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District 1 - Jemez Springs, Jemez Pueblo, Zia Pueblo, Surrounding areas

Vice President, Manuel Bustos

District 5 - La Mesilla, San Pedro & north up to Alcalde

Secretary, John Ramon Vigil

District 4 - Santa Clara Pueblo north to Medanales including Lyden & La Canova west of the Rio Grande River

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Asst. Secretary/Treasurer

Stanley Crawford, District 5 - Velarde, Dixon & other areas located in Rio Arriba County east of the Rio Grande River

Dennis Gallegos, District 3 - Abiquiu & the Cañones, Coyote, Gallina, Llaves & Lindrieth areas

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Elias Coriz, District 5 - Chimayo & all other areas in Rio Arriba County east of the Rio Grande River

Marcelina Martinez, District 6 - Santa Cruz & surrounding areas located in Santa Fe County

Bruce Duran, District 6 - Nambe, Pojoaque, surrounding areas located in Santa Fe County

Marissa Maestas-Muller, Trustee-At-Large - represents the entire cooperative area at large

We need you at coming district meetings!

It is urgent that JMEC update its bylaws to operate more efficiently and professionally. We have not been able to do so because one of our outdated bylaws requires a 5 percent quorum at our annual meeting – something that JMEC has not accomplished in decades.

Your board of trustees has authorized hosting meetings for each district this July and August at which we will propose for member vote changes to two or three bylaws in most immediate need of updating. The quorums for each district meeting range from a low of about 80 (District 3) to nearly 350 (District 5). We are talking up at every opportunity the importance of our members attending their district meetings. Watch for news of the date, time and location of your district's meeting and **please plan to attend – we absolutely need you to be there so we can make these critical bylaw updates. And, drawings will be held for some great prizes!**

Those prizes, awarded at each district's meeting, include **75-inch TVs and a selection from among the best of JMEC's retired vehicles. The grand prize – a UTV – will be awarded at the Jemez Mountains Electric Cooperative, Inc., annual meeting on Sunday, August 28, 2022.** Be on the lookout for your district's trustee, JMEC staff and your fellow members asking for your commitment to attend your very important district meeting. **Thank you!**

Sincerely,

Board of Trustees, Jemez Mountains Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Dennis Trujillo, Board President

Statewide Association Membership Brings More Safety Resources to JMEC

Safety is our ever-present priority. One of the many benefits of JMEC rejoining the New Mexico Rural Electric Cooperative Association (also known as the "statewide") is being able to bring to our employees its many excellent safety resources and programs, such as the Rural Electric Safety Achievement Program (RESAP). Overseen by our own Jim Wiseman, JMEC's safety coordinator and safety committee chair, proven training that we have access to because of our statewide association membership includes working on energized lines and equipment, line clearance for tree trimming and emergency plans and procedures – all essential learnings to keep our line crews safe.

In addition, Jim leads other safety programs for the cooperative, the training and testing for our apprenticeship program, implements policies and procedures for our OSHA (Occupational Health & Safety Administration) compliance and does safety demonstrations at the JMEC annual meeting. In 2019, JMEC joined the SAFE HAVEN program for any



child that needs help – cooperative employees will provide a safe haven for any child who approaches a JMEC vehicle with a SAFE HAVEN bumper sticker and call 911 for authorities to immediately address the child's needs.

In memoriam: Marcelino Calvert



The family of Marcelino Calvert experienced a terrible loss when he passed away April 5, 2022, at the age of 39. Marcelino had served with JMEC since 2019 as a meter reader and was a good friend and valued co-worker to so many of us here

at the cooperative. To his family, Marcelino was the ultimate husband, dad, big brother, son, grandson and uncle. He would, his sister Katerie Shields said, literally give you the shirt off his back and his last dime if he knew of your need.

His passing followed the untimely death of his beloved wife of 15 years, Yvonne Calvert, in February of last year. “Marcelino and Yvonne were two peas in a pod,” Shields said. “He missed her so. As a family, we know Marcelino died of a broken heart.”

He is survived by his stepson Jerome Martinez, stepdaughter Destiny Martinez, son Marcus Calvert and daughter Anika Calvert; by his mother Laura Calvert, brother Darren Calvert and his girlfriend Brianna Maestas, sister Katerie Shields and her husband Dezjuan Shields, grandmother Gertrude Calvert, in-laws Lawrence and Helen Bustos as well as many aunts, uncles and other relatives.

JMEC rate track record shows a history of efficiency

A good start to understanding how efficiently JMEC operates is to know that your electric cooperative is one of 11 that gets its power from Tri-State Generation & Transmission – so, any comparison among all 11 of Tri-State’s cooperatives is apples to apples.

For the last 20 years, JMEC rates have been the lowest among all of New Mexico’s 11 electric cooperatives served by Tri-State G&T.

JMEC’s rates would still be the lowest among all 11 of the Tri-State electric cooperatives – for the average residential user (uses 770 kWh per month) – even if JMEC rates increased by as much as 9 percent.

Tri-State Generation & Transmission Electric Cooperatives

<u>COOPERATIVE</u>	<u>CURRENT FACILITY CHARGE</u>
1. Springer	\$ 32.40
2. Southwestern	\$ 30.00
3. Otero	\$ 30.00
4. Continental Divide	\$ 29.00
5. NORA	\$ 27.00
6. Sierra	\$ 25.00
7. Mora-San Miguel	\$ 25.00
8. Central New Mexico	\$ 21.75
9. Columbus	\$ 20.00
10. Socorro	\$ 15.00
11. JMEC	\$ 14.00

