-2561.

Classic 1979 Airstream Trailer 31ft. Well cared for. Rear bath, twin beds with double mattresses. Kitchen with microwave oven, living-dining area. Blankets, bed linens, pots, pans & cutlery included. \$12,000 firm. 910-673-8354.

Early 1950's Craftsman band saw, table saw, planer, sander, & drill press, 3 radial arm saws, scroll saw, large table saw. Two all wood bedroom suits, small roll top oak desk, oak TV cabinet, oak dining table with 6 Queen Anne chairs, upright freezer, 2 sofas, 2 chairs, outdoor furniture, white rattan & upholstered six piece sunroom furniture. Call or text 336-302-3701 for prices & pictures.

Natural wood baby crib, \$50. New wheelbarrow, \$50. Sears propane grill, never used, \$100. 336-409-5450.

Aqua-Tech Hot Tub, EC, \$750. 336-629-3477 or 336-318-2245.

Two lift recliners, \$250 each. National Geographic's, years 1961–2000. Some leather bound without ads, some in six months holders, \$25. 910-571-0144.

Whirlpool dryer, works great, \$200 obo. Kenmore glass top stove, two years old, \$200 obo. 336-312-4453.

2016 hay, second cut of the year. Hay has been in barn, no rain, 4x4 round rolls. \$30 per roll. 336-629-6138.

1990 Ford F-700 Dump Truck with 14ft dump bed. \$3,000 firm. 910-464-3459.

1996 Dodge Dakota V-6, runs but needs transmission work \$1,000. 1975 F-600 Dump truck with 330 engine, runs but needs work \$1,500. 336-873-7805.

Heirloom Quilts made in the early 1940's. \$125 each OBO. 336-629-2560.

Cleaned deer corn, 50 lb. bags, \$6 each. Cleaned Feed Wheat, 50 lb. bags, \$8 each. Cleaned cracked corn, 50 lb. bags, \$6.50 each. 336-622-2480 or 336-736-0390.

New handmade quilts, full, queen, & king. Power Booster for RV hookup. Shoes & Western boots. 15 knives for \$100. 336-625-4548.

FOR RENT: 3 bedroom mobile home located at 129 Nathan Rd in Carthage, \$475 per month. Mobile home lot on Nathan Rd, \$125 per month. 910-464-3459.

WANTED: Will pay cash for junk cars & trucks. 336-581-3423.

Members, email Swap Shop items to General@RandolphEMC.com

A Word About Randolph Electric

From CEO Dale Lambert

HERE TO SERVE OUR MEMBER-OWNERS



Dear Members,

One of the realities of life is moving to different locations. Moving brings with it a mix of emotions, excitement, anxiety, hope, disappointment and even fear, not to mention all the physical hard work that comes along with it.

I Googled how many times on average a person moves in their lifetime and received a wide range of answers. But the overall consensus was around eleven times. Since the number of times I have moved is much less than eleven, there are apparently a lot of people who have moved many more times than the average.

We know how many members move into and out of our service area each month. In 2016, over 4,700 members either moved onto or away from our system. That means around 18 percent of the Randolph EMC membership were in transit in 2016.

When a new member establishes service with Randolph EMC, it's highly likely they are joining us from another type of utility, and it can be challenging to educate those new members about the cooperative difference. If they previously received power from an investor-owned utility (IOU) and moved onto our system, instead of being viewed as a just a customer, they are now viewed

as an owner—a distinction that our more seasoned members have come to realize and appreciate.

The primary purpose for an IOU is to generate profit for their shareholders. Many of the stockholders may not even live in the communities served by the utility. But as a member-owner of your power company, you are at the heart of everything we do. While Randolph EMC must generate enough revenue to cover our costs, profit is not our primary motive. Most other businesses don't return money back to their customers when the revenue collected exceeds their expenses for the year, but that's just what Randolph EMC does. For the last several years, more than 97 percent of members have received a Capital Credits check or bill credit that represents their share of ownership in the co-op!

Our No. 1 priority is serving you and your neighbors to the high standards you expect, and that covers a lot of ground. Whether it's greeting our members with a smile when they come to the local office to pay their bill or offering tools to help you monitor and manage your energy to save money on your bill (more examples of differences between your local co-op and an IOU), our vision statement captures the essence of what we seek to achieve every day: **Exceptional Service, Empowered Members.**

Our employee team is making an effort to deliver value to our member-owners by providing solutions for your energy needs. Whether it's responding to widespread outages from a storm, implementing new technology so members can closely track their energy use, offering the opportunity to participate in a community solar project at economical pricing, or providing payment flexibility through our FlexPay prepaid electricity program, we work for you.

To take it a step further, our mission statement spells out our purpose for coming to work every day:

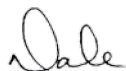
Randolph EMC seeks to deliver superior energy solutions to improve our members' quality of life by:

- **Providing safe, reliable and affordable energy**
- **Offering services that empower our members**
- **Strengthening our communities**
- **Practicing environmental responsibility**
- **Implementing innovative technologies**
- **Having a dedicated team of employees and directors**

I encourage you to take the time to think about what it means to be both an owner and a member of your electric cooperative. If you're one of the members called in our upcoming member satisfaction survey, please participate. Attending one of our quarterly REConnect member meetings and/or the Annual Meeting are also good ways to learn about, become involved in and offer feedback for this business you own.

I've made the statement before that we're not perfect and may fall short at times. But your employee team and Board of Directors know our sole purpose for existing: to serve you and strive to exceed your expectations.

Cooperatively Yours,



Dale F. Lambert
Chief Executive Officer



Randolph Electric Membership Corporation provides safe and reliable power with exceptional value to more than 31,500 member accounts in Randolph, Moore, Montgomery, Chatham and Alamance counties.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Electric Service

Asheboro (336) 625-5177
..... (800) 672-8212
Robbins: (910) 948-3401
..... (800) 868-7014
Report Outage (877) REMC-OFF
..... (877) 736-2633
Account Info
& Bill Payments: (877) 534-2319
Business Hours: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, M-F

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District Nominating, Credentials & Election Committees Appointed

Pursuant to Section 3.03. of the Bylaws of the Cooperative, the Nominating Committees for Districts 2, 4, and 7, from which Directors will be elected at the Annual Meeting, have been appointed. The members that have been appointed to serve on those respective Nominating Committees will meet at the Asheboro headquarters office of Randolph EMC, located in Asheboro, N.C., at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, May 1, 2017, to nominate a candidate who will run for the Board of Directors from each district. All three District Nominating Committee meetings will be held on the same evening.

The Credentials and Election Committee, pursuant to Section 2.08 of the Bylaws of the Cooperative, will also meet on Monday, May 1, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the office of Randolph EMC in Asheboro, N.C. It is the duty of the Credentials and Election Committee to establish and approve the manner of conducting member registration and voting, to pass upon all questions that may arise with respect to the registration of members, count all ballots cast in any election, rule on the validity of any ballots cast, and to rule upon any other questions, protests or objections affecting the results of the election. The members listed below make up the 2017 committees.

2017 Nominating Committee Members

District 2: Wright	District 4: Bowman	District 7: Phillips
James F. Gann	Jeff L. Brantley	Sue S. Copelan
B. Douglas Hudson	David J. Grantham	Russell Cole Seawell
Edward Rensh Lavelle	Ruby Lucas Hunter	Mark Reynolds Purvis
William S. Parks Jr.	Tommy Johnson	Tommy M. Upchurch
Dean Sexton	Walker B. Moffitt	Vergil L. Shamberger

2017 Credentials & Election Committee

E. Bernard Beck	Charles L. Kemp	C. Lowell Russell
Ledford Brady	Wayne D. Lahmeyer	Richard D. Seawell
Philip R. Brown	Bradley Lanier	Jeffrey Clay Sugg
Mary Priscilla Clay	Eric Lee McInnis	Jeff Webb
Sam L. Coble	Beatrice C. Morehead	Barry Millard Wright
Yates M. Hussey	Bernard Purvis	

Randolph EMC Board of Directors



James Andrews
District 1



Larry Routh
District 3



Delbert Cranford
District 5



Sue Spencer
District 6
Secretary-Treasurer



Steve Harris
District 8



Billy Maness
District 9

Randolph EMC Directorate Districts

The election for Directorate Districts 2, 4 & 7 will be held at the Annual Meeting on June 16, 2017.



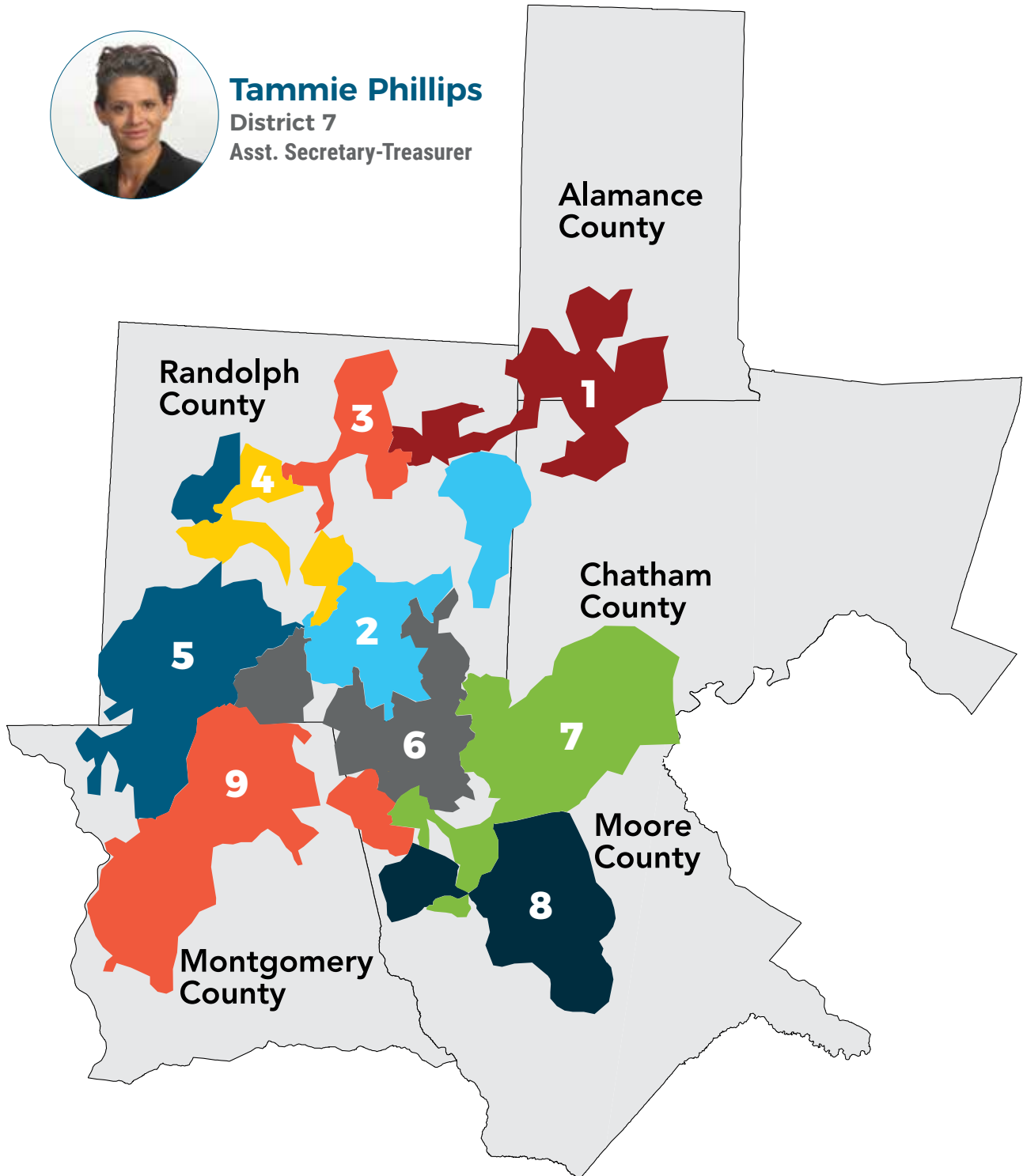
Bob Wright
District 2
President



Jerry Bowman
District 4
Vice President



Tammie Phillips
District 7
Asst. Secretary-Treasurer



BYLAWS Relevant to the Qualifications, Nominations and Elections of Members to the Board of Directors

SECTION 3.02. QUALIFICATIONS

The persons named as directors in the Articles of Incorporation of the Cooperative shall compose the board of Directors until the first Annual Meeting or until their successors shall have been elected and shall have qualified. No person shall be eligible to become or remain a director of, or to hold any position of trust, in the Cooperative, who:

(a) does not have the legal capacity to enter into a binding contract under the laws of the State of North Carolina; or (b) does not have the mental and physical capacity to exercise the corporate standard for business judgment in discharging his/her duties in a manner to be in the best interests of the Cooperative under the laws of the State of North Carolina; or (c) has not been a member of the Cooperative in the Directorate District for which such person seeks election and has received electric service there as his/her primary residential abode in such person's own name for at least one hundred eighty (180) consecutive days next preceding the date of the election; or (d) has, during the ten (10) years preceding the date of nomination, been a regular employee of the Cooperative or of a competing enterprise; or (e) is in any way employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise; or (f) is engaged in the business of selling electric energy.

A director or director's company may be allowed to sell materials, supplies, equipment, or vehicles to the Cooperative only if at least three bids are submitted to the Cooperative for any such sale, and only if the director or his/her business has submitted the lowest bid. Upon establishment of the fact that a nominee for director lacks eligibility under this Section or as may be provided elsewhere in these bylaws, it shall be the duty of the chairman presiding at the meeting at which such nominee would otherwise be voted upon to disqualify such nominee. Upon the establishment of the fact that any person being considered for, or already holding a directorship or other position of trust in the Cooperative, lacks eligibility under this Section, it shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to withhold such position from such person, or to cause such person to be removed therefrom, as the case may be.

Nothing contained in this Section shall, or shall be construed to, affect in any manner whatsoever the validity of any action taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors, unless such action is taken with respect to a matter which is affected by the provisions of this Section and in which one or more of the directors have an interest adverse to that of the Cooperative.

When a membership is held jointly by a husband and wife, either one, but not both may be elected a director; provided, however, that neither one shall be eligible to become or remain a director or to hold a position of

trust in the Cooperative unless both shall meet the qualifications hereinabove set forth.

SECTION 3.03. NOMINATIONS

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to appoint, not less than sixty (60) days nor more than ninety (90) days before the date of the meeting of the members at which directors are to be elected, a District Nominating Committee for each Directorate District in which directors are to be elected. Such District Nominating Committees shall consist of not less than three (3) nor more than five (5) members who shall be selected from the Directorate District from which a director is to be nominated. No officer or member of the Board of Directors or close relative thereof shall be appointed a member of such Committee/Committees. The Committees shall prepare and post at the principal office of the Cooperative at least twenty (20) days before the meeting a list of nominations for directors, but any fifteen (15) or more members may make other nominations in writing over their signatures not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting and the Secretary shall post the same at the same place where the list of nominations made by the Committees is posted. The Secretary shall mail with the Notice of the Meeting a statement of the number of directors to be elected and showing separately the nominations made by the District Nominating Committees and the nominations made by petition if any. The members may at any meeting at which a director or directors shall be removed, as hereinbefore provided, elect a successor or successors thereto without compliance with the foregoing provisions with respect to nominations. Notwithstanding anything in this section contained, failure to comply with any of the provisions of this section shall not affect in any manner whatsoever the validity of any election of directors.

SECTION 3.04. ELECTION & TENURE

At each annual meeting of the members, directors shall be elected by secret written ballot by the members and, from among those members who are natural persons; PROVIDED that, when the number of nominees does not exceed the number of directors to be elected and if there is no objection, secret written balloting may be dispensed with in respect of that particular election and voting may be conducted in any other proper manner. Directors shall, unless the members determine otherwise in advance of the initial balloting, be elected by a plurality vote of the members. Drawing by a lot shall resolve, where necessary, any tie votes.

Directors shall be so nominated and elected that, beginning with the Annual Meeting of the members of 1996, directors from Directorate Districts 2, 4, and 7 shall be elected for three (3) year terms; at the Annual meeting of the members of 1997, directors from Directorate Districts 5, 8, and 9 shall be elected for three (3)

year terms; and at the Annual Meeting of the members of 1998, directors from Directorate Districts 1, 3, and 6 shall be elected for three (3) year terms. Beginning with the next succeeding Annual Meeting of the members, and at each such meeting thereafter, the same number of directors that corresponds to the number whose terms are expiring shall be elected to serve a term of three (3) consecutive years; PROVIDED, that a year as used in this section shall mean the period beginning with one Annual Meeting of the members and ending at the next; and PROVIDED FURTHER, that, notwithstanding the terms for which they are elected, directors shall serve until their successors shall have been elected and qualified.

SECTION 3.05. DIRECTORATE DISTRICTS

Directors shall be so nominated and elected that the Board shall be comprised of nine (9) Directorate Districts. A director of a Directorate District must be a resident of, and make his/her primary residential abode, on a premises served by an electrical circuit provided by the Cooperative. All of the Cooperative's electrical circuits, as identified by circuit numbers on the Cooperative's maps and records, shall be divided into nine (9) Directorate Districts. For the purpose of assuring equitable representation, additional circuit numbers may be added to or deleted from a Directorate District. It shall be the duty of the board of Directors to make such additions to, and deletions from, the various Directorate Districts no later than April 1st of each year. Such additions and deletions, along with the existing Directorate District circuit numbers, will be provided to the members. Each of the nine (9) Directorate Districts is:

District Number	Circuit Numbers
1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 68
2	6, 7, 24, 25, 27, 30, 71, 73
3	9, 13, 14, 16, 67, 69, 70
4	10, 11, 15, 26, 75, 76, 77
5	17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 60, 78
6	28, 31, 55, 72, 87, 88
7	33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 46, 47, 48, 49, 56, 80, 81, 83, 84
8	39, 40, 50, 51, 52, 53, 82, 85, 86
9	42, 43, 44, 61, 62, 63, 64, 89, 90

(Electrical circuits may be added or deleted on April 1st of each year for the purpose of ensuring equitable representation.)