

A Monthly Newsletter for Snapping Shoals EMC Members December 2023

New Rate Structure Coming in January

Average SSEMC Member Will See Minor Adjustment to Overall Bill

Last month, we informed you that an electric rate restructuring would take effect on January 1, 2024. Snapping Shoals EMC strives daily to provide our members with low-cost, reliable power. We are proud to be one of the low-cost electric providers in Georgia. This rate restructuring will help us protect the financial health of your Cooperative and is designed to minimize the cost impact to our members.

The average SSEMC residential member should see a slight decrease in their summer bills and a slight increase in their winter bills. In total, the annual difference should be less than \$5.00 per residential account per year. Members who receive our senior citizen/low-income discount should be impacted even less. A summary of the estimated charges of the residential rate is shown below:

Usage Comparison: Old Rates vs New Rates*

The example below includes residential rate comparisons at various usage levels. The average winter usage of a Snapping Shoals EMC member is 1,191 kWh/month while for the summer it is 1,345 kWh/month.

The bill comparison includes all costs included on a member's bill with the exception of taxes.

			Average		
	500 kWh	1,000 kWh	SSEMC Member	1,500 kWh	2,000 kWh
			Winter Average		
			1,191 kWh		
Old Winter Rates	\$74.10	\$120.20	\$137.33	\$165.05	\$209.89
New Winter Rates	\$79.10	\$124.61	\$141.72	\$169.41	\$214.22
			Summer Average		
			1,345 kWh		
Old Summer Rates	\$75.75	\$123.50	\$166.76	\$186.20	\$248.89
New Summer Rates	\$80.95	\$126.91	\$163.44	\$179.86	\$232.81

*The PCA used to calculate the "Old Rate" is the estimated January 2024 PCA before restructuring. The PCA used for the "New Rate" is the estimated January 2024 PCA after restructuring. While we believe these estimates to be a fair indication of our 2024 power costs and operating expenses, these estimates can and likely will vary slightly from the actual PCA charges due to the volatility of energy markets.



Happy Holidays from the Walton Gas Family



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Surge Protection Offers Peace of Mind

Power surges can happen at any moment. While typically caused by lightning strikes, tripped circuit breakers and short circuits can also cause them too. Power surges can wreak havoc on the appliances and electronics inside your home, but fortunately there's a way to protect your household items so you won't have to replace them. 4582161

SSEMC offers members a surge protection program called Avert for only \$8.99 a month. Avert Surge Protection provides a combination of meter-base and point-of-use protection to guard appliances and electronics from the damaging effects of power surges.

When you sign up for Avert, SSEMC will install a meter socket adapter (MSA) at your meter base to protect motor-driven appliances such as your refrigerator, air conditioner, washer and dryer. There is a one-time \$19.99 installation fee for the MSA. We will also provide five plug-in surge protectors for you to use inside your home to give sensitive



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electronics such as TVs, computers and audio systems the additional protection they need. Two of these plug-in devices will protect up to eight items each, and the other three are single-plug units. Some also provide telephone and/or coaxial (cable/satellite) protection as well. 4199196

The manufacturer guarantees protection of all qualifying appliances and electronics covered under the Avert surge protection agreement. A warranty of up to \$50,000 per surge occurrence is included. Some exclusions apply. Call our Member Services Department at 770-385-2875 for more information.

Small Change Can Change Lives

The holiday season is finally here. Some call it the most wonderful season of all because it's a time of giving and spreading joy. Giving often reminds us of the many good things we have right here in our community and why it's so important to spread the good as far as we can, especially to the most vulnerable. We're also reminded of how wonderful our community is and what a big impact we can have when we work together. 4642061

As a member of Snapping Shoals EMC's Operation Round Up, you can help spread good throughout the year. Your donations help local families and individuals in need. When you "round up" your monthly bill, you're helping to meet an immediate need, but you're also telling those who receive assistance that their community cares. Over the years, our Operation Round Up funds have fed hungry families and enabled many in need to pay medical expenses. 3141678

The cooperative principle "concern for community" is part of what defines Snapping

Shoals EMC. When we first brought electricity to this community in 1938, the quality of life improved. Since then, our co-op has been at the forefront of bringing improvements to the quality of life in this community. 4466142

With your help, we've given hundreds of thousands of dollars back to local families and individuals through Operation Round Up. Across the country, more than 350 electric co-ops have an Operation Round Up program, and together, we've raised millions for local communities. This shows that small donations from electric co-ops like ours, over time, can collectively make a big impact.

We hope you think of Snapping Shoals EMC as more than your energy provider, but also as a catalyst for good in our community. Please consider joining us in helping others by calling 770-385-2737 and becoming an Operation Round Up participant today!



The offices of Snapping Shoals EMC will be closed on the following dates:

- Friday, December 22
 and Monday, December 25
- Monday, January 1

Report outages online at ssemc.com, with the mySSEMC app or by calling 678-814-4961.





Applications are now available at ssemc.com for the 2024 J.E. Robinson Memorial Scholarships, Bradley K. Thomas Scholarships, GEMC Walter Harrison Scholarships and Washington Youth Tour. Full details, instructions, deadline and eligibility requirements for each scholarship are included with the applications.



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Pay your bill or check your account balance: Call 1-888-999-1416 or use the mySSEMC app

Report power theft:

Call our anonymous tip line at 678-729-8095

Call before you dig: Call Utilities Protection Center of Georgia at 811 or visit www.georgia811.com

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