



# COLQUITT EMC NEWSLINE

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## 70,000 METERS SERVED IN JUNE!

*My fellow Colquitt EMC Members,*

It seems our lives always revolve around numbers. The government permanently identifies us by our Social Security number. Once upon a time, that number and our Driver's License number were the same, but someone decided our license should have its own number. We have numbers to describe all the important dates in our lives such as when we were born and maybe when we tied the knot. Numbers describe how much money we make and how much money we owe. On trips, numbers tell us how far away we are and how much longer it will take for us to reach our destination.



**Danny Nichols**  
*General Manager*

Here at Colquitt EMC, we keep track of many numbers as well. There are 41 EMCs in the state of Georgia. Of those 41 EMC's, we are the tenth largest in number of meters we serve and the tenth largest in the number of KWH's we sell. The value of all of our plant is also the tenth largest in the state. This includes poles, transformers, wire, vehicles, etc. We own and maintain the fourth largest number of miles of distribution line in Georgia.

There is one number I want to focus on today. That number is 70,429. That is the number of meters Colquitt EMC served during the month of June, 2021. June marked the first time we, as an EMC, broke our record and served over 70,000 meters. This breaking of the 70,000-meter barrier is something we have been watching and projecting for the last year or so. We have been growing throughout our system at a rate we have not seen since 2008. Our growth rate or the number of new meters we added in a given 12-month period has been approaching and exceeding two percent. This growth rate made the 70,000 meters possible in June.

You may ask yourself, "Is this number (70,429) that important?" I would say, "Yes." As we add more meters, this enables our EMC to sell more energy. The more energy we sell, the better our revenue will be. The better revenue will allow us to keep our rates as low as possible. Along with being an employee of Colquitt EMC, I am also a member; and as a member, I like the idea of keeping my rates low.

So, there you have it, the story of a certain number, **70,429!!**

*Danny Nichols, General Manager*

# AUGUST IS....

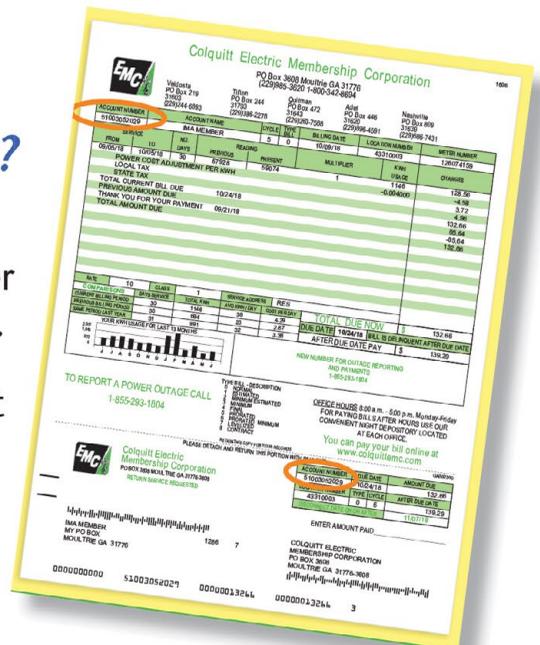
## Account Number Awareness Month

Your account number is the **key** to managing your Colquitt EMC account! August is dedicated to educating our membership on the importance of *knowing* your account number, and all the ways it can be utilized.

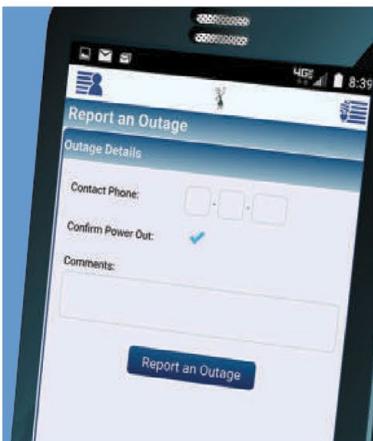
### Where is my Account Number?

Your account number is an 11-digit number located on the top left corner of your bill and on the payment stub.

We recommend storing your account number in your wallet or in your phone for easy access.



### Ways to Utilize Your Account Number



To Access Our Mobile App & Online Account Portal



To Access Our Automated Bill Pay & Outage Reporting System



To Join Our Grassroots Movement for Legislative Action

## 2021 BOARD CANDIDATES

The Nominating Committee of Colquitt Electric Membership Corporation met Wednesday, June 9, 2021, and nominated the following individuals whose names will be placed on the ballot and voted on by the Colquitt EMC membership prior to the November 2, 2021 Annual Meeting:

District 1 - Colquitt County  
**Clay Underwood**

District 5 - Lowndes County  
**Bobby Exum**

District 7 - Worth/Tift Counties  
**Gary Branch**

In addition to nominations made by the Nominating Committee, any 50 or more members may make nominations by petition. The deadline to receive nominations by petition is August 6, 2021. Members vote for directors via mail with election results presented at the Annual Meeting.\*

*\*Note: The Colquitt EMC Bylaws allow for district director elections. This means that the only members who will be voting for director positions are those who have memberships in the districts (counties) of the directors who are up for election.*



### DISTRICT 1 – COLQUITT COUNTY

#### Clay Underwood

- Served on Colquitt EMC's Board since 2018  
- Currently serving as secretary-treasurer
- Completed all required courses to earn the NRECA Credentialed Cooperative Director Certificate
- Row-crop farmer engaged in cotton, peanut and vegetable production
- Member of First Baptist Church of Moultrie



### DISTRICT 5 – LOWNDES COUNTY

#### Bobby Exum

- Served on Colquitt EMC's Board since 2006  
-Currently serving as president; has previously served as president, vice president and secretary-treasurer
- Completed all required courses to earn the NRECA Credentialed Cooperative Director Certificate
- Manages and operates his own farm in Lowndes County
- Member of Lowndes County Farm Bureau
- Member of Lowndes County Farm Service Agency Committee
- Member of Lowndes County Young Farmers
- Attends Primitive Baptist Churches



### DISTRICT 7 – WORTH/TIFT COUNTIES

#### Gary Branch

- Served on Colquitt EMC's Board since 2009  
-Has served as president and secretary-treasurer
- Completed all required courses to earn the NRECA Credentialed Cooperative Director Certificate
- Received an Associate Degree from ABAC & Bachelor of Science in Agronomy from the University of Georgia
- Farmer and Manager of Ty Ty Ag Services
- Member of Journey Baptist Church

# CELEBRATING OUR LEGACY

## NEW WEBSITE FEATURES...



On June 28, the all-new colquittemc.com went live. The new website provides a more user-friendly and member-focused experience. It has a modern and cohesive look, and is easy to navigate with the most important features prevalent on the home page.

The new website is optimized for desktop, tablet and mobile phone screens. Members can now submit information to apply for service and request a home energy audit online. The website is also full of useful information, such as energy management and energy tips. *Be sure to check out the new site if you haven't already!*

## Mark Your Calendar

### Colquitt EMC's 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

Drive-thru Meeting of Members  
November 2, 2021

Spence Field, Moultrie



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## Recipes of the Month



### Summer BLT Macaroni Salad

#### INGREDIENTS

Serves: 6

1/2 cup mayonnaise  
3 tablespoons chili sauce  
2 tablespoons lemon juice  
1 teaspoon sugar  
3 cups elbow macaroni, cooked  
1/2 cup tomatoes, seeded and chopped  
2 tablespoons green onions, chopped  
3 cups lettuce, shredded  
4 slices cooked bacon, crumbled

#### DIRECTIONS

In a large bowl, combine the first four ingredients; mix well. Add the macaroni, tomato and onions; toss to coat. Cover and refrigerate. Just before serving, add lettuce and bacon; toss to coat.



### Kale Slaw

#### INGREDIENTS

Serves: 4-6

4 cups kale (shredded)  
1/4 cup carrot (peeled, shredded)  
1/2 cup walnuts (chopped, toasted)  
1/2 cup mayonnaise  
1 tablespoon cider vinegar  
2 tablespoons sugar  
1/2 teaspoon ground allspice  
1/2 teaspoon dried oregano  
1/2 teaspoon dried thyme  
1/2 teaspoon paprika  
1/2 teaspoon cayenne  
1/3 teaspoon curry powder  
1/3 teaspoon sugar  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon fresh cracked pepper  
1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg  
1/8 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1/8 teaspoon clove

#### DIRECTIONS

Combine the kale, carrots and walnuts. Whisk together the mayonnaise, vinegar, sugar and spices. Toss with mix. Cover. Chill 1 hour.

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