

THE CIRCUIT!

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E.P.I.C Program Available at Your Co-op

The **Efficiency Plan & Improvement Commitment** (E.P.I.C Program) is a new program offered through your Cooperative. SEC is embarking on this home energy efficiency program in an effort to assist our member-owners in making significant improvements to their home's energy efficiency. Ultimately, we are hoping that this will result in lower electric bills and a better quality of home life.

In order to accomplish the goals and efficiency gains of the E.P.I.C. Program, SEC has developed a strategic partnership with Precise Building Performance (Precise), LLC, out of Lawton, Oklahoma.

To sign up, visit our website at www.se-coop.com and hover on the REBATES tab at the top of the page. A drop-down menu will show a list of rebates that are available through SEC. At the top of the list, you will see the E.P.I.C Program. Hover over that tab and then a new drop down will appear with "Program Guidelines" and "Registration." Click on "Registration" and fill out the form! If you need assistance with filling out the form, please give us a call at 580-745-9463 and we will be more than happy to help you.



Once a Member signs up for the program, a professional energy auditor from Precise Building Performance will call to schedule a time for the FREE Home Energy Audit. The assessment is valued at \$275 which your Co-op is absorbing the cost in order to better help our Members.

Precise will conduct three specific assessments at the home: 1) Blower Door Test, to measure the air infiltration to the home; 2) Duct Blaster Test, to measure the integrity of the duct work; and 3) A visual inspection of the attic insulation. At the conclusion of the energy efficiency assessment, Precise will inform member of the results of the assessment. Members can expect a thorough ex-

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Meter Tampering Is A No-No

DO NOT TAMPER WITH YOUR ELECTRIC METER

Meter tampering can result in electric shock, is illegal and increases electricity rates for other co-op members.



- ⊘ Never break a meter seal.
- ⊘ Never open a meter base.
- ⊘ Never remove a meter or alter an entrance cable in any manner.

If you know or suspect that someone has tampered with their meter, please contact us immediately.

We take meter tampering very seriously at the Co-op. Not only can it cause bodily harm or possible death, it can result in legal issues as well.

We understand that under certain circumstances, a meter seal will need to be broken. You **MUST** call the Co-op first to let us know that you or a licensed electrician will be doing repairs to the electric system on the Member's side of the meter (anything that runs from the meter to the **INSIDE** of the residence or structure is considered the responsibility of the Member). Once you have called, we will make note on your account. When the work is done on the Member's side of the meter, you **MUST** call the Co-op once more so that we can come re-seal the meter for you.

"Additional charges, possible fines from law enforcement or even the possibility for the removal of all electrical equipment from the property are just a few results of meter tampering," said Randy Cloyd, SEC Office Manager. "In the worst cases, a Member can end up facing possible jail time, serious injury or even death," he added. When someone tampers with a meter, it costs not only the person doing the tampering, it costs all Members as well when repairs are needed.

If you suspect that a person is tampering with their electrical meter, please call the Co-op immediately at 580-924-2170 so that we can verify through a system check. All callers will remain anonymous.***

Pole Inventory Update

GPS inventory by Davey Resource Group (DRG) began on February 19th for the Southeastern Electric infrastructure.



The East Circuit of the Yuba Substation is where DRG is currently focused.

This includes the areas of Yuba, Utica as well as Albany

and westward. Once the East Circuit of the Yuba Substation is completed, the next direction will be the West Circuit.

DRG is easily identifiable by their bright vests and well-marked vehicles which will have the Southeastern Electric logo on them. The use of ATV's will also be necessary to reach overgrown or hard to navigate areas.



If you have any questions or concerns, please call us at 580-745-9463.

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planation of the assessment findings, and may be referred to contractors that can provide (if needed) the type of efficiency improvements needed.

Precise will also leave a complimentary Energy Efficiency Resource Kit (*while supplies last*) with the Member which is provided by the Co-op to help the home-owner get started on more simple improvements.***

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National Lineman Appreciation Day

They are the ones who get the call during any given hour of the night. They are the ones who crawl out of their comfy beds, put on their stiff boots, and tell their families “good-bye” for a seemingly unknown amount of time. They are Linemen.

Each day they put their lives on the line to provide SEC Members with safe and reliable electricity.

April 18th is National Lineman Appreciation Day. In 2013, it was decided that linemen all across the nation should be recognized for their hard work and dedication. Without their bravery, Co-ops would not be able to exist.

Trevor Matlock, Safety Director, said, “The job that the linemen provide and are expected to perform is dangerous, yet rewarding. In the times of storms and restoring power and also in the routine jobs, they exemplify safety for themselves and are always looking out for the lineman standing next to them.”

Linemen always deserve to get appreciation for their hard work. Especially during the month of April, if you happen to see a lineman out take a moment and give a shout or maybe even a “thank you.” Without them, the world would be a dark place.***



LIKE and SHARE Our Facebook Page!

We need your help getting the word out to your friends and neighbors. Any time that you see a post from Southeastern Electric pop up on your newsfeed, simply LIKE and SHARE it so that we can reach the largest audience possible!

Why is it so important to follow our page? Since we know that our demographics are constantly changing and that the Cooperative is getting involved in more community and youth projects, we want to make sure that we reach all age groups of our Members. We will be using Facebook more in the upcoming months as a social “news” out-

let to announce items such as scheduled line maintenance, updates on severe weather outages, area school involvement, Annual Meeting updates and other events happening at the Cooperative!***

