



Caney Valley Voice

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Power Cost Adjustment

The Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) for August is \$0.02566/kWh. This calculates to an additional \$25.66 per 1,000 kWh used.

Holiday Office Closing

In observance of Labor Day, the Caney Valley Electric office will be closed on Monday, September 1, 2008. Have a Safe Holiday!

Caney Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

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Office Hours

Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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From the Manager...

Now that we are into the hot summer months the electric bills you receive over the next two months will probably be among the highest you have throughout the year.

Your Board of Trustees closely monitors the financial operations of your cooperative to assure you are paying electric rates that are fair and reasonable. Unfortunately, Caney Valley's electric rates historically have been higher than we would like for them to be. There are many reasons why this is the case; and I would be glad to discuss them with you in detail if you would come by the office or give me a call.

On the brighter side, the average cost you are paying per kilowatt-hour is only slightly higher today compared to 1994, the last time the rates were established for Caney Valley

Electric. For all of Caney Valley's members, residential and non-residential, the overall average cost for 2007 was 12.35¢/kWh.

The average cost in 1994 was 11.68¢/kWh, an increase of 0.67¢ or 5.7 percent. Through the first five months of 2008, the average cost is 11.7¢/kWh with the off-peak rates in effect.

We are continually working to hold the line on rates. As you know from your experiences with your personal and business finances, prices are constantly rising. It is the same with Caney Valley's operation expenses. Be assured that your Board and employees will be mindful of your electric utility costs, and they will strive to keep them as stable as possible.

Allen Zadorozny, Manager

Operating Statistics for August 2008

| For Month Ending | May 2007 | May 2008 |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|
| Customers Billed | 5,369 | 5,415 |
| Kilowatt Hours Sold | 3,720,177 | 3,962,085 |
| Total Revenue | \$ 457,967 | \$ 480,507 |
| Purchased Power | \$ 249,847 | \$ 287,471 |
| Operating Expenses | \$ 154,204 | \$ 161,348 |
| Depreciation Expenses | \$ 46,471 | \$ 50,508 |
| Interest Expenses | \$ 34,525 | \$ 26,287 |
| Other Expenses | \$ 300 | \$ 285 |
| Operating Margins | \$ (27,380) | \$(45,392) |
| Non-operating Margins | \$ 4,284 | \$ 2,149 |
| Total Margins | \$ (23,096) | \$(43,243) |
| Margins Year-to-Date | \$ 133,507 | \$ 145,979 |



Sanders Retires After 47 Years

J.D. Sanders celebrates his retirement from Caney Valley Electric on August 2, 2008, after 47 years of service to the cooperative.



J.D. Sanders

Material Manager's Association and the Kansas Member Services Directors Association.

J.D. also worked for the Cedar Vale Emergency Medical Services for 26 years and helped as assistant coach for the Cedar

A reception will be held at the Long Shed in Cedar Vale from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. for all family and friends to honor J.D.'s retirement.

J.D. started working part-time for Caney Valley right out of high school, went one year to Southwestern College in Winfield, and has been working for the cooperative ever since.

He has held the positions of groundman, lineman, line foreman and wiring inspector, work order and material clerk, office manager, and most recently as manager of member services and purchasing.

Through the cooperative, he has been a member of the Kansas

Vale High School baseball team for nine years. He has been an active member of the Cedar Vale Lions Club since 1963 and has served as Secretary/Treasurer of the Cedar Vale Church of Christ for a number of years.

J.D. and his wife, Faith, will be relocating to Pamona Lake near Vassar following his retirement. He has plans to spend time with grandchildren, traveling in their fifth-wheel camper, and doing lots of golfing and fishing.

Congratulations, J.D., and we wish you all the best in your retirement!

Caney Valley Encourages Peak Control

What is Peak Control?

Peak Control is a voluntary program in which our members can participate to hold down electricity costs to both Caney Valley and themselves.

What Can You Do To Participate in Peak Control?

Members can participate by voluntarily monitoring when they use electric equipment and appliances which require larger amounts of electricity.

When Do I Need to Participate in Peak Control?

During the hours of 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. every weekday from June 1 through September 30. The actual peak demand for June, July, August and September is the billing demand for each respective month. **SPECIAL EMPHASIS IS PLACED DURING JULY AND AUGUST**, as the peak electricity demand registered by Caney Valley during those two months drives the electricity billings for the following eight months. Be aware of days that have high temperatures forecasted above 90 degrees Fahrenheit. Those days are when peak demands usually occur.

What Are the Benefits of Taking Part in Peak Control?

By helping hold the line for the kilowatt demand charges on Caney Valley's wholesale electric bill, the member will also limit the amount of the resulting power cost adjustment (PCA) charges added to his/her electric bills.

Please contact our office at 800-310-8911 for more information. We thank you for your participation in this program.

Outages for June 2008

Occasionally, a part or parts of the delivery system fail and an outage occurs. The following is a summary of the larger outages and their causes that occurred during June. (We also had numerous smaller and individual outages as a result of a number of storms that went through our system this month.)

| Date | Area | Consumers Affected | Duration | Cause |
|------|-----------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| 6/1 | Chautauqua area | 150 | 1 hour | 2 burndowns due to lightning |
| 6/1 | Near Wayside | 50 | 3 hr 15 min | Bad hotline clamp |
| 6/3 | Sedan | 600 | 45 min | High winds/storm |
| 6/3 | Dexter area | 30 | 2 hr 15 min | High winds/storm |
| 6/4 | Niotaze, Havana, etc. | 150 | 2 hr | Weather balloon in line |
| 6/4 | Grenola area | 30 | 5 hr | High winds/storm |
| 6/5 | Niotaze, Havana, etc. | 150 | 2 hr 30 min | Tree limbs in line |
| 6/8 | North of Cedar Vale | 50 | 3 hr 15 min | Reset OCR/storm |
| 6/8 | South of Burden | 91 | 4 hr 15 min | Westar off-pole down in storm |
| 6/9 | North of Cedar Vale | 50 | 1 hr 15 min | Reset OCR/storm |
| 6/9 | Grafton area | 35 | 2 hr 45 min | Reset OCR/storm |
| 6/9 | North of Havana | 30 | 6 hr 45 min | Tree fell through line/storm |
| 6/9 | North of Cedar Vale | 60 | 4 hr 30 min | Pole down in storm |
| 6/16 | North of Cedar Vale | 45 | 30 min | Reset OCR/storm |
| 6/18 | Grenola area | 140 | 1 hr | Jumper burned loose above OCR |