

Nominating Committee Appointments

District 1: Ken Dixon, Denzel Coffey, Richard A. Ladwig and Brad Reese (alt).

District 2: Cheryl Lund, Rod Nelson, Jerit DeGering and Tiffany Thurston (alt).

District 3: Judson Skavdahl, James A. Phipps, Laura Button and Jim Ellicott (alt).

The Nominating Committee will meet on February 21, 2024 at the NEA headquarters. It is their responsibility to nominate eligible and interested members seeking to be candidates for election to the NEA Board of Directors.

If you are interested in being a candidate, call our office and visit with member services about a candidate interest form. Also, let your district representative know you would like to be nominated for election.

Elections to the Board of Directors takes place during the business portion of Annual Meeting. The membership will gather at the Fairgrounds in Lusk, WY, on May 23rd for this year's meeting.

REMINDER

Scholarship applications are due February 22, 2024.

Call our office if you have questions or concerns. Niobrara and Sioux County High School Counselors have applications. You can also pick up an application at our office or from our website

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DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT Electric Rate Components



The rate you pay for electricity is determined by three factors, the Facility Charge, the Energy Charge and the Demand Charge. These charges vary depending on the rate class you are in. Rate classes are separated into categories such as Residential, Small Commercial and Large Industrial to name a few. Here is a high level overview of what goes into the rates.

Facility Charge: This is a fixed charge to help cover the cost of Operations and Maintenance expenses such as labor, infrastructure (poles, transformers), and fleet.

Energy Charge: This charge is what you pay for the kilowatt hours consumed over time which is metered and then multiplied by your energy rate. Many compare it to an odometer on your vehicle, it registers anytime your vehicle is in motion regardless of the speed.

Demand Charge: Demand is calculated by looking at the maximum level of power you may need during a particular period. If you run multiple appliances at one time, dishwasher, washing machine, air conditioner and tv your demand for electricity will be high. If on that day you reach 50kW but do not reach that again for the rest of the month you will still be charged for the 50kW, if your demand rate is \$20 per kW, your demand charge will be \$1,000. This is to insure you never experience a power deficit. It is often compared to a speedometer, you have the ability to go 100 mph so you pay for that ability even though you typically drive 50 mph. The residential rate classes energy and demand charge are combined.

Office Hours

Monday—Thursday

7:00 a.m.— 5:00 p.m.

Closed Fridays and Holidays

(New Years Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas)

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MEMBER SERVICE MESSAGE

We invite our members to visit the NEA website at www.niobrara-electric.org.

A new feature on the website you will see is a survey pop-up box on the home page. This particular survey will be available until the end of March. We will compile the survey results in April and look forward to sharing the information with you at Annual Meeting in May.

Your input is important to us so please visit the website and take the brief survey. If you have questions or concerns, please call our office as we are happy to talk with you about the process.





