



Chariton Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Your Touchstone Energy® Partner



OFFICIAL RATE INCREASE NOTICE

Dear Valued Member:

Chariton Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. (CVEC), knows that electricity is essential - but so is keeping it affordable. We are committed to providing reliable service while carefully managing costs for our members.

Every day, our members count on us for safe, dependable electricity. Our fundamental responsibility is to deliver that power while keeping bills as low as possible, and we work hard to control costs before asking members to pay more.

After careful review, the Board of Directors has approved a rate adjustment that will take effect April 1, 2026. This will support the long-term reliability of the electric system that serves our members today and into the future. A summary of the updated rate schedule is included on the back of this letter. For more details and frequently asked questions, please visit our website at cvrec.com.

We also want to be clear about what we are doing on your behalf to actively manage costs:

- Increasing efficiency and reducing operational costs
- Exploring options for materials, equipment and suppliers
- Extending the productive life of equipment where it is safe and responsible
- Partnering with our power suppliers to share costs and improve efficiency

Even with these efforts, occasional adjustments are necessary to maintain the reliability our members expect and deserve. As a not-for-profit, member-owned cooperative, all revenue is used to operate, maintain and improve the electric system - not for profit.

Looking ahead, we will evaluate rates annually to ensure we are collecting only what is needed to operate and maintain the cooperative - nothing more. This approach helps keep bills fair while supporting a reliable electric system for everyone.

We also encourage members to take simple steps to help manage energy use, such as adjusting thermostats, sealing doors and windows, using energy-efficient lighting and appliances and being mindful of peak usage times. Our staff is always happy to help you find ways to save energy at home.

Thank you for being a valued member-owner of your electric cooperative. We remain committed to serving you with transparency, responsibility and care.

Sincerely,

Kenneth VandenBerg
Board President
Chariton Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Troy Amoss
CEO/General Manager
Chariton Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Rate Schedule Summary

Effective April 1, 2026

Existing Rates	Proposed Rates
Residential	Residential
Service Availability Charge @ \$1.40 /day	Service Availability Charge @ \$1.44 /day
All kWh @ \$0.115 /kWh	All kWh @ \$0.118 /kWh
Small Commercial < 100 kVA	Small Commercial < 100 kVA
Service Availability Charge @ \$1.40 /day	Service Availability Charge @ \$1.44 /day
All kWh @ \$0.115 /kWh	All kWh @ \$0.118 /kWh
Three Phase 101 - 500 kVA	Three Phase 101 - 500 kVA
Service Availability Charge @ \$4.07 /day	Service Availability Charge @ \$4.19 /day
All kW Billing Demand @ \$17.51 /kW	All kW Billing Demand @ \$18.04 /kW
All kWh @ \$0.050 /kWh	All kWh @ \$0.052 /kWh
Three Phase 501 - 1000 kVA	Three Phase 501 - 1000 kVA
Service Availability Charge @ \$6.78 /day	Service Availability Charge @ \$6.98 /day
All kW @ \$17.51 /kW	All kW @ \$18.04 /kW
All kWh @ \$0.050 /kWh	All kWh @ \$0.052 /kWh
Three Phase 1000 - 2000 kVA	Three Phase 1000 - 2000 kVA
Service Availability Charge @ \$8.47 /day	Service Availability Charge @ \$8.72 /day
All kW @ \$17.51 /kW	All kW @ \$18.04 /kW
All kWh @ \$0.050 /kWh	All kWh @ \$0.052 /kWh
Three Phase > 2001 kVA	Three Phase > 2001 kVA
Service Availability Charge @ \$11.86 /day	Service Availability Charge @ \$12.22 /day
All kW @ \$17.51 /kW	All kW @ \$18.04 /kW
All kWh @ \$0.050 /kWh	All kWh @ \$0.052 /kWh

Definitions

Service Availability Charge

This charge covers the basic daily cost of making electric service available at your location. It reflects the majority of the cooperative's investment in poles, wires, transformers and meters, as well as the ongoing maintenance required to deliver safe and reliable electricity to your home or business 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. This charge ensures the electric system is always ready to serve you, even when little or no electricity is used.

Energy Charge

This charge is based on the total kilowatt-hours (kWh) recorded by your meter during the billing period. It represents the amount of electricity you use, commonly referred to as a member's usage. This portion of your bill changes based on how much electricity you use and is the part members can most directly manage through energy-saving habits.

Demand Charge

This charge applies to members who use larger amounts of electricity at any one time, typically businesses or large energy users. It is based on the highest level of electricity demand (measured in kilowatts, kW) recorded during the billing period. The demand charge helps cover the cost of maintaining enough capacity on the system to serve peak electricity needs, ensuring reliability for all members.