

**Notice to Members of HomeWorks Tri-County Electric Cooperative
Tariff and Fee Changes Effective January 1, 2011**

The HomeWorks Tri-County Electric Cooperative Board of Directors adopted the following changes to the Cooperative's tariffs and fees at a Special Open Meeting held September 27, 2010, in accordance with P.A. 167.

- 1) The 2011 Power Supply Recovery Factor was set at \$0.00195, based on annual cost forecasts from Wolverine Power Cooperative.
- 2) Fees charged as Contributions in Aid to Construction of new services were increased to more closely reflect actual costs of service. The initial connection fee was increased from \$50 to \$75, and the cost for additional footage for residential primary and secondary lines, both overhead and underground, from the existing line were increased. General service and large power construction fees were similarly increased to reflect actual costs.
- 3) Charges for cable TV and telephone companies to attach their lines to the cooperative's utility poles were increased from \$3.74 to \$6.50 per attachment point per year and will be reviewed annually.
- 4) The interest rate paid on billing deposits for residential accounts was revised to that paid for commercial accounts, tied to the U.S. Treasury EE bond interest rate which is adjusted periodically, currently 1.4%.

For specific details of any HomeWorks tariffs or fees, please call us at 1-800-562-8232 or visit our website at www.homeworks.org.

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**Notice to Members of HomeWorks Tri-County Electric Cooperative
A Special Member Meeting is set for Sept. 27, 1 p.m., at the cooperative's Portland office**

The board of directors will consider several changes to the cooperative's rates and tariffs at its meeting on Sept. 27, 2010, to be held at the cooperative office at 7973 E. Grand River Avenue, Portland, MI. The meeting will start at 1 p.m. and is open to all members of HomeWorks Tri-County Electric Cooperative. Members will have an opportunity to address the board on the proposed changes prior to board action.

The following items will be considered:

- 1) Establish the 2011 Power Supply Cost Recovery Factor to be applied to Tri-County Electric Cooperative's retail member-customers' monthly kilowatt-hour use. The Power Supply Cost Recovery Factor represents the power supply costs as established by the cooperative in conjunction with Wolverine Power Cooperative. The factor is established annually, and reviewed monthly.
- 2) Revise the cooperative's Aid-to-Construction fee schedule to reflect cost increases since the schedule was last approved in 1978. If approved, these changes will affect member-customers who have electric service built to a new location, or request a change in service at their current location.
- 3) Revise the cooperative's Requirements for Pole Attachments tariff sheet to change the annual pole attachment rate per pole. Under the tariff, the cooperative may permit a cable television company or other attaching party to make attachments to its poles, ducts or conduits pursuant to a contract between the cooperative and the attaching party.
- 4) Review the cooperative's current billing deposit policy, in particular the interest rate paid on billing deposits.

Notice of changes or additions to the cooperative's rates or service rules shall be sent to all members, as required by P.A. 167, by publication in *Michigan Country Lines* at least 30 days prior to their effective date.

Participation: Any interested member may attend and participate. The location of the board meeting site is accessible, including handicapped parking. Persons needing any accommodation to participate should contact HomeWorks Tri-County Electric at 800-562-8232 a week in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance. Comments may also be made before the meeting date by calling General Manager Mark Kappler at 517-647-1281, or by email at mkappler@homeworks.org.

Notice of the board meeting shall be sent to all members, as required by P.A. 167, by publication in *Michigan Country Lines*.

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