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## Notice of New Rates

Dear Members,

Our mission is a simple one, we are here to provide safe, excellent service for you, our members. As a non-profit, member owned cooperative, we strive every day to hold down costs while upholding our mission and delivering the quality service you expect.

In order to provide this service, we have to ensure we are operating at a financial level to do so. In September, we hired, Guernsey, an engineering, architecture, and consulting firm from Oklahoma City to perform a cost-of-service study for Lane-Scott. The study analyzed our financial situation from 2016 through the end of our fiscal year 2020. Studies are typically done every three years, and the last study done for Lane-Scott was in January 2016. The study found an overall rate increase of 6.43% was necessary to operate at a sustainable level.

A lot has changed economically and in the electric utility industry since then. Inflation has increased about 17% since then affecting every aspect of providing electric service to you.

We wanted to make sure members had the opportunity to voice concerns and ask questions. Open meetings were held on January 12th in Ness City, on January 13th in Dighton, and on February 7th at the Lane-Scott Electric office in Dighton. Meeting notices were communicated in our newsletter in the *Kansas County Living* magazine, by automated phone calls to member numbers on file, and on our Smarthub online account management site. The Lane-Scott Board of Trustees unanimously voted to implement the proposed rate adjustments at the February 7th meeting.

Rates were effective for March 2022 usage, which are reflected on the enclosed April bill. The approved rate revisions per rate class can be found on the back of this letter. More information including frequently asked questions and answers can be found on our website at [www.lanescott.coop/rate-schedule](http://www.lanescott.coop/rate-schedule). If you have additional questions, please give us a call or stop by the office.

*The Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) has jurisdiction over charges, fees or tariffs.*

*Per KCC Article 66-104d: The KCC shall investigate all rates, tolls, charges and exactions, classifications and schedules of rates of such cooperative if there is filed with the commission, not more than one year after a change in such cooperative's rates, joint rates, tolls, charges and exactions, classifications or schedules of rates, a petition in the case of a retail distribution cooperative signed by not less than 5% of all the cooperative's customers or 3% of the cooperative's customers from any rate class. If, after investigation, the commission finds that such rates, joint, rates, tolls, charges or exactions, classifications or schedules of rates are unjust, unreasonable, unjustly discriminatory, or unduly preferential, the commission shall have the power to fix and order substituted therefor such rates, joint rates, tolls, charges and exactions, classifications or schedules of rates as are just and reasonable. The KCC can be reached by calling 1-800-662-0027.*

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# LANE-SCOTT ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

## Rates effective with March 2022 usage

Summary of Rate Revisions			
Rate Class	Existing	New	% Change
<b>Residential Service</b>			
Customer Charge	\$25.00	\$28.00	12.00%
Energy Charge per kWh	\$0.09632	\$0.10297	6.90%
<b>Non-Domestic</b>			
Customer Charge	\$15.00	\$22.00	46.67%
Energy Charge per kWh	\$0.10148	\$0.10563	4.09%
<b>Irrigation</b>			
Annual HP, per Billing HP	\$35.00	\$40.00	14.29%
Energy Charge per kWh	\$0.09556	\$0.09983	4.47%
<i>Revision to Billing Process: Members can pay all in March as before, or pay in six equal monthly payments from March through August.</i>			
<b>General Service Small</b>			
Customer Charge	\$25.00	\$28.00	12.00%
Energy Charge per kWh	\$0.10189	\$0.10767	5.67%
<b>General Service Large</b>			
Customer Charge	\$50.00	\$65.00	30.00%
Annual Kw, per Billing kW	\$12.00	\$13.00	8.33%
Energy Charge per kWh	\$0.72520	\$0.73090	0.79%
<b>Large Industrial</b>			
Customer Charge	\$100.00	\$100.00	0.00%
Annual Kw, per Billing kW	\$12.00	\$12.80	6.67%
Energy Charge per kWh			
1st 250 kWh per billing kW	\$0.06779	\$0.06920	2.08%
Next 250 kWh per billing kW	\$0.05879	\$0.05670	-3.56%
Over 500 kWh per billing kW	\$0.04979	\$0.04480	-11.23%
Primary Meter Discount	2%	2%	0
<b>Fairgrounds &amp; Athletic Lighting</b>			
Customer Charge	\$15.00	\$17.50	16.67%
Energy Charge per kWh	\$0.13962	\$0.12450	-10.83%
<b>Idle Services</b>			
Customer Charge	\$31.50	\$31.50	0.00%
Maximum Annual Rate	\$63.00	\$378.00	500.00%
<b>Village Street Lighting</b>			
Area Lighting (per bulb, per month)	\$8.66	\$9.46	9.24%
<b>Heat Pump Rider</b>			
Heat Pump Charge, per each	\$2.00	\$2.00	0.00%
Heat Pump Credit, per kWh	(\$0.03)	(\$0.03)	0.00%
<b>Security Lighting (Frozen) *</b>			
<u>Security (Decorative) Lighting Service</u>			
75% Coop Single Globe 100W HPS	\$13.91	\$15.19	9.20%
25% Coop Single Globe 100W HPS	\$8.47	\$9.25	9.21%
75% Coop Multi-Globe 100W HPS	\$8.30	\$9.07	9.28%
<u>Security (Decorative) Lighting Service</u>			
MV:175; HP Sodium: 100	\$6.42	\$7.01	9.19%
MV:400; HP Sodium: 200	\$11.14	\$12.17	9.25%
MV:400 flood; HP Sodium: 150	\$12.71	\$13.88	9.21%
MV:1000 flood; HP Sodium: 400	\$21.29	\$23.25	9.21%
<u>Street Light Service Dawn to Dusk</u>			
100 Watt Incandescent	\$2.66	\$2.91	9.40%
<u>Vapor Street Lighting / Ornamental Service</u>			
MV: 175; HP Sodium: 100	\$7.30	\$7.97	9.18%
MV: 400; HP Sodium: 200	\$9.70	\$10.59	9.18%

\*While street lighting will remain available to the cities we serve, private lighting rental is no longer available for new services, therefore "frozen". If you currently have a private security light, we will continue to service these lights in the near term, but will be phasing them out. Once a light is disconnected it is no longer eligible for reconnection.