

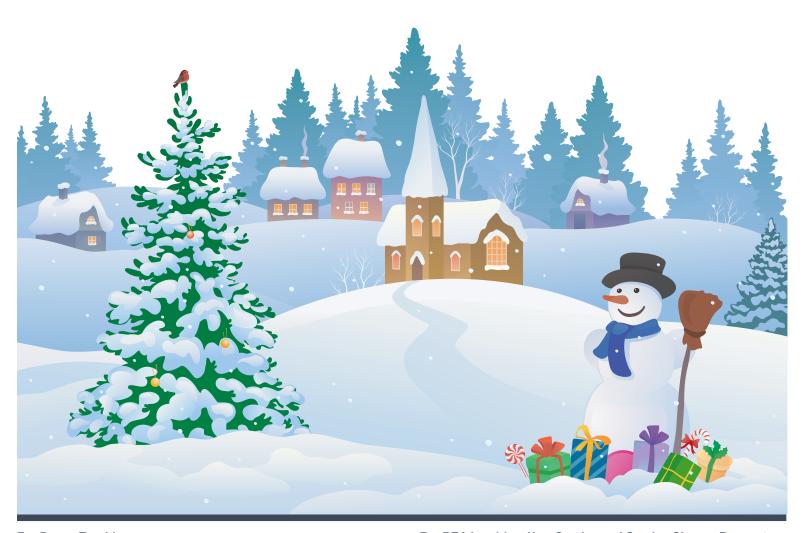
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MEMBER NEWSLETTER

November 2023

Wishing you a season filled with warmth, joy, and festive cheer!

On behalf of the West Wetaskiwin REA Board of Directors and staff, we extend our heartfelt wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. We are immensely grateful for the unwavering support of our members, which has been the cornerstone of our community's strength. May your celebrations be merry and bright, surrounded by the love of family and friends.



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 <u>www.westwetaskiwinrea.com/new-or-changes-to-services.html</u>

Christmas Light Safety

Inspect Before Use: Check all lights for any signs of damage like frayed wires, broken sockets, or cracked insulation. Discard damaged lights.

Turn Off When Unattended: Always turn off Christmas lights when leaving the house or going to bed to prevent potential fire hazards.

Use Outdoor Lights Outdoors: Ensure that lights designated for outdoor use are used outside. Indoor lights may not be built to withstand weather conditions.

Avoid Overloading Outlets: Do not overload electrical outlets. Follow the manufacturer's guidelines for the maximum number of light strands that can be connected together.

Mind the Wattage: Pay attention to the wattage of the lights you're using and do not exceed the recommended wattage for the sockets.

Keep Away from Flammable Materials: Position lights and decorations away from flammable materials, such as curtains.

Use Extension Cords Wisely: If using extension cords, make sure they are rated for outdoor use and are in good condition. Avoid creating tripping hazards.

Consider LED Lights: LED lights generate less heat than traditional incandescent lights, reducing the risk of fire. They are also more energy-efficient.

YOUR

A Crucial Reminder to Keep Equipment Accessible and Hazard-Free

Members are reminded that locks are prohibited on REA equipment. This deters our contractors from gaining access during maintenance or power outages. Thank you for your cooperation.

SAVE The West THE Wetaskiwin DATE! **REA Board** of Directors cordially invites you to save the date for our Annual General Meeting that will be taking place in March. Keep an eye on the newsletter and our website for more details about the AGM as we get closer to the date.

We Want YOU to Join Us on The Board of Directors

We're calling for Board of Director Nominations. Shape the future of our organization and contribute to its success.



Regulated Rate Option



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 November 2023, the RRO is priced at \$0.15048 per kWh, reflected on your enclosed orange bill. For December 2023, the Battle River Power Coop monthly RRO billing rate is \$0.18339.

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).