

# BIG BEND ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.



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**659-0487**

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DIRECTORS: President Lyle Holt; Vice President Dennis Swinger Sr.; Secretary James Person; Treasurer Robert Clinesmith; Daniel Bauermeister, Melvin Kagele, Ken Story, Curtis Dahl. Manager James Johnson; Legal Counsel Kenneth D. Carpenter.

## Manager's Message

### Credit, Debit Cards

Big Bend Electric Co-op consumers may pay electric bills by credit or debit card. Procedures and restrictions regarding credit/debit card transactions are:

- We only accept Visa or MasterCard credit/debit cards.
- There is a \$5 "convenience fee" for each \$300 paid, or any portion thereof, which is added to the payment being made and charged to the credit/debit card as part of the transaction. For example, a \$200 payment requires a \$5 convenience fee, which will result in \$205 charged to the credit/debit card. A \$400 payment requires a \$10 convenience fee, which will result in \$410 charged to the credit/debit card.
- We do not keep credit card numbers on file. Therefore, we do not offer automatic credit/debit card payments. Consumers must call each time a credit/debit card payment is made.

• Credit/debit card transactions may only be made by telephone in accordance with the agreement we have with our service provider. We, therefore, do not offer over-the-counter or online/Web site payments by debit/credit card.

For more information about credit/debit card payments, please contact our office. ■

**Big Bend Electric Cooperative will be closed December 24 and 25, and January 1 in observance of Christmas and New Years.**

## - WANTED -

**Youth Tour Program Participants  
Are you:**

- A high school junior?
- Earning good grades in school?
- Able to get along well with people?
- Living in a residence receiving service from Big Bend Electric Co-op?
- Interested in learning more about electric co-ops and co-op principles?

**If so, you are WANTED by Big Bend Electric Co-op.**

**We are looking for applicants to compete for the opportunity to represent Big Bend Electric Co-op at the 2008 National Rural Electric Cooperative Association Youth Tour in Washington, D.C.**

**Applications must include a 500-word essay on a topic selected by the Co-op. For more information and an application form, contact Dale Anderson at (509) 659-1700, or toll-free at (866) 844-2363. Applications are due by January 11, 2008.**

**(This program is funded by unclaimed patronage capital specifically earmarked for cooperative education.)**

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