

OUTLET

Chugach Electric Association, Inc.

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Plans underway for 2021 Annual Meeting & Election

As we head into a new year, Chugach staff is already making plans for the 2021 annual meeting and election. The annual meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 18. Details are being worked out, but with the COVID-19 pandemic still impacting communities, the platform will likely be virtual as it was in 2020. More information will be available in upcoming Outlets and other Chugach communication.

Nominations open for one board seat

Voting in the annual election will begin in mid-April. One candidate will be elected to a 4-year term on the Chugach Board of Directors. Members who are interested in being considered by the Nominating Committee, or running by petition, should call (907) 762-4791 to obtain a candidate packet. Candidate applications and resumes for the Nominating Committee's review must be received by 5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2021.



2020 Virtual Annual Meeting

Members may submit proposed bylaw changes for consideration by the Bylaws Committee until 5 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 1, 2021.

Bylaw proposals or candidate nominations should be submitted to: Laurel Foster, PO Box 196300, Anchorage, AK 99519-6300 or laurel_foster@ chugachelectric.com.

More information and forms may be found at www. chugachelectric.com/media/annual meeting or by calling (907) 762-4177.

Rate changes effective in January 2021

Beginning in January 2021, Chugach's electric rates are decreasing for all customer classes. This is the first rate change following Chugach's acquisition of ML&P.

Chugach has two rate districts: North and South. The North District is the ML&P legacy service area and the South District is the Chugach legacy service area. Chugach filed a request with the Regulatory Commission of Alaska that results in residential bill reductions (based on 600 kWh) to North District members by 9.6% and South District members by 2.7%, effective with the first billing cycle in January 2021. The RCA approved the rate changes on December 31, 2020. The rate impacts to commercial classes will be similar.

The reductions are attributed to the combining of fuel and purchased power costs on the system, the application of a Beluga River Unit (natural gas) contributed capital adjustment, and a rebate provided by the Municipality of Anchorage to North District members.

The larger reduction to Chugach North District members is primarily attributed to the rebate provided by the MOA in the utility sale that returns equity contributions realized from ML&P legacy members. The rebate totals \$36 million and is being provided as an offset to North District member rates through 2023.

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Hundreds of turkeys donated to charity

Chugach continued its tradition of helping to feed residents of Anchorage during the holiday season by donating 450 turkeys to 10 local non-profits. The holiday turkey delivery occurred the week of Dec. 7.

"Staying connected to the community and helping our neighbors is a priority at Chugach," said CEO Lee Thibert. "Particularly in this year of the COVID-19 pandemic when

we know the need is even greater, we are pleased to be able to continue this tradition."

This is the 19th year Chugach has donated turkeys to local non-profits to help fill the need for holiday meals and food baskets throughout the local area. The turkeys are purchased from Carrs/Safeway and distributed to the charities.

Support for Anchorage families

Chugach employees donated dozens of toys in support of the Salvation Army's Angel Tree Program. The Angel Tree is a holiday assistance program where new clothes and toys are provided to Anchorage families in need. Chugach has participated in the program for several years. In addition to the toys, employees also donated \$1,300 in cash and gift cards to purchase clothes and other needed items. {128947}



Chugach South Campus

5601 Electron Drive Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Chugach North Campus

Drive-thru window only 1120 East 1st Avenue Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Member Services Phone

(907) 563-7366 Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Are you facing a financial hardship due to COVID-19?

We are encouraging our members facing a financial hardship due to COVID-19 to fill out the hardship and deferred payment forms that our posted on our website. Signing the forms allows you to delay payment during the pandemic.

Make sure you have your Chugach member number available (found on a billing statement) before beginning your form completion. Members can call (907) 563-5060 for assistance.



Switch your ceiling fan's blade rotation

Chances are you've never thought about what direction your fan is spinning, but the blades' rotation can actually help you save on your winter heating bill! Hot air rises, so reverse your fan's blades to a clockwise rotation to help push that warmth right back down \(\) to you.





Member number hide-n-seek

Find your member number {in brackets} in the Outlet and get a \$100 credit on your electric bill. Call Chugach's service center at 563-7366 to claim your prize.

