

CHIPPEWA VALLEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2005

FROM THE PRESIDENT & CEO

POWER COST ADJUSTMENT

It has become necessary for Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative to add a power cost adjustment, (PCA), to all our electric rates. Our Power Supplier, Dairyland Power Cooperative, has had recent increases in their fuel cost for generating our electricity and has been charging Chippewa Valley Electric a power cost adjustment for the past couple months.

Chippewa Valley Electric will absorb the additional wholesale

PCA for the remainder of 2005. However, in order to preserve Chippewa Valley Electric's financial integrity, this wholesale PCA will be passed on to our members beginning with the January 2006 bill.

The PCA is only a temporary fix for the escalating wholesale electricity prices. Chippewa Valley Electric has begun working on a rate study to coordinate a rate increase to take effect when our

wholesale power rate changes in May of 2006.

Unfortunately, we are expecting the PCA charge and the new rates to be substantial increases. We feel it is imperative to give everyone as much notice as possible about these impending increases. All members should be reviewing their electricity usage and making plans to conserve electricity to lessen the financial impact of the upcoming increases.



MAINSTREET MESSENGER

EMERGENCY RESPONSE TELEPHONE SYSTEM

FEATURES INCLUDE:

- ◆ Two-Way Voice
- ◆ 24-Hour Professional Monitoring
- ◆ Wireless Transmitter
- ◆ Visual Ringing
- ◆ Memory Keys
- ◆ Large Backlit Keypad
- ◆ Handset & Speakerphone Volume Control
- ◆ Hands-Free Answering

And leasing the MainStreet Messenger system cost less than buying a daily cup of coffee.

\$22.50 Per month

One-Time Installation fee - **\$35**



PERSONAL INDEPENDENCE, SECURITY AND PEACE OF MIND.

For more information or to request service, call Cathy at Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative at 715-239-6800 or 1-800-300-6800

Happy Holidays

**CVEC's office will be closed
December 23, 24, 25, & 26 and January 2nd.**

SIGN UP FOR THE AUTOMATIC PAYMENT PLAN

ACH (Automated Clearing House) allows transfer of funds from your checking or savings account, directly to Chippewa Valley Electric's account to cover your electric bill. A direct charge would be made on the 22nd

of each month for the amount of your bill.

If you are interested in participating in this convenient plan, please fill out the form below and return it to our office with the required information.

**BE HASSLE-FREE,
AND SAVE TIME
TOO...**

I want to participate in the Automatic Payment Plan

Name(s) on CVEC bill _____ CVEC Account Number _____

Billing address _____

Work Phone _____ Home Phone _____

Your Financial Institution _____ Account Number _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

If your payment is to be deducted from a checking account, enclose a blank check. Write VOID across it and DO NOT SIGN IT.

If your payment is to be deducted from a savings account, enclose a deposit slip that includes your account number.

CVEC has the right to cancel my use of the Automatic Payment Plan. I will write to CVEC if I decide to cancel my use of the Automatic Payment Plan.

Account Holder(s) _____

Signature _____ Date: _____

NOTE: If the account is in two names, both account holders must sign above. Mail this form with your current payment or mail it separately to Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative, P.O. Box 575, 317 S. 8th St., Cornell, WI 54732. For more information, call 715-239-6800 or 1-800-300-6800.

BE SURE TO CALL DIGGERS HOTLINE

Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative utilizes Diggers Hotline, Wisconsin's one-call information service for the location of underground facilities and safe working clearance from overhead lines. Wisconsin law requires that anyone performing excavation or demolition work must notify underground facility owners at least three working days before starting the work. Members needing underground cable located are encouraged to call.

DIGGERS HOTLINE

Toll-free: 1-800-242-8511

**Milwaukee area:
(414) 259-1181**

**TDD for Hearing Impaired:
1-800-542-2289**



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