

## JCE Board of Directors approves retirement of more than \$1.5 million in capital credits!

Being a co-op member has benefits. Unlike investor-owned utilities, cooperatives like Jo-Carroll Energy share excess revenue back with the consumer-members we serve in the form of capital credits. It's one of the things that sets co-ops apart.

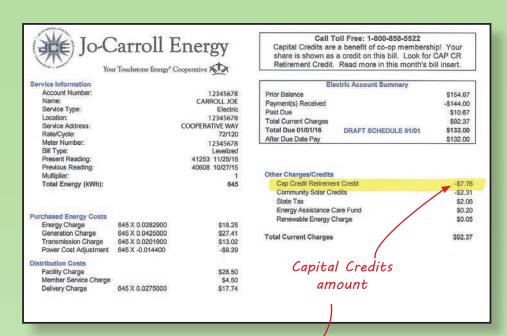
This December, Jo-Carroll Energy will retire over \$1,500,000 in capital credits to approximately 23,000 members and former members who will receive a check or bill credit for their capital credits.

Active members who receive capital credits up to \$599.99 will see this as a bill credit on their December statement. Active members with retirements of \$600 or more and all inactive members receive checks. Minimum check amount is \$10; any amount less than \$10 is held in the member's name until the minimum is reached.

We are proud to support our members and communities by putting money back into the pockets of those we serve!

The JCE board and staff thank you for being a member. We wish you and your family the very best this holiday season.





## **Look for your Capital Credits**

retirement amount as a bill credit on your December statement!

Receiving capital credits is a unique aspect of being a cooperative member and owner. Capital credits represent your investment in Jo-Carroll Energy.

Your retirement is based on energy purchased in 1996 and/or through 2020, and is a direct benefit of your cooperative membership in Jo-Carroll Energy. This amount is for the total credits you earned in 1996 plus 5% of all remaining credits earned from 1997 through 2020, at a discounted rate. Capital credits are based on how much energy you purchased during those years.

## **Invoice Bills** Other Charges/Credits Appears with -\$20.47 Miscellaneous Charges: \$6.03 IL Tax: Miscellaneous \$0.00 Municipal Franchise Tax: Yard Light(s): Load Management Credit: \$0.00 Charges \$0.00 **Account Summary** \$470.65 **Unpaid Balance**

## How Capital Credits Work.



When you or your business establishes service with Jo-Carroll Energy, you become a member.



Jo-Carroll Energy carefully tracks how much energy (or broadband services) you purchase from the co-op.



In years that Jo-Carroll Energy earns positive margins, you are allocated your portion of the previous year's margins based on the amount of services purchased.\* •



Your investment in the co-op is returned.

Each year, the Jo-Carroll Energy board evaluates the financial condition to determine if we can "retire" or refund capital credits.



Over the years, your investment is used to fund capital needs such as power line construction, transformers, trucks, inventory and other equipment.



The cooperative carefully tracks the allocations in your accounts as your investment in the co-op.

<sup>\*</sup>Margins for electric, natural gas and broadband internet are allocated separately.