



# Carbon Light Lines

May 2011

## MARCH 2011 BOARD ACTIONS



LAIRE FORSTER  
DISTRICT I DIRECTOR

- Approved Department Production and Financial Reports.
- Approved to accept Policy 1-5 *Scholarships* and delete Policy 1-6 *School Satellite Systems* as suggested by Management and Staff.
- Approved Director Richard Clifton as the voting delegate for Tri-State's Annual Meeting and Director Jerry Rabidue as the alternate voting delegate.
- Approved the Electrical Write Offs in the amount of \$1,941.27.
- Approved the Deceased Patron Capital Credit Report in the amount of \$50, 556.52.



FROM THE  
*Manager*

... we are hopeful ...

**Update on Power Outages:** In my February Manager's article I addressed the transmission provider power outages that were impacting the Platte Valley area (Walcott, Fort Steele, Saratoga, Encampment and Riverside) of our service territory. At the time of my writing that article, it was my hope that Rocky Mountain Power (Carbon is served by Tri-State via a contract and interconnection with Rocky Mountain Power at the Platte Substation near Sinclair) had made the necessary upgrades/repairs to their Platte Substation and that...these frequent outages would be a thing of the past... unfortunately I was sadly disappointed when on March 22nd the Platte Valley was again without electrical service for 2.5 hours.

To address this problem, several of Carbon's Board Members and I met with Tri-State personnel at Tri-State's recent Annual Meeting in Denver (April 5th), to discuss these outages and to consider options/actions if they continue. An additional meeting, which included Rocky Mountain Power's personnel, Carbon's personnel and a representative from Tri-State was held on April 8th, at Rocky Mountain Power's office in Rawlins. The purpose of this meeting was to better understand, the causes of these outages and what Rocky Mountain Power was doing to address the situation. Both meetings were encouraging and we are hopeful that once Rocky Mountain Power completes their list of upgrades, we will be returned to a reliable source of power. In the interim, I have asked Tri-State to allow Carbon to remain on the Western Area Power Administration's transmission circuit (also in Sinclair) until Rocky Mountain Power completes their work.

**Capital Credits:** Patronage Capital sometimes referred to as Capital Credits, is one of the unique aspects of being a Member-Owned Rural Electric Cooperative, and sets us apart from Investor-Owned Utilities. Annually, Carbon Power and Light utilizes its May newsletter to post the names

of those former Member-Owners who are owed Capital Credits and whose mailing addresses are no longer current with the Cooperative. If you recognize the name of a former Member-Owner and you know their whereabouts...please give us a call.

As always...thanks for being there for us. Call if you have questions...anytime!

Chuck

# Searching



As a nonprofit electric Cooperative, Carbon Power & Light allocates our annual operating margins, or profits, to Members receiving service during the retirement period. These margins (revenue in excess of expenses) are allocated to you and are called capital credits. The Board of Directors consider the present financial condition of the Cooperative, and the short and long term plans for the continued operation of the Cooperative, prior to setting the retirement period for capital credits.

We are currently searching for a number of Members that had service with us for whom we attempted to send capital credit checks to but these checks were returned as "undeliverable". If you recognize anyone on this list, please contact us and let us know how we can get in touch with these past members. Thank You.

Alcon, Ralph  
Alexander, Michael T.  
Allen, Randy  
Allyn, Howard  
Anderson, Catherine  
Anderson, Dixie  
Anderson, Elizabeth  
Anderson, Mariana  
Anderson, Odes F.  
Anderson, Robert D.  
Anderson, Sigrid  
Angelos, George  
Angus England Post #54  
Arredondo, Nicolas  
Ayers, Lloyd C.  
Baker, Carolyn  
Baker, Jesse  
Barker, James P.  
Batchelor, Delbert  
Batchelor, Lon  
Beal, D.A.  
Beddow, Phillip P.  
Bell, James E.  
Bellamy, John C.  
Benham, William  
Bergquist, Greg  
Big Country Builders  
Blake, James L.  
Bloom, Mary E.  
Boehm, Yvonne  
Bottom, Walter R.  
Bower, Joe  
Brady, Christine  
Brauchie, Mitch  
Brazee, Brendon  
Brimmer, John G.  
Britain, Britt  
Britton, Nancy Wright  
Brokaw, Howard M.  
Brown, Fred L.  
Brush Creek Rch./E. Caldwell  
Bullis, Gary  
Burger, Chuck

Burnett, Muriel  
Bury, James L.  
Butler, Steven  
Cady, Louie E.  
Capozzoli, Robert  
Carlile, Nettie  
Carnes, Steven  
Carroll, Christopher  
Carroll, Neal  
Cashner, Floyd  
Cattles, Clinton  
Cavanagh, Peter L.  
Cheramie Assoc.  
Chewing, Randy  
China Wall Ranch, Inc.  
Chouteau, Dale  
Christensen, Galen  
Christensen, Grant  
Christensen, John  
Clough, Francis B.  
Clymer, Sam  
Cole, W.S.  
Coleman, Clyde  
Collins, John  
Columbus Energy Corp.  
Condo, Michael  
Conner, Patricia A.  
Conrad, Mark  
Consolidated Oil & Gas  
Conway, Carl G.  
Cook, Kelly D.  
Cox, Teresa  
Craig, Clinton  
Craig, William D. (Pecos)  
Crane, Harris L.  
Craven, Floyd, Sue  
Crownier, Donna  
Cruse, Ruth C.  
Custer, Michael  
Darcy, William H.  
Daves, Lily E.  
Davis, J. David  
Debolt, James C.

Doll, G. Fred  
Dahl, Garder G., Jr.  
Dickinson, Albert  
Darnell, Paul  
Dixon, Larry  
Desrocher, Kent R.  
Dority, Timothy  
Davis, Lyndall  
Dickinson, Ashley  
Dowdy, Ricky J.  
Erickson, Arne  
Eagle Rock Ranches  
Elk Mt. Trading/McCarthy  
Emler, James  
Elkhorn Motel/Firnekas  
Edmond, Bill  
Elson, William D.  
Edeburn, Ladonna  
Eckenrod, Julie  
Everman, Frank  
Eyerly, Cindy  
Ferguson, Bob Independent  
Fosters Inc.  
Foster, Raymond  
Fowler, Phillip & Shere  
Fiala, James  
Fraizer, Opal D.  
Farmers Home Adm.  
Foster, Lloyd H.  
Fresquez, Leo  
Full Gospel Assembly  
Foster, Karen  
Ferguson, James H.  
Frazier, Jim E.  
Fanning, Leon  
Fenger, Karen L.  
Ferguson, Shirley J.  
Frontier Service  
Grabowski, Alice  
Grove, Raymond  
Galyean, Greta  
Goolsby, Kevin  
Gibbs, Milton

Gustin, Ann M.  
Guernsey Stone & Constr.  
Garcia, Jesus  
Getz, Paul  
Glass, Steven  
Graves, Michael D.  
Garris, Catherine  
Gist, John  
Godwin, Claude H.  
Gordon's Sinclair (Lee)  
Hansen, M. Fidena  
Hulme, Robert E.  
House, James E.  
Haggerty, George  
Hopkins, Mike  
Hitchcock, Dorothy M.  
Hopkins, R. Clark  
Hepner, Laura  
Hunter, Frank  
Hutchinson, Earl  
Harper, Jane C.  
Hack, Jack  
Hatanelas, John  
HUD  
Harris, Dora  
Hall, Russell E.  
Hathaway, Todd  
Haycock, Patricia  
Hayek, Scott J.  
Hejke, Jana  
Huset, Jerome  
Hartzel, Ray  
Hays, Michael P.  
Henning, Ernest  
Humphrey, Robert P.  
Hammack, Carrie  
Habig, Kim L.  
Habitzruther, Henry A.  
Haigler, Jim & Jan  
Hall, Daniel  
Hershfeldt, Carole  
Hohenberger, Mark  
Holland, Jane

Holt, Thomas L.  
 Hooker, Richard  
 Ide, Jim  
 Incline Reserves  
 Johnson, Gale O.  
 JW Ranch  
 Jones, Donald W.  
 Jennings, Paula  
 Johnson, Michelle  
 Johnson, Marc  
 Johnston, James L.  
 Johnson, Harold M.  
 Jahns, Robert  
 Johnson, Duane  
 Jackson, Sonia  
 Jonas, Marvin  
 Johnson, Orval D.  
 Johnston, Mark  
 Jones, Betty  
 Jones, Bobby  
 Kelley, Allen R.  
 Kelly Oil Co.  
 Kelly, Lua  
 Kennedy, Dale A.  
 Key Association Rec.  
 Kifer, Mervin  
 Kirby, Douglas  
 Kirkikis, Mary  
 Knutson, Mary  
 Kolander, Kevin  
 Koros, Jeff  
 Kotas, Gary  
 Kougl, Maureen  
 Krenning, Jake  
 Krull, Ray L.  
 Lafferty, Johnny E.  
 Landi, Walter A.  
 Lawrence, Tobi  
 Leach, Leland  
 Leinen, Steve  
 Leinweber, Roy  
 Leonello, Charles & Lucy  
 Lewis, Kathy  
 Llosu Corporation  
 Lund, George, Jr.  
 Mac Donald, Curt  
 Mahaffey, Tracy  
 Manning, Fred M. Jr.  
 Marshall, George  
 Marshall, Roy B.  
 Martinez, Gilbert  
 Mastel, Jerry  
 Maulfair, Mitchell  
 Maupin Enterprises  
 McCartney, Daniel L.  
 McCartney, Lynette  
 McCarty, Hershiel  
 McClelland, William H.  
 McCoy, Ray  
 McEvoy, Frederick D.  
 McKay Gertrude  
 McKee, C.A.  
 McKee, Dave  
 McLaughlin Ranch  
 McNall, Greg  
 McVay Leonard C.  
 MDS Partnership  
 Medicine Bow Lodge/Meiners  
 Medicine Bow Minerals  
 Meisner, Ron  
 Mejorado, Arturo  
 Meyer, Butch  
 Meyer, S.B.  
 Middlebrook, Janet  
 Migliaccio, James  
 Milisits, Ronald J.  
 Miller, Jody  
 Miller, John C, Jr.  
 Minard, Levi L.  
 Mixon, Angie  
 Moody, J. & Valerie  
 Moore, Ralph  
 Motis, Jason  
 Murphy, Michael B.  
 Murphy, Richard S.  
 Murray, Rhonda  
 Nacey, David, Jr.  
 Naffziger, James L.  
 Najera, Betty  
 Neer, Keith  
 Nehl, Thomas P.  
 Nelson, Sharie L.  
 Nenow, Minta A.  
 Nerland, Mike  
 Newman, Don  
 Newman, John  
 Nira, David  
 Noble, Paul  
 Northern Gas Co.  
 O'Day, Edwin L.  
 Ojeda, Ernest  
 Orr, Joseph  
 Ostrem, Scott  
 Out West River Company  
 Pasley, James K.  
 Patner, David  
 Patzer, Warden  
 Pauli, Michael  
 Payne, Mike  
 Peitersen, M.  
 Pelto, Maurice S.  
 Peters, Mike  
 Peters, Steve & Alyce  
 Petersen, Melody  
 Peterson, Bob  
 Peterson, Earl  
 Pfeiffer, Richard L.  
 Pilch, John A.  
 Pippin, Senny  
 Pitchfork Land & Cattle  
 Pittman, Phillip  
 Play and Learning Center  
 Pyatt, Edith  
 Randall, Lois  
 Redding, R.L.  
 Reece, Shaily  
 Reed, Dean W.  
 Reynolds, Joseph F.  
 RF 750 Ranches  
 Rhines, Norma R.  
 Rhoads, Sharron  
 Richards, Dan  
 Ridge, Kent C. Jr.  
 Ridley, Mary L.  
 Roberts, Dean  
 Roberts, Edward  
 Roberts, Lucille B.  
 Robertson, Lisa  
 Robinson, Delmar  
 Rocky Mountain Bank  
 Rodabaugh, Ranson R.  
 Rodeo Pit Stops of Wyo.  
 Rodgers, David W.  
 Rodriquez, Ed  
 Rodriquez, Pascual  
 Roemeling, Bryan  
 Rood, Robert E.  
 Rosenlieb, Frank R.  
 Ross, Allen E.  
 Roth, Christopher  
 Rowe, Richard  
 Rutschman, Darlene  
 Ryan, J.E.  
 Schiller, Scott R.  
 Schisel, David J. & Linda  
 Schnorr, Harry  
 Schoonmaker Land & Cattle  
 Schrock, Debbie  
 Schroeder, Robert J.  
 Schumacher, Gerald  
 Scutter, Kenneth  
 Seamon, Irving  
 Seckel, Albert  
 Seibert, Betty N.  
 Selfour Ranches  
 Sencabaugh, Steve  
 Seymour, Clyde  
 Shadrack, Sally  
 Shaw, Casey  
 Shearer, Mike  
 Siegel, Thomas W.  
 Simmons, Gail  
 Sinsabaugh, Sandra  
 Sisler, Jim  
 Sitzman, Edward  
 Slanaker, Bill  
 Smith, EA  
 Smith, Earl  
 Smith, Earl D.  
 Smith, Michael K.  
 Snook, Dean  
 Southern Wy. Medical Inc.  
 Spiker, Brett  
 Sponsel, Robert G.  
 Springer, L. & J. Hanson  
 Springer, Lester  
 Stalder, Robert  
 Stanley, Sherman  
 Steinmetz Logging  
 Stenson, William A.  
 Sternal, Joseph  
 Stickney, Karen  
 Stiles, Eunice Estate  
 Stokley, Earl G.  
 Storer, Elizabeth  
 Sumare, Stan  
 Sutherland, Robert L.  
 Sutton, Keith  
 Swanson, Steven C.  
 T.G. Wilson  
 Taylor, Naida  
 Templeton, Dee E.  
 Tescher, Timothy  
 The Road House  
 Thielbar, Jeff  
 Tidwell, Marvin O.  
 Tomlinson, Linda  
 Toner, V. Dean  
 Trails End Outfitters  
 Trautman, Richard W.  
 Troxel, Norma  
 Truck Terminals Inc.  
 Trustum, Kathryn  
 TT Products Inc.  
 Tucker, Ken  
 Turcato, Wayne  
 Vialpando, Joe  
 Vliem, Doug  
 Wages, Susan  
 Walke, Larry  
 Walker, Edwin  
 Wambolt, Larry  
 Wambford Production Co.  
 Watson Dan  
 Watts, Reuben A.  
 Webb, Jim  
 Whitfield, Debbie L.  
 Whittington, A.K.  
 Wicklund, Loraine  
 Wight, Don  
 Wilcox, Douglas  
 Wilder, Harold  
 Wilderness University  
 Wilkins, Arnold C.  
 Wilson, Trevor  
 Wolfe, Jim  
 Woodward, James & Alice  
 Workman, Richard  
 Wright, John

<b>Member Statistics Report</b>	<b>Feb. - 2010</b>	<b>Feb. - 2011</b>
Total Utility Plant	\$32,140,554	\$34,536,909
Cost of Purchased Power	\$672,967	\$1,278,431
Expenses Less Power Cost	\$339,936	\$418,007
Tax and Interest Paid	\$47,621	\$54,626
Interest Received on Investments	\$9,458	\$6,249.71
Miles of Energized Line	1,869	1,891
Consumers Per Mile	3.3	3.2
Total Meters	6,145	6,135
Residential/Rural	3,867	3,803
Residential/Seasonal	1,504	1,589
Large Power/Commercial	685	659
Other	89	84
Total kWh Used	9,637,103	17,543,879
Residential/Rural	4,584,548	4,848,569
Residential/Seasonal	333,913	440,753
Large Power/Commercial	4,418,801	11,947,668
Other	299,841	306,889
Average Residential kWh Used	1,186	1,275
Average Residential/Rural Bill	\$146	\$155
Average Seasonal kWh Used	222	277
Average Seasonal Bill	\$53	\$61

Carbon welcomes any comments or questions consumers may have. If you have a question on any part of the cooperative business, please write the cooperative and we will see that your question is answered. Any comments or questions can be addressed to Carbon Power & Light, Inc. PO Box 579, Saratoga, WY 82331, ATTN Newsletter.

Visit our website at [www.carbonpower.com](http://www.carbonpower.com)

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*IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH YOUR POWER:* Please check your breakers. If you can determine that your neighbors are also without power; call Carbon at 1-307-326-5206 or 800-359-0249.

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For more information please call the billing department.

REMEMBER you can pay your bill at the following locations.

First National Bank  
21st & Grand  
Laramie, WY 82070

Rawlins National Bank  
202 5<sup>th</sup> St.  
Rawlins, WY 82301

Bank of the West  
302 N. 1<sup>st</sup>  
Saratoga, WY 82331



## ALL ETS USERS

With the time change back in March, some of you may have forgotten to adjust your timers on your Electric Storage Systems.

To maximize your energy efficiency and lower your cost, double check your timers to make sure you are heating your home or office at the reduced rate.

if you have questions or concerns, please contact Joe Parrie, Director of Member Services and Marketing at 1-307-326-5206 or 800-359-0249.

Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs. 7AM to 5:30 PM

