

Electricity Options for West Wetaskiwin REA Members

Members of the West Wetaskiwin REA will always receive their energy distribution from their REA. The Distribution Tariff is established annually by the elected Board of Directors and covers the cost to successfully operate the system and the REA.

West Wetaskiwin REA does not produce or sell electricity. Members have options regarding who they receive their electricity services from, and that decision in no way changes the distribution of that electricity.

Members, like other Albertans, have the option to remain on the Regulated Rate Option (RRO) or to enter into a contract with an electricity retailer.

Regulated Rate Option (RRO)

It is important to realize that the RRO is not a “regulated” rate despite the name. Rather, this rate fluctuates monthly and is influenced by several factors, including supply and demand, weather, and electricity market pricing to name a few.

The RRO is a default rate that ensures all Albertans are eligible to receive electricity. If someone does not enter into a contract with a retailer, or is refused a contract option from a retailer, then they automatically default to the RRO.

Battle River Power Coop provides the RRO to West Wetaskiwin REA and is currently precluded from providing retail electricity contracts to West Wetaskiwin REA members.

Retail Electricity Suppliers and Contracts

Throughout Alberta, there are numerous retailers (suppliers) offering contracts in various geographic areas.

West Wetaskiwin REA Members, as other Albertans, can enter into a contract with a retailer that offers specific conditions including a consistent monthly rate, a specified term applicable to the contract, etc. Members are encouraged to review any contractual terms carefully. For more information on electricity retailers, please refer to the Utility Consumer Advocate at 310-4822 (toll-free in Alberta) or visit the website: ucahelps.alberta.ca.

Current electricity retailers offering services to the West Wetaskiwin REA are:

- Active Business Services
- Alberta Cooperative Energy
- Campus Energy
- Direct Energy
- Hudson Energy
- Link Energy
- Utility Networks & Partners Inc. (Fluent Utilities, Spot Power, Camrose Energy)
- Xoom Energy Canada ULC

This list may change and members are encouraged to check the REA website: www.westwetaskiwinrea.com for the most current listing.



For Power Troubles:

Battle River Power Coop (our distribution system operator)
Toll-free: 1-877-428-3972

For RRO Billing and Account Inquiries:

Battle River Power Coop | Box 1420 Camrose, Alberta T4V 1X3
Toll-free: 1-877-428-3972
E-mail: brpc@brpower.coop | Website: www.brpower.coop

For REA Inquiries, New Service and Service Change Requests:

Contact West Wetaskiwin REA, RR #1
Station Main, Wetaskiwin, Alberta T9A 1W8
Tel: 780-335-9378 (WEST)

E-mail: westwet@telus.net | Website: www.westwetaskiwinrea.com

For service requests: go to www.westwetaskiwinrea.com/new-or-changes-to-services.html

West Wetaskiwin REA is Proud to Introduce the 2021 **Scholarship Winners.**

Annually the West Wetaskiwin REA offers two scholarships of \$1,000 each for children of West Wetaskiwin REA members. The scholarship is open to students in either diploma or degree granting programs. Other considerations include the applicant's community involvement, financial need and academic achievement. Applications are reviewed, and winner determined, by the REA scholarship committee comprised of Directors of the Board. This year Director Ken Adair had the pleasure of presenting cheques to the winners, Emma Ewart (left) and Aliah Meyer (right).



★ Emma Ewart

Emma Ewart is registered at the University of Alberta in the Bachelor of Science – Nutrition and Food Science Program. This program is of particular interest to her as she is “passionate about restoring joy to the topic of food and nutrition” while providing reliable, relatable information. This will allow her to pursue a career as a Registered Dietitian and/or other nutrition specialist positions.

She has been an active participant in her church's youth programs, including their leadership program. She trained in various styles of dance (ballet, tap, jazz, and lyrical to name a few) and in addition to performing in competitions and festivals, she assisted younger groups with instruction help and mentoring.

Her references state, “Her ability to persevere and never give minimum effort will cement her achievements in all future endeavors.” She is noted to have “been a leader to many peers and a vocal champion of equity for all.” These traits will undoubtedly position her in the forefront of her chosen field.



★ Aliah Meyer

Aliah Meyer is registered in the Medical Lab Assistant Program offered through Red Deer College.

Aliah takes great pride in her community involvement which included volunteering for the Lakedell Fair, Mulhurst Days, the Brightview Baptist Church Vacation Bible School and the Pigeon Lake Preschool.

She swam competitively for the Wetaskiwin Junior Lifesaving Club and coached at the Manluk Centre.

While attending Pigeon Lake Regional School, she achieved honour roll throughout high school, was editor of the school yearbook for several years and received the Clayton Monaghan Scholarship during her last year.

Her references indicate she is “very compassionate, thoughtful and never misses an opportunity to help others.” It is also noted she “excels and accepts new challenges with great attitude and drive” – qualities that should stand her well in her chosen career.

**Regulated
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The Regulated Rate Option (RRO) may increase or decrease from month to month as it is priced on the open market and subject to many factors relating to supply and demand. It is not a 'regulated' rate, rather is a default rate. If you do not have a contract with an electricity retailer, then you are on the RRO. For December 2021, the RRO is priced at \$0.12500 per kWh, reflected on your enclosed orange bill. For January 2022, the Battle River Power Coop monthly RRO billing rate is \$0.16280.

Members are free to purchase electricity services from a retailer of their choice. For a list of retailers, visit ucahelps.alberta.ca or call 310-4822 (toll free in Alberta).

Information on West Wetaskiwin REA's Code of Conduct Regulation Compliance Plan can be found on our website: www.westwetaskiwinrea.com