

### Manager's Report

By Chet McWhorter, CCPPD GM

If there's one area that I receive more comments and questions from than rates, I don't know what it would be. Often it is regarding the capacity charges, what goes into a kilo-watt-hour charge, or simply what are you guys doing with my money? All valid questions and worth taking the time to try to tackle.

Did you know that 61% of your power bill is power supply costs? Said another way, about 61 cents of every dollar collected goes to NPPD to pay for power and about 39 cents is what we use to operate our system. The 39 cents covers how that energy is delivered to you and is used to maintain our service territory, roughly 725 square miles with an average of less than 3 meters per mile.

The distribution portion, the capacity charge area if you will, is the 39%. This is mainly a fixed cost and is reflected on your bill in such a manner. It is used to recover the costs incurred in providing you



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access to the electric system. Some of these costs are: facilities, poles, wires, transformers, substations, vehicles, equipment maintenance, technology, and other equipment and systems that help us maintain a safe and reliable system. Our infrastructure inventory includes over 18,000 poles, over 1200 miles of line and 12 substations. Also included are metering, accounting, billing, customer services, administrative and operating personnel.

Not unlike a car, it is necessary to maintain the electrical system. In a vehicle, even if proper

maintenance has been done, the engine, tires, brakes, shocks, etc. will need to be replaced and eventually a new vehicle will become necessary. This is true for the electrical system operated by the power district. We have been around for 80 years and very little of the original system is left in place. CCPPD is constantly at work maintaining the electrical system to provide you with reliable and safe service. The fixed costs that were initially incurred to provide a customer/owner with service have been replaced with new fixed costs as CCPPD performs necessary maintenance to keep the system operating in a safe and reliable manner.

Hopefully this helps explain what goes into the cost of your electricity. If you have any questions or comments please reach out. My email address is: [cmcwhorter@ccppd.com](mailto:cmcwhorter@ccppd.com), my office number is: 402-372-2463 Extension 221 and my cell number is: 402-380-0146. Thanks again for taking the time to read, I really appreciate it!



## In Memoriam

### Betty Weiler

We would like to extend our warmest sympathies to Cuming County Public Power District board member Dennis Weiler and his family. Dennis's wife, Betty, passed away at home surrounded by family on April 30, 2018. Dennis and Betty have been life-long West Point area residents and have lived north of town since they were married on April 30, 1960.

Dennis has been a Cuming County Public Power District board member since 1995. They have six children, 12 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Betty will be deeply missed. She was such a kind person and was so nice to talk to. Her smile was one that no one will forget.



**Betty Weiler**

June 25 1941 - April 30 2018

## Committed to **Safety** Excellence

**HARD HAT** - Protection from falling debris and safety from coming into contact with energized conductor.

**FLAME RESISTANT SHIRT** - Protects a line-man from a burn in the event of a contact.

**RUBBER SLEEVES** - Protects linemen's arms from unintentional electrical contact.

**RUBBER GLOVES** - Tested for protection from electrical contact.

**RUBBER GLOVE PROTECTORS** - Worn over the insulated rubber gloves to protect the rubber gloves from tearing or being punctured.

**REFLECTION** - To make linemen more visible in high traffic areas or in the dark.

**WORK BOOTS** - Composite-toe to protect from falling debris and extra arch support for climbing.



**FLAME RESISTANT JEANS** - Protects linemen from burns in the event of an electrical contact.

**SAFETY HARNESS** - Protection when working in elevated positions. Attaches to the boom on the truck.

**HEARING PROTECTION** - To protect the ears when working with loud machinery.

**SAFETY GLASSES** - Blocks hazardous glare, particularly when working on energized lines.

**HOT STICK** - Insulated tool for moving or adjusting live electrical equipment.





## Retirement Celebration

Long-time Cuming County Public Power District employee, Jim Yosten, has retired. Jim has worked for CCPPD for over 32 years. He started in 1986 as a groundman learning about lineman duties while on the job. After enough experience, he then moved into the Journeyman lineman position. Meter Technician was also one of his titles for many



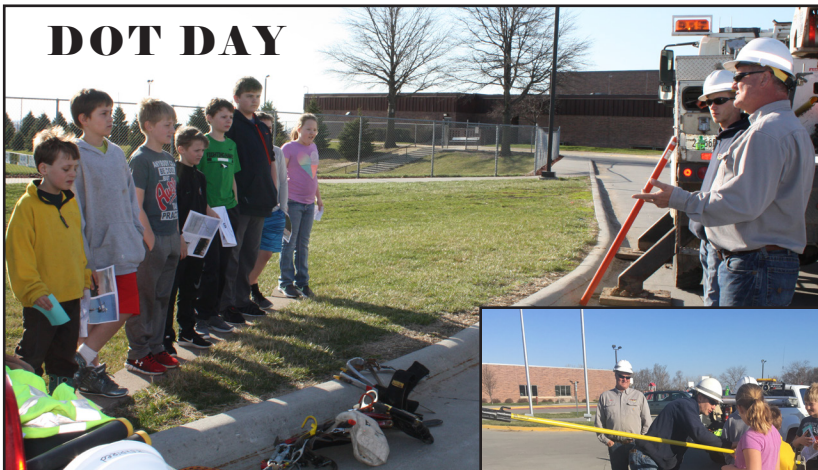
years. He ended out his time at CCPPD as a Working Foreman.

On Thursday, April 19th, we celebrated Jim's retirement with his lovely family and many friends. We had such a nice turn-out and enjoyed the time we spent with everyone that stopped in. Thank you for sharing your time to honor Jim.

We want to wish Jim the very best in his retirement and hope he enjoys his time with family.

# Happy Father's Day

## DOT DAY



**April 27th was DOT (Do Other Things) Day at West Point-Beemer Schools. Scott Case & Tristan Bettenhausen spoke to the kids about electrical safety & answered many great questions. Thank you for inviting us!**



Some People  
call me a  
**Lineman**



THE MOST IMPORTANT  
CALL ME  
**DAD**



# Featured CCPPD Employee

## Mary Troyer



Mary Troyer is the accounting supervisor at Cuming County Public Power District. She has worked at CCPPD since July 2005. She handles accounts payable, payroll, work orders, document vault

and electric plant accounting. Before working full-time for the District, she worked for a few years in the accounting department for CCPPD employed by ASI.

The Relay For Life keeps Mary busy throughout the year. She is very active in the Cuming County Relay For Life and assists many other county Relay events as well.

In her free time Mary also enjoys reading, sewing, crocheting, camping and spending time with her grandchildren.



Mary and her husband, Randy, live north of West Point on a farm. Her daughter, Heather, and three grandchildren, Nicole, Jaxon & Zander, live in West Point. Her son Adam, wife Nellie and sons, Hudson and Everett live in Lincoln.

Please help us thank Mary for her dedicated service to Cuming County Public Power District.

**Attention:** Customers that no longer have a land-line or have changed their phone number, please call us to update your information. We call for planned outages and many times we have no phone number. Please call us at 402-372-2463 or email [ccppd@ccppd.com](mailto:ccppd@ccppd.com).

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Regular meetings of the CCPPD Board are normally held on the second Wednesday of each month at the CCPPD office  
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