

# INTER-COUNTY ENERGY

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## Virtual energy assessments give insights toward savings

Ever wonder where your energy dollars are going? With Inter-County Energy's virtual energy assessment online application, you can analyze your home's energy use and find ways to save.

We want to encourage you to take this assessment yourself. Once you know where your energy dollars are going, you can take steps to make sure your home heating and cooling are as energy efficient as possible.

The free virtual energy assessment tool allows you to view energy usage and costs by using your billing history, actual temperature information and some information about your home. Once you enter your account ID number, as it appears on your bill, you will begin the analysis.

The virtual energy assessment is free, available at any time and only takes about 10 minutes to complete. By answering some simple questions about your home's square footage, age, number of occupants and a few other variables (including types of appliances, windows and televisions), you will find out where your energy dollars are being spent. There's also a section to help explain why your energy costs may be different from last month or last year.



The best part of the online assessment is you can learn about ways to save energy and money by making a few no-cost to low-cost changes to the home. Some of these changes are really simple, and the savings can add up over time. Plus your home will work more efficiently as we enter the time of year when a long cold snap can really drive up your monthly energy costs.

Your home's profile will be saved for whenever you want to return and

make adjustments or review recommendations for energy savings. It's a simple process, and we hope you'll find the investment of your time worth it.

Go to [www.intercountyenergy.net](http://www.intercountyenergy.net) and click on Virtual Energy Advisor to begin your home analysis and to start learning where your energy dollars are spent, and how you can save some money by making small changes around your home.

  
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# Lori Stocker retires

The beginning of 2024 brought a change to Inter-County Energy as Lori Stocker retired with 30 years of service. She has more than 40 years of experience



TIM WEBB

in the electric utility industry. Stocker began her utility career in 1983 for Ohio Edison/First Energy before coming to Inter-County Energy in 1993 as a customer service representative.

In 2001, she became the work order/plant accountant, and in 2003 began serving as the member service assistant/cooperative communicator where she composed and edited the insert for *Kentucky Living* magazine, wrote the company newsletter and coordinated the annual meeting.

In 2008, Lori assumed the role of manager of member accounts and in February 2014, she was promoted to vice-president of office services, where she retired from on January 5, 2024.

Inter-County Energy wishes Lori a happy retirement. Thank you for your 30 years of service!

# Welcome Jarred Long

Inter-County Energy welcomes a new face to our co-op family—Jarred Long. Long started his position as a line technician on December 18. He comes to us from Elliot Electric Kentucky Inc.



MORGAN JANSEN

# ELECTRICAL OVERLOADS UNLOADING THE CIRCUIT

**Overloaded circuits can cause fires and death. Make sure your home's electrical system is up to snuff.**

To prevent problems:

- **Never plug more than two appliances into an outlet at any one time.** Don't piggyback extra appliances on extension cords or wall outlets. Use only outlets designed to handle multiple plugs.
- **Know the amount of power you're placing on an outlet or circuit.** Some recommend that each outlet or circuit should not exceed 1,500 watts.
- **Major appliances should be plugged directly into their own wall outlet** since they are heavy power users.



JOVICA ANTOSKI/ADOBE STOCK

# Christmas Blessings

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## Back to basics

### *Telling the co-op story*

Have you ever wondered why your electric cooperative sends you a magazine? It's a good question—and I'm excited to explain.

When the electric cooperative movement began in Kentucky during the 1930s, not everyone understood what electric co-ops were, the problems they solved or the values for which they stood. Co-op leaders saw the need to create a publication that would help people understand the cooperative story, offer practical tips and education, advocate for co-ops during challenging times and celebrate our local people and places.

This magazine was created for just that purpose. Every month, *Kentucky Living* magazine reminds readers what co-ops are and what we stand for. A quick refresher: Inter-County Energy exists to make life better in our community. We do this by providing safe, reliable electricity at the lowest possible rate, by donating time and money to worthy causes in our community and by responding to your needs as our consumer-members. We are owned by you and governed by a board that you elect.

*Kentucky Living* also offers us a way to share practical tips and educational materials each month. Electricity is an essential service, but it can be dangerous, and we want to make sure everyone in your household knows how to stay safe. We offer tips for energy efficiency, as winter weather affects each one of us, and we share information about electrical topics, helping you understand how your power is generated, how



it's transmitted and distributed and how Inter-County Energy responds in the event of an outage.

Your magazine also keeps you informed about energy challenges that could impact you as a cooperative consumer-member. Those challenges have changed throughout the decades, and Kentucky's electric cooperatives have always risen to the occasion. For more than a year, we've been updating you on grid reliability. This month, our cover story explains how demand for electricity is increasing, and at the same time, federal government policies are reducing sources of reliable electricity. In this climate, it's our responsibility to make sure you have all the facts.

Finally, your magazine celebrates the people and places that make our community special. You can't read *Kentucky Living* without feeling the local pride we share. And with topics including travel, food, economic development, agriculture, home and garden, the great outdoors and so much more, there's always something for everyone.

*Kentucky Living* is one more example of Inter-County Energy's mission to make life better in the communities we serve. Thanks for reading, and for being part of our cooperative family.

#### OUR MISSION

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