



CGEMC Providing Reliable Service

In 2014, Central Georgia EMC completed a three-year smart grid upgrade to our distribution system with the implementation of Fault Location, Isolation, and Service Restoration (FLISR) software. With FLISR deployed, CGEMC expected to reduce both the size of outages and length of restoration times. FLISR uses electronic reclosers and communication networks to sense a fault automatically, isolate power line damage, and restore service to as many customers as possible.



Now that the system has been in operation for more than a year, we would like to share some of the results. Since November 2014, the FLISR system has operated 33 times, saving about 1.4 million customer outage minutes. CGEMC tracks three metrics to understand the reliability performance of the distribution system.

The reliability metrics are summarized below.

Reliability	5-Year Average (2010-2014)	2015 Average
SAIDI	129 minutes	69 minutes
<i>Tracks the total outage time per customer, on average annually.</i>		
SAIFI	1.53 times	0.95 times
<i>Tracks how often customers are affected by an outage, on average annually.</i>		
CAIDI	84 minutes	73 minutes
<i>Tracks how long on average it takes us to restore service during an outage.</i>		

From this information, you can see that the reliability for the CGEMC system has improved considerably. Customer outage time has been cut almost in half, and when an outage occurs, we restore power quickly.

HOLIDAY NOTICE

CGEMC's office will close Monday, May 30, 2016, in observance of Memorial Day. In case of a power outage, please call our 24-hour automated system at 770-775-7857 or 800-222-4877 for an immediate response. System operators are on duty to assist you. Outages may also be reported using our Central Georgia EMC Mobile App, available in the Apple App Store and from Google Play Store.



CUSTOMERS DUE

REFUNDS

Brandywine Homes GA
 Bryson, Robert D.
 Circle B Roofing
 Daniel, Keith Michael
 Merritt, Patricia
 Newman, Jory M.
 Niblett, Dina
 Nelson, Natalie
 Quintero, Andrew J.
 Ridgeway, Cynthia
 Stallworth, Tiffany
 Stansberry, Rebekah M.B.
 Speir, Adam Isaac
 Wright, Tameka
 Yates, David A.



Energy Efficiency

Tip of the Month



Avoid placing lamps or TV sets near your room air-conditioning thermostat. The thermostat senses heat from these appliances, which can cause the air conditioner to run longer than necessary.

WELCOME TO YOUR...



Central Georgia EMC

ANNUAL MEETING

Central Georgia EMC's 79th ANNUAL MEETING



Wednesday, August 3, 2016, at CGEMC's Annex Courtyard
 1083 Mulberry St. Jackson, GA 30233
 Registration begins at 9 a.m.

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SUMMARY OF BYLAWS ON ANNUAL MEETING; MEMBERSHIP; NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS; AND BOARD REPRESENTATION

ANNUAL MEETING DATE WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2016

The Bylaws of the cooperative require that the Annual Meeting be held each year at such date, time, and place in one of the counties in Georgia within which the cooperative serves, and beginning at such hour, as the Board of Directors shall from year to year designate. The purpose of the meeting is to elect directors, to pass upon reports covering the previous fiscal year, and to transact such other business as may come before the meeting. The Board of Directors has set the Annual Meeting for Wednesday, August 3, 2016, at 10 a.m. at the Central Georgia EMC Annex Courtyard, 1083 Mulberry Street, Jackson, Ga. 30233.

COOPERATIVE MEMBERSHIP

Each member who is not in a status of suspension, as provided for in Section 2.01 of the Bylaws, shall be entitled to only one vote upon each matter submitted to a vote at any meeting of the members. Any person, firm, or corporation may become a member of the cooperative by filing an application for membership; paying a membership fee; and agreeing to purchase electric power and energy from the cooperative. The applicant further agrees to be bound by and comply with the cooperative's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, and all rules, regulations, rate classifications, and rate schedules as exist or may thereafter be adopted or amended.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE APPOINTED

The Board of Directors of the Central Georgia Electric Membership Corporation has appointed an eight-member Nominating Committee composed of:

Ms. Janice Brooks
44 Briarcliff Road
Griffin, GA 30223

Mr. Charles Dumas
1239 Juliette Road
Forsyth, GA 31029

Mr. Robert Christopher Brown
225 N. Unity Grove Road
Locust Grove, GA 30248

Mr. Dan Jordan
1726 Jordan Road
Monticello, GA 31064

Mr. Harry Clark
2161A Brownlee Road
Jackson, GA 30233

Mr. John Donald Kicklighter
5301 Seven Islands Road
Madison, GA 30650

Mr. Randy Dougherty
100 Cabin Creek Circle
Griffin, GA 30223

Mr. Hugh Franklin Weaver
2252 Highway 16 West
Jackson, GA 30233

NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING –FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016

The date set for the meeting of the Nominating Committee is Friday, May 20, 2016, at 9 a.m., at the headquarters building in Jackson, Ga. The Nominating Committee is required by the Bylaws of the corporation to post at the cooperative office in Jackson the names of nominees to the Board of Directors, at least forty-five (45) days prior to the Annual Meeting, which will be held on Wednesday, August 3, 2016.

THREE DIRECTORS TO BE ELECTED AT ANNUAL MEETING

Three directors will be elected at the Annual Meeting for three-year terms each:

- Henry, Clayton, and Fayette counties, currently Incumbent Warren E. Holder
- Morgan, Putnam, Jasper, Jones, and Newton counties, currently Incumbent J. Everett Williams and
- At-Large (Post No. 1), currently Incumbent Linda H. Jordan

OTHER NOMINATIONS

Any fifteen (15) or more members of the cooperative may nominate a cooperative member for director by filing a petition with the Secretary of the cooperative, who is D.A. Robinson, III, 923 S. Mulberry Street, Jackson, GA 30233, not less than forty-five (45) days prior to the Annual Meeting. (That is, no later than **Friday, June 17, 2016**, by the close of business at 5 p.m.) The nominations are to be posted at the office of the cooperative. Nominations may also be made from the floor at the Annual Meeting, provided that written notice of the full name of such nominee shall have been given to the Secretary of the cooperative at least forty-five (45) days prior to the Annual Meeting. (That is, no later than **Friday, June 17, 2016**, by the close of business at 5 p.m.)

Would you like to share a recipe?

If so, please send to 923 S. Mulberry St, Jackson, GA 30233, Attn: Vicki Jolley. Alternatively, submit to vjolley@cgemc.com. Please include your account number. You will receive a \$20 credit on your next electric bill for published recipes.





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Board of Directors

Chairman D.T. Hamil
Vice Chairman Warren E. Holder
Sec.-Treas. D.A. Robinson, III
J.O. Colwell
Phillip B. Ham, Jr.
Linda H. Jordan
Arthur White, Jr.
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Warm Weather Electrical Safety Tips

Make sure electrical safety is on your list while you are taking care of outside chores and projects.

- **Keep power cords away from water** because electricity and water do not mix. When dealing with electricity, be sure you are working in an entirely dry environment.
- **Inspect power tools and electric lawn mowers before every use.** Frayed power cords, broken plugs, and weathered or damaged housings can make your equipment dangerous to use. Keep tools unplugged and dry when not in use.
- **Be aware of overhead power lines.** If your spring cleaning involves using a ladder, a rooftop, or using a long-handled pool-cleaning tool, stay more than 15 feet clear of overhead power lines at all times. Treat all power lines as if they are harmful.
- **Keep your underground transformer clear of vegetation.** The large green, ground-level box in your yard houses the components of an underground electrical system. Keeping the transformer area clear of vegetation and other permanent structures provides utility workers access for maintenance and reduces the risk of electrocution. Remind children not to sit on or play near these boxes.
- **Always call before you dig.** Underground power lines are just as dangerous as overhead, and because they are buried, they are impossible to see. If your plans involve digging of any kind, make sure you call 811 to confirm you will dig safely.
- **Never fly kites, drones, or release balloons near power lines.** If you happen to get one tangled, do not try to get the item down yourself. Call CGEMC for safe removal. Make sure you never use any metallic materials in kites or balloons as they can conduct electricity back to you.

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