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CEO/GENERAL MANAGER

# Celebrate the power behind your power

## *Lineworker Appreciation Day is April 10*

On April 10, C & L Electric Cooperative is honoring our dedicated lineworkers who go above and beyond to keep the power flowing. Regardless of the time of day or challenging weather conditions, lineworkers ensure our members have safe, reliable electricity for everyday life. Being a lineworker takes years of specialized training, ongoing education, dedication and a sense of service and commitment, which truly sets them apart. National studies consistently rank lineworkers among the most dangerous jobs in the country, and for good reason.

While our lineworkers are some of the most visible employees at our co-op, we can't forget our team of highly skilled professionals working behind the scenes. Our engineers, member service representatives, information technology experts, billing and finance specialists are working together to serve our members.

C & L Electric Cooperative salutes our hardworking lineworkers, who go above and beyond the call of duty to restore power in all kinds of weather conditions. Thanks for all you do.

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**Since 2015, the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) has recognized the second Monday in April as National Lineworker Appreciation Day.**

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To our heroes in hard hats, thank you for keeping the lights on. We appreciate lineworkers for powering our communities.

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# Summary of the Bylaws of C & L Electric Cooperative Corporation

## ARTICLE I – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Any individual or Entity will become a member of C & L Electric Cooperative Corporation (the “Cooperative”) upon receipt of a Cooperative Service from the Cooperative, provided that he, she or it has first: (a) made a signed written application for membership therein; (b) agree to purchase energy from the Cooperative as hereinafter specified; (c) agreeing to comply with and be bound by the articles of incorporation, bylaws and rules and regulations of the cooperative; (d) paid the membership fee hereinafter specified; (e) provided or agrees to provide all information required by the Cooperative, which information and include photographic identification satisfactory to the Cooperative and his or her social security number or its federal tax identification number; and (f) agrees to complete any additional or supplemental documents, contrast or action required by the Cooperative.

Section 3. The term “member” shall be deemed to include married persons holding a joint membership.

Section 4. Upon the death of either spouse who is a party to a joint membership, such membership shall be held solely by the survivor.

## ARTICLE II – RIGHTS & LIABILITIES OF MEMBERS

Section 2. Members are exempt from liability for the debts of the cooperative.

## ARTICLE III – MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

Section 1. The annual meeting of members shall be held during the months of June, July, or August at such place within a county served by the Cooperative as designated by the board of directors, for the purpose of electing directors, passing on reports, and transacting other business.

Section 3. Written notice of meetings of members stating the place, day and hour of the meeting shall be delivered or mailed to each member not less than 10 days before the date of the meeting.

Section 4. One thousand (1,000) members present in person or represented by ballot shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings of the members.

Section 5. Each member shall be entitled to only one (1) vote upon each matter submitted to a vote of the members in good standing. All matters which are necessary to be voted on by the membership shall only be by mail as herein provided. The record date for determining the total membership and the members entitled to receive a ballot will be May 1, 2023.

## ARTICLE IV – BOARD MEMBERS

Section 1. The business and affairs of the cooperative shall be managed by a board of nine (9) members.

Section 2. Directors may be elected by a plurality vote of the

members voting in the election. Each director is elected for a term of five (5) years. The term of one director will expire in 2023, and each five (5) years thereafter. The cooperative area allocated to and served by the cooperative is divided into eight areas, with one (1) area represented by two (2) directors, and each of the other seven (7) areas represented by one (1) director.

Section 3. No person shall be eligible to become or remain a Board member of the Cooperative who: (a) is not a member in good standing, a bona fide resident of, and physically occupying his/her primary residence within the district of the service area of the Cooperative from which he/she shall have been or shall be elected during the six (6) consecutive months prior to the election; (b) is in any way employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise or a business selling electric energy or supplies to the Cooperative; (c) is a current employee, or is a former employee of the Cooperative whose employment with the Cooperative terminated within six (6) years of the date for determining eligibility to become a Board member, or the spouse or child of such current or former employees; (d) is a second-degree or closer relative of an incumbent director of the Cooperative, unless the incumbent director's term will expire prior to the person becoming a Board member, or (e) in the case of an incumbent director, shall have failed to attend at least seven (7) regular or special meetings of the Board during a period of twelve (12) consecutive months without extenuating circumstances.

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Membership Meeting of the C & L Electric Cooperative Corporation will be held on Thursday, June 15, 2023, at the C & L Electric Cooperative Corporation headquarters building in Star City, Lincoln County, Arkansas, beginning at 4:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. To pass on reports for the previous fiscal year;
2. To elect one director to serve a term of five years;
3. To transact such other business as may come before the meeting.

Keith Griffin

Secretary-Treasurer

Positions to be filled at the June 15, 2023, Annual Meeting:

District 3 – That portion of Cleveland and Dallas Counties served by the cooperative;

Final date for submission of petitions nominating candidates for the positions to be filled is May 16, 2023.

Instructions for preparing nomination petitions may be obtained at the C & L Electric Cooperative headquarters in Star City, Arkansas on or after April 17, 2023.

# Why is it important to update my member information?

## Update your phone number

You can take steps today to help C & L Electric Cooperatives restore your power more quickly the next time you have an outage. Your phone number is used to look up your account record when you call to report an outage. Your account record is verified against your 911 address and entered into our computer system, which sorts outage calls by location. This frees up our dispatchers to assist service personnel in locating the source of the outage and helps us restore your power more quickly!

## Update your email address

Updating your email address helps C & L Electric quickly inform our members of upcoming planned outages, rights-of-way work in your area or other important information.

Update your C & L account information through our website at [clelectric.com/update-member-info](http://clelectric.com/update-member-info) or complete the form below and return to:

C & L Electric Cooperative Corp.  
P.O. Box 9  
Star City, AR 71667

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\*Account Number \_\_\_\_\_

Updated phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Updated email address \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Account number must be included in order for information to be updated to your account.*



**ADDRESS**  
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**BOARD MEMBERS**  
Frank Wilson  
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Lawrence "Bubba"  
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