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General Manager's report on 2008

General Manager Jed Wheatley



In 2008, Jackson County REMC marked its 70th anniversary. There wasn't much opportunity for looking backward, however, as 2008 was also a year when the future started coming into focus, at least in some broad and significant respects.

First, a review the year's activities: We are only too aware how the economy slowed, introducing a significant degree of financial hardship throughout the area that continues yet today. Construction of new services dropped sharply from 371 the prior year to only 215 in 2008.

KWH sales fell slightly from 521 million to 517 million. Wholesale power costs rose sharply during the year, driving up retail rates. Financial operating margins were satisfactory, but lower.

Strong winds from Hurricane Ike brought down trees and power lines all around the system in September, impacting a large majority of members and requiring seven days of effort, including help from several visiting crews, to put the lines back into the air. That event pushed the average hours of interruption per meter up to 14.9 for the year as compared to only 2.4 in 2007.

Jackson County REMC continued to implement new technology during 2008, one example being the ability for members to make twenty-four hour payments via telephone and Internet.

Installation of a powerful generation of automated metering with two-way communications was also begun during 2008, allowing members to have detailed information about their electric consumption, integrating with an updated outage management system, and enabling many aspects of new "Smart Grid" functionality.

Although every year brings change, the reality of future carbon legislation became clear as federal initiatives began to receive general support, not only in Congress but also with the major presidential candidates. To help educate members and legislators about the huge potential rate impacts, cooperatives around the nation rolled out the "Our Energy, Our Future" campaign that has continued into 2009 and will likely continue into 2010 as the proposed legislation further develops.

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Consequently, energy efficiency and conservation, always important, will loom ever larger. Home weatherization and efficient heating and cooling systems and practices will become increasingly critical. Building techniques promoted by the Touchstone Energy Home program will be fundamental for people wishing to build

cost-effective, efficient and comfortable homes.

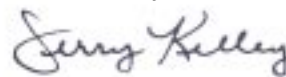
As the future unfolds, power production and power delivery will change significantly as new regulations are implemented. Prices will increase with new legislation, perhaps sharply, further encouraging consumers to become ever wiser about their energy consumption activities.

Official notice to Jackson County REMC members of their 71st Annual Meeting *Thursday, July 23, 2009*

This is the official notice of the 71st Annual Meeting of member-consumers of Jackson County Rural Electric Membership Corporation (REMC). This notice is being given as required by the bylaws of the cooperative and in response to a call by John Trinkle, President of the Board of Directors. The meeting will be held on Thursday, July 23, 2009, at the Jackson County Fairgrounds on State Road 250 southeast of Brownstown. Registration will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m. The business meeting will be called to order at 7:30 p.m. Please note that all times are Eastern Daylight Saving Times. The meeting is being held for the following purposes:

- To elect three directors, one each from districts two, five and eight, to three-year terms. The candidates are introduced on pages 8 and 9 of this issue of "Watt High Lights."
- To hear reports given by General Manager Jed Wheatley, President John Trinkle and Secretary-Treasurer Jerry Kelley.
- To provide REMC members and their families the opportunity to relax together and enjoy family entertainment.

Sincerely,



Jerry Kelley
Secretary-Treasurer

2008 FINANCIAL REPORT

~ Condensed Statement of Income and Expenses ~

	<u>12/31/2008</u>	<u>12/31/2007</u>	<u>12/31/1998</u>
Income:			
Electric Energy Sales	\$43,132,204	\$39,883,864	\$24,546,864
Other Electric Income	829,853	763,199	394,182
Total Income	<u>\$43,962,057</u>	<u>\$40,647,063</u>	<u>\$24,941,046</u>
Costs of Service:			
Wholesale Power Purchased	\$31,756,492	\$28,543,557	\$15,443,219
Operations & Maintenance	4,176,009	3,643,036	3,292,650
Consumer Accounting & Member Services	1,407,028	1,341,615	885,338
Administrative & General	1,714,841	1,554,003	1,113,777
Depreciation	2,544,931	2,446,669	1,585,944
Taxes	879,200	834,800	769,404
Interest	114,029	129,121	227,874
Other Deductions	35,928	52,894	59,721
Total Costs of Service	<u>\$42,628,458</u>	<u>\$38,545,695</u>	<u>\$23,377,927</u>
Margins:			
Operating Margins (Income less Costs)	\$ 1,333,599	\$ 2,101,368	\$ 1,563,119
Non-operating Margins			
Interest Income	200,070	348,883	85,021
Power Supply Capital Credits	1,169,032	2,247,279	0
Other Non-operating Margins	55,156	51,089	5,156
Total Margins (Patronage Capital)	<u>\$ 2,757,857</u>	<u>\$ 4,748,619</u>	<u>\$ 1,653,296</u>

~ Condensed Statement of Assets and Liabilities ~

	<u>12/31/2008</u>	<u>12/31/2007</u>	<u>12/31/1998</u>
Assets:			
Total Utility Plant	\$91,686,025	\$86,989,965	\$56,682,279
Accumulated Depreciation	-20,051,707	-18,438,651	-11,284,322
Net Utility Plant	<u>\$71,634,318</u>	<u>\$68,551,314</u>	<u>\$45,397,957</u>
Working Funds	\$ 3,296,941	\$ 5,564,642	\$ 438,066
Materials & Supplies	1,224,971	1,068,445	567,971
Accounts Receivable	8,012,674	6,271,161	3,763,420
Other Current Assets	62,929	39,692	52,979
Total Current Assets	<u>\$12,597,516</u>	<u>\$12,943,940</u>	<u>\$ 4,822,436</u>
Investment in Associated Organizations	3,737,153	2,790,468	172,163
Other Assets & Deferred Debits	0	0	-439,083
Total Assets	<u>\$87,968,987</u>	<u>\$84,285,722</u>	<u>\$50,831,639</u>
Liabilities & Deferred Credits:			
Current Liabilities	\$ 6,061,183	\$ 4,968,244	\$ 5,115,005
Long Term Debt	1,099,530	1,323,376	3,462,933
Deferred Credits & Other Noncurrent Liabilities	2,916,180	2,445,194	850,358
Total Liabilities & Deferred Credits	<u>\$10,076,893</u>	<u>\$ 8,736,814</u>	<u>\$ 9,428,296</u>
Equity:			
Membership Fees	\$ 589,179	\$ 588,714	\$ 530,142
Unrealized Gains & Losses	0	0	1,947
Patronage Capital	77,302,915	74,960,194	40,871,254
Total Equity	<u>\$77,892,094</u>	<u>\$75,548,908</u>	<u>\$41,403,343</u>
Total Liabilities & Equity	<u>\$87,968,987</u>	<u>\$84,285,722</u>	<u>\$50,831,639</u>

2008 FINANCIAL NOTES

Operating results

- In 2008, income exceeded expenses by \$2,757,857.
- KWH sales decreased by 0.6% from 495,460,840 to 492,207,159 KWH.

Financial capital expenditures

- The \$6.4 million of 2008 investment in utility plant was financed from current year operations and cash on hand. No new loan funds were required.
- All long-term debt used to finance past investment in utility plant is owed to the Rural Utility Service (RUS) within the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Rates

- The base retail rates by which the Rural Electric operated in 2008 were approved by the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission, effective as of July 15, 1998. Due to rising costs of wholesale power, the overall retail price of electricity increased by \$11.47 per 1,000 KWH during 2008.

Audit of Records

- The records of the corporation have been audited through June 30, 2008, by Monroe Shine & Co., Inc., certified public accountants. The annual audit for the twelve months ending June 30, 2009, will soon be underway.

~ Summary of 2008 Statistics ~

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>1998</u>
KWH Purchased	517,483,295	520,891,263	394,086,440
KWH Sold	492,207,159	495,460,840	369,877,034
Percent Line Loss	4.9%	4.9%	6.1%
Average Cost per KWH Purchased	\$0.061	\$0.055	\$0.039
Average Selling Price per KWH Sold	\$0.088	\$0.080	\$0.066
Average KWH Usage per Meter Per Month	1,690	1,704	1,438
Average Bill per Meter per Month	\$148.09	\$137.21	\$95.44
Additions to Utility Plant During Year	\$6,434,548	\$4,657,082	\$4,890,741
New Services Built	215	371	685
Services Retired	194	244	71
Hours Interruption Per Meter During Year	* 14.9	2.4	2.8
Total Metered Services (Average for Year)	24,272	24,224	21,433
Total Electric Heat Services	8,931	8,793	7,437
Total Security Lights	9,379	9,356	8,646
Miles Overhead Distribution Line	2,637	2,636	2,533
Miles Underground Distribution Line	292	285	178
Metered Services per Mile of Line	8.3	8.3	7.9
Investment per Metered Service	\$3,777	\$3,591	\$2,645
Long Term Debt per Metered Service	\$45	\$55	\$162
	*Hurricane Ike		

Minutes of the 2008 Annual Meeting

Please take time to read these minutes before the 2009 Annual Meeting on July 23. In recent years, to save time, the minutes have not been read during the business session and have been accepted as printed. It is hoped that this can be done again this year. Questions, comments or corrections should be presented to General Manager Jed Wheatley prior to the meeting.

The 70th Annual Meeting of the members of the Jackson County Rural Electric Membership Corporation was held at the Jackson County Fairgrounds, State Road 250 in Brownstown, Indiana on Thursday, July 17, 2008.

President John Trinkle called the meeting to order at 7:39 p.m./EST. Brian Wolka, Member Services Director, then introduced "The Marlinaires" who sang the National Anthem. Walter Hunter gave the invocation.

Vice-President Earl Potts Schmidt assumed the podium and requested Jerry Kelley, Secretary-Treasurer, to provide the proof of quorum. Mr. Kelley reported that 588 members had registered and that this figure exceeded the required quorum of 404, which constitutes two percent (2%) of the membership. Vice-President Potts Schmidt declared a quorum present.

Secretary-Treasurer Kelley stated that written notice of the Annual Meeting had been mailed to each member of the Corporation as required by the Bylaws. Notice was mailed on June 30, 2008 in the form found on Page 3 of the June-July 2008 issue of the "Watt High Lights" membership newsletter. A "Certificate of Mailing of Notice of Annual Meeting to Members" was filed by the Secretary-Treasurer and is attached to the minutes of this meeting as Exhibit "A".

Mr. Kelley presented a summary of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of July 19, 2007, as published on Pages 6 and 7 of the June-July 2008 edition of the "Watt High Lights". Vice-President Potts Schmidt then asked for a motion approving the minutes as distributed to the membership by publication. Upon motion duly made and seconded by a voice vote, the Minutes of the 2007 Annual

Meeting were approved as published without formal reading.

The Secretary-Treasurer presented the Treasurer's Report for the year ending December 31, 2007. Mr. Kelley stated that this Financial Report was published on Pages 4 and 5 of the June-July 2008 issue of the "Watt High Lights". Mr. Kelley then opened the floor for questions or comments regarding the 2007 Financial Report as published and distributed. As there were no questions or comments from the members present, upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the detailed reading of the 2007 Financial Report was waived and the report was approved as published. Vice-President Potts Schmidt ordered the Secretary to attach a copy of the 2007 Financial Report to the minutes of this meeting as Exhibit "B".

Vice President Potts Schmidt conducted the election of directors. The director positions to be elected this year are: District 3, which includes Brown, Howard, Jefferson, Posey, and Vernon Townships, along with Washington Township west of State Road 135, all in Washington County; District 6, which represents the service areas in Center, Geneva, Marion, and Spencer Townships in Jennings County; and District 9, which represents the service areas in Pershing and Salt Creek Townships in Jackson County, Van Buren Township in Brown County, and Jackson Township in Bartholomew County.

Vice President Potts Schmidt thanked the Nominating Committees for their work. The Nominating Committees appointed by the Board of Directors were: District 3 – Edgar Earl Williams (Chairman), John M. Bush, and Tim Guthrie; District 6 – Steve Deputy (Chairman), Raymond Derringer, and Tom Gudgel; and District 9 – Jon Henning

(Chairman), Kyle Priddy, and George Rietman.

Vice President Potts Schmidt announced that these committees had nominated the following candidates: District 3 – John Trinkle and Kathleen Zelivetz; District 6 – Mark Trisler and Curtis Davidson; and District 9 – John W. Miller and Roy Hendershot, Jr. The report of the Nominating Committees is attached as Exhibit "C" to these minutes. No nominations by petition were filed. Notice of these nominations was published on Pages 8 and 9 of the June-July 2008 issue of the "Watt High Lights".

The members of the Election and Credentials Committee, which were appointed by the Board of Directors during its meeting of June 12, 2008, were introduced. These members were: Jean Day (Washington County); Phil Walker (Jackson County); Gerald Whitted (Lawrence County); Denver Hackman (Jackson County); Gary Bradley (Brown County)/absent; Wilbur Nieman (Jackson County); and Courtney Kruse (Jackson County). This committee is to collect and count the ballots for the election of directors during the annual meeting.

Vice President Potts Schmidt declared the registration of members for the Annual Meeting closed. Members present were then requested to fill out the ballots received at registration. The Election and Credentials Committee then collected the ballots from members present in the grandstand and from the two ballot boxes placed at the voting booth outside of Exhibit Building No. 2.

After the ballots were collected, President Trinkle resumed the podium and introduced those directors serving current terms: Larry Peters (District 1); Walter Hunter (District 2); Paul Elliott (District 4); Jerry Kelley (District 5);

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Richard Lambring (District 7); Earl Pottschmidt (District 8). The Attorney for the Corporation, Andrew Wright of Salem, Indiana, was also introduced. General Manager, Jed Wheatley, then introduced special guests for the evening including the following: Hoosier Energy: Thomas R. Lott, Wes McFarland, Bob Richart, Mike Walker, Chuck Martindale, Caleb Steiner, and Erik Miller. Indiana Statewide Association of REC's: Lynn Moore. Service Concepts: Steve Thrash. Orange County REMC: Eugene Roberts. Harrison County REMC: Kevin Burch and Rosetta Rothrock. Retired Employees: Pete Johnson, Don Clodfelter, and Howard Stewart. Retired Director: Von Elliott.

President Trinkle reported that the Cooperative is doing well in terms of service, current technology, cash flow, and providing economical power that is reliable. President Trinkle then expressed concern that more difficult times may be ahead for rural electricians because of the increased cost of electricity due to environmental concerns regarding carbon dioxide emissions.

Mr. Trinkle stated that the decision to join Hoosier Energy has been beneficial to the Cooperative as it is a good power generator and supplier. He also stated that the decision to join Indiana Statewide Rural Electric Cooperative Association has been a good decision as it provides many supporting services. President Trinkle noted that as population increases worldwide and more electrical power is used, carbon dioxide emissions will continue to increase. Efforts by the federal government to limit carbon dioxide emissions will have a significant impact on Indiana as 95% of its electricity is generated by the combustion of coal. He noted that this effort to control carbon dioxide emissions will result in a reduction of efficiency in power production. President Trinkle encouraged the membership to find ways to conserve uses of electrical power through modern appliances, better construction techniques, and better personal choices.

General Manager James E. (Jed) Wheatley was introduced for the presentation of his annual report. Mr. Wheatley first noted that the REMC had been in business for 70

years having supplied power to its first residence on June 28, 1938. He reflected upon the personal effort that was involved in the development of the REMC during the Great Depression. Because of those efforts, Jackson County REMC has become a vital resource to thousands of families.

Mr. Wheatley addressed the current status of rates for electrical service. He noted that Hoosier Energy had a good year in 2007 and had written a refund check of \$236,566. This money will be credited back to members by reducing electrical rates for one month. For the long term, however, rate forecasts are somber. Residential electric rates are forecast to rise in Indiana by 22% by the year 2012. Another forecast estimates that legislation to mitigate climate change could add an additional 50% to electricity prices. This will impact local electricity prices because 71 cents of every dollar of REMC revenue pays directly for the cost of wholesale power.

Mr. Wheatley noted that there is an increased interest in onsite power generation through solar panels or small wind turbines. These alternate sources of energy are not yet cost effective. Hoosier Energy is installing demonstration solar panel and wind turbine projects to obtain information for consumers regarding their relative costs. Mr. Wheatley noted that, because of the prospect of an increase in electricity prices, energy efficiency needs to be considered both in the production and use of electricity.

Mr. Wheatley reminded the membership that the REMC announced a couple of years ago that it hoped to offer broadband service that utilized electric power lines. This technology does not appear to be developing satisfactorily. Alternative means of providing broadband power service will be reviewed. New technology will also be implemented in providing delivery of core services. Payment of electric bills by the internet and telephone is being considered. Additionally, automatic electric meters should be installed for the entire system within the next two years. This equipment will enhance the capabilities of the REMC for tracking electric demand, down line voltages, and outage locations.

Mr. Wheatley concluded by making comments regarding the effects of climate change. He noted that renewable energy generation can supplement present electricity generation, but not replace it. A wide range of tools must be used to produce reliable electricity including improved coal generation, expanded nuclear generation, carbon capture and sequestration for existing coal plants, the development of hybrid electric motor vehicles and utilization of cost effective power consumption. Mr. Wheatley encouraged the membership to contact their Senators and Congressman to encourage them to insure a reliable supply of electricity and to fund the development of needed technology to make continued electricity production cost effective.

President Trinkle called upon Phil Walker, Chairman of the Election and Credentials Committee, to report the results of the election of directors. Mr. Walker announced that John Trinkle had been re-elected as the Director for District 3; Mark Trisler was re-elected as a Director for District 6; and John W. Miller was re-elected as a Director for District 9. A Certificate of Election was presented to the Secretary and is attached to these minutes as Exhibit "D".

President Trinkle thanked the Election and Credentials Committee for their work in conducting the election. He asked if there was any further business to be placed before the membership. As no further business was presented to the membership, a motion for adjournment was made, seconded, and approved by voice vote. At the adjournment of the business meeting, Brian Wolka, Member Services Director, conducted a drawing for door prizes. "The Marlinaires" provided the evening's entertainment.

Jerry Kelley, Secretary-Treasurer

Approved:

John Trinkle, President

Nominations made for 2009 election

Directors for districts 2, 5 & 8 to be elected

Directors to represent districts two, five and eight will be elected to three year terms during the business session of the 2009 Annual Meeting. Members of Jackson County Rural Electric may register and vote at the Annual Meeting, which is scheduled for Thursday, July 23, at the Jackson County Fairgrounds. Registration will begin at 5:30 PM and end at approximately 7:45 PM, when the election is conducted.

The districts involved in this year's election are:

District Two: Includes the REMC's service area in Lawrence and Monroe Counties.

District Five: Includes the REMC's service area in Scott and Jefferson Counties.

District Eight: Includes the REMC's service area in Hamilton and Owen Townships and the part of Brownstown Township lying north of the White River, all in Jackson County.

Two members have been nominated from each district by the nominating committees. Per the cooperative's bylaws, nominations will not be accepted from the floor during the Annual Meeting. The 2009 director candidates are introduced to you on this page and on page nine.

The following members were appointed by the board and served on the nominating committees:

District Two: Jeff Anderson (chairperson), Jerome Clampitt and Gary Faubion.

District Five: James (Jim) Broady (chairperson), Terry Jones and Billy M. Coomer.

District Eight: Louis Fleetwood (chairperson), Gary Wischmeier and Steve Wray.

Meet your District Two director nominees



Walter Hunter

Walter Hunter has served as District Two director since 2000 and is completing his third term on the board. He is a member of the board of directors of Indiana Statewide Association of Rural Electrics.

Mr. Hunter is a lifelong resident of Lawrence County and currently resides in Pleasant Run Township. He and wife Cynthia have five grown children and eleven grandchildren.

Mr. Hunter is a graduate of Heltonville High School and is a self-employed grain and livestock farmer. He is a member of the American Berkshire Association and is president of Lawrence County Farm Bureau, Inc. Mr. Hunter is a member and lay minister of the North Bedford Church of Christ.



Dannie Smith

Dannie Smith has been nominated as a director candidate for District Two.

Mr. Smith is a native of Gibson County in Southern Indiana and has resided in Lawrence County since 2008. He and wife Bonnie reside in Shawswick Township. They have five grown children and ten grandchildren.

Mr. Smith is a graduate of Francisco High School in Gibson County and Purdue University. He is retired after spending his career as an engineer with the Indianapolis Department of Transportation and the Indiana Department of Transportation.

Meet your District Five director nominees



Jerry Kelley

Jerry Kelly has served as District Five director since 1982 and is completing his ninth term as a director. He has served as the secretary-treasurer of the board since 1986.

Mr. Kelley is a lifelong resident of Scott County and currently resides in Finley Township. He and wife Joan have two grown children and two grandchildren.

Mr. Kelley is a graduate of Scottsburg High School and Georgetown College. He is employed as plant manager of Fewell Monuments in Scottsburg, and is a member of Bethel Baptist Church, and the Finley Township Volunteer Fire Department.



Thomas Julian

Thomas Julian has been nominated as a director candidate for District Five.

Mr. Julian is a lifelong resident of Scott County and currently resides in Finley Township. He and wife Kathleen have three grown children and two grandchildren.

Mr. Julian is a graduate of Austin High School and Purdue University, and he is a veteran of the US Air Force. He is retired from Fruedenberg-NOK after 24 years of service. Mr. Julian is a charter member of the Scott County VFW and is a member of the Scottsburg Moose Lodge.

Meet your District Eight director nominees



Earl Potts Schmidt

Earl Potts Schmidt has served as District Eight director since 1979 and is completing his tenth term as a director. He has served as the vice-president of the board since 1981. He also serves as the REMC's alternate director on the Hoosier Energy board.

Mr. Potts Schmidt is a lifelong resident of Jackson County and currently resides in Brownstown Township. He and wife Mary have two grown children and three grandchildren.

Mr. Potts Schmidt is a graduate of Brownstown High School and is retired from the family livestock and grain farm. He is a member and past elder of St. Peter Lutheran Church, a past president of the board of directors of Jackson-Jennings Farm Bureau Co-op and is past treasurer of the Jackson County Lutheran Mission Federation.



David Hall

David Hall has been nominated as a director candidate for District Eight.

Mr. Hall is a lifelong resident of Jackson County. He and wife Bradie currently reside in Owen Township. They are the parents of three-month-old twin daughters.

Mr. Hall is a graduate of Brownstown Cental High School and of Ivy Tech State College. He is owner of Hall's Crop Insurance in Brownstown and is a member and trustee of Davis Memorial Church of the Nazarene in Bedford.

Your Board of Directors



Your REMC board of directors includes (left to right) Richard Lambring, district 7; Paul Elliott, district 4; Mark Trisler, district 6; John Trinkle, district 3 and board president; Jerry Kelley, district 5 and board secretary-treasurer; Walter Hunter, district 2; Larry Peters, district 1; John Miller, district 9; and Earl Potts Schmidt, district 8 and board vice president.

Plans are in place for 71st Annual Meeting on July 23

Registration 5:30 to 7:45 p.m. - Exhibit building #2 will open at 5:30 p.m. sharp for member registration.

Free ice cream - Free hand-dipped ice cream cones will be served from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Business session and election of directors - The business session of the Annual Meeting will be called to order in the grandstand at 7:30 p.m.

Food stand to be open - The St. John Lutheran Church food stand will be selling items for a light supper through the start of the business meeting.

For the children - Magician Daniel Lusk will provide an hour of fun for the children at the pavilion beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Door prize drawing after the business meeting - You must be a registered member, and you must be present at the drawing to win a prize so plan to stay and enjoy all of the evening's events.



Magician
Daniel
Lusk

Musical entertainment by - Yorktown, Indiana's own "Cook & Belle" will provide an hour of music and fun after the close of the business meeting and the door prize drawing.

Registration Information for the 2009 Annual Meeting on July 23

Annual Meeting registration will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m. and end at 7:45 p.m. (EDT). Registration will take place in exhibit building #2 of the Jackson County Fairgrounds. Please follow these steps to help make your registration go smoothly:

1. Clip out the registration form printed on the back page.
2. Bring your form to the Annual Meeting.
3. Sign the form in front of a registration clerk.

When you register you will be given a ballot for the election of directors. You may vote before the business meeting, or you may vote during the business meeting after the nominees have been introduced. Your name will also be placed in the drawing for door prizes to be held following the business meeting. **You must be present at the drawing to claim a prize.**

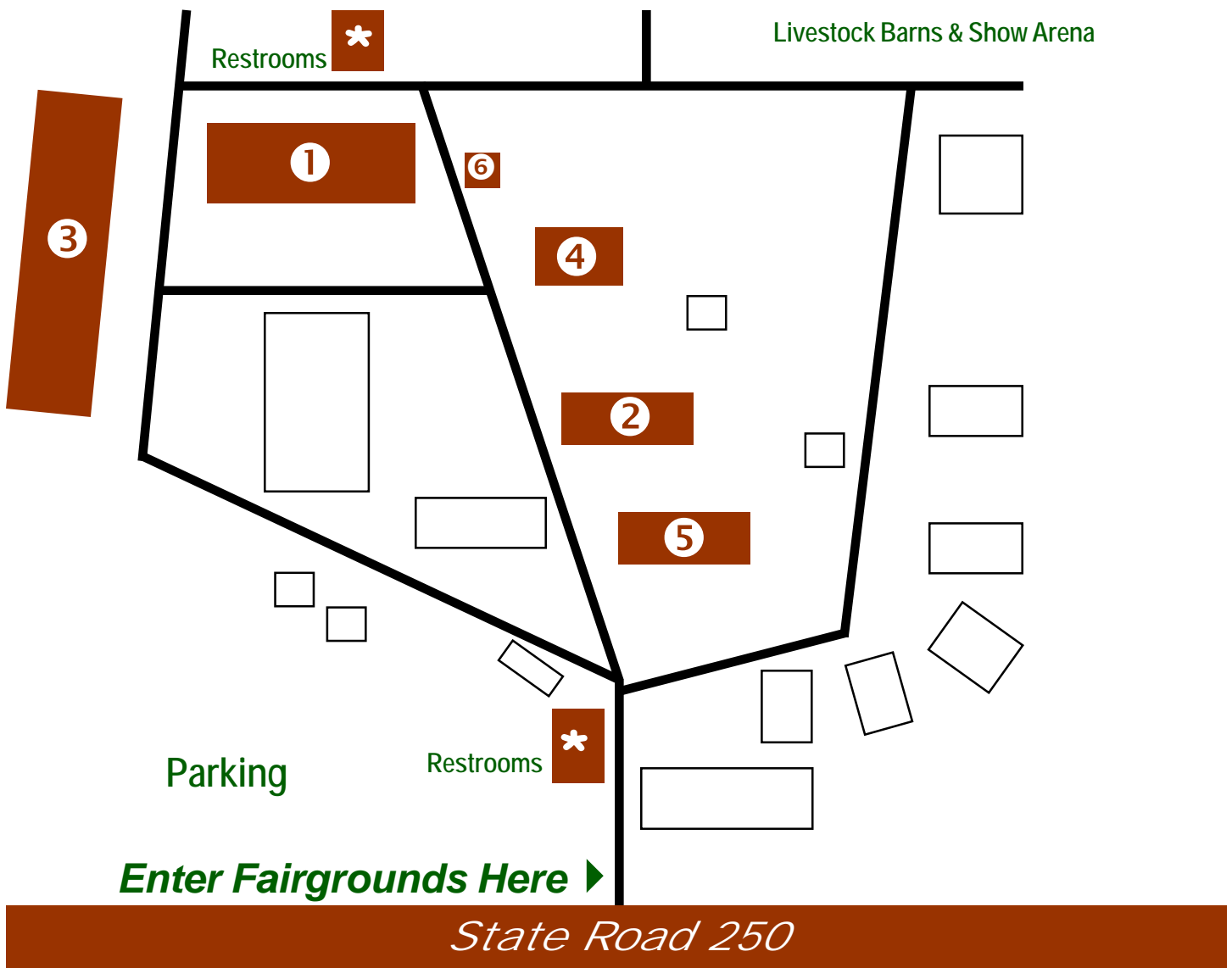
Please note: If the name(s) listed on the registration form on the back page are not correct, or if a change is desired, please contact our Billing Department as soon as possible. Only those members whose names appear on our records will be eligible to register. A member may register only once, even though more than one account may be in his or her name. A tenant may not register if an account is in the landlord's name, nor may a landlord register if an account is in a tenant's name. Agents for churches, organizations and businesses must certify that they are authorized representatives.

An election and credentials committee of appointed members will be on hand to resolve any registration problems that may arise.

2009 Annual Meeting Site Map

The 2009 Annual Meeting of Jackson County Rural Electric Members is scheduled for Thursday evening, July 23, at the Jackson County Fairgrounds. We are including a map to let you know where things will happen. Please be sure to join us for this special evening.

- ① Registration in Exhibit Building #2 from 5:30 to 7:45 p.m.
- ② Free ice cream served from the Immanuel Food Stand from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
- ③ Business session called to order at 7:30 p.m. in the grandstand; entertainment will begin about 8:30 p.m., followed by a door prize drawing and musical entertainment by "Cook & Belle"
- ④ Children's show begins at 7:30 p.m. in the pavilion
- ⑤ Sandwiches and soft drinks for sale at the Sauers Food Stand starting at 5:00 p.m.
- ⑥ A ballot box will be available for members who are not able to stay for the business meeting.



Jackson County Fairgrounds
(Located on State Road 250 on the southeast edge of Brownstown)

Annual Meeting Registration
and / or Contact Form for Legislators

- Yes! I want my Congressman and Senators to know that I am concerned about how legislation may impact the reliability and affordability of energy.

Signature

For Annual Meeting registration,
please wait to sign at
registration desk

 Our Energy, Our Future, Our Indiana
A Dialogue With America

IMPORTANT: If you would like Jackson County REMC to notify your legislators that you are concerned about how legislation may impact the reliability and affordability of energy, sign and check the box above. Bring this form to the annual meeting, or enclose it with your next bill payment if you can't attend the meeting.

We have an energy challenge, Indiana.



During these tough economic times, current legislative proposals include a carbon tax that could impact monthly electric bills for Indiana families by \$50 a month or more.

Even without a carbon cap-and-trade program, the cost of electricity is already up 40 percent since 2002 and is projected to go even higher - and today's electricity supplies won't be able to keep pace with future demand.

We don't need a quick answer, we need the right answer to keep electricity affordable and reliable.

The solutions won't be easy - but America's electric cooperatives are ready to work with Congress toward an energy plan we can all afford.

 Our Energy, Our Future
A Dialogue With America

Go to [OurEnergy.coop](#) to ask your elected officials to work with America's consumer-owned electric cooperatives for a brighter future that we can all afford.