

Paxton IL 60957-0096

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## Statement-At-A-Glance

**EIEC Member/Owner** 1234 1st Street Anywhere, IL 60957

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Previous Bill \$190.80 Late Charges \$0.00 Adjustments \$0.00 Payment - Thank You \$-190.80 **Previous Charges** \$0.00 Current Charges Electric \$202.92 **Amount Due** 

\$202.92

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You should notice a new bill format and an adjusted rate structure this month. Please read through the included PowerLines newsletter to get more information about these changes.

Touchstone Energy®

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Bill Date: Service address: 1234 1st Street	Service dates: 3/27/13 to 4/	26/13		
4/27/2013 Metering Information	Billing Information			
Rate: 1				
Current kWh reading 75156  Account number: Provious kWh reading 74013	Distribution	kWh	Rate	Amount
Previous kwii reading 74012	Base	1000	00767	40.00
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Meter number: Total kWh used 1144	Data a divertura sut	144	.01767	2.54
<b>111111111</b> kWh used last year 1046	Rate adjustment	1144	0	0
Peak kW demand 10.640	Electric Supply			
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	Transmission	1144	.01443	16.51
	Generation investment	1000	.04647 .02647	46.47 3.81
	Dower cost adjustment	144	.02647	3.81
	Power cost adjustment	1144	U	U
	Тах			0.66
	Public utility tax	1144	.0032	3.66
	Electricity Subtotal 189.92			
	Other			
	Security light rental			13.00
	Total C	urrent Char	ges	202.92
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Please show address changes I	below. Return this portion	n of bill w	ith paym	ent.
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**Amt Due** 

\$202.92

**EIEC Member/Owner** 1234 1st Street Anywhere, IL 60957

Account #

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EASTERN ILLINI ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE **PO BOX 84 PAXTON IL 60957-0084** 

5/17/2013

**Delinquent After** 

**Total Amount Due** 





\$202.92

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# Understanding the components of your electric bill

# **Billing Information**

#### Distribution

The distribution section recovers the fixed costs we incur in providing you access to the electric system. These costs include: facilities; poles; wires; transformers; substations; vehicles; service personnel; equipment maintenance; and other equipment that helps us maintain a safe and reliable distribution system. Also included are operating margins, metering, accounting, billing, member services and administrative personnel.

The *Base* amount is a set monthly charge, similar to a monthly access fee you might pay for your phone service. It represents most of the fixed costs that we incur, even if you don't use any electricity.

The *Delivery* component covers the balance of our fixed distribution costs and varies based on your kilowatt/hour (kWh) use (or kW demand for some three-phase accounts).

The *Rate adjustment* is a placeholder that will eventually allow us to make small changes to our rates on an annual basis, if financial considerations from the previous year require it. If these small changes are required, they must be approved by our board of directors and they will remain in place for the whole year. This charge could go up or down and should replace major rate increases every few years. We do not expect to use this line item in 2013.

### **Electric Supply**

The *Energy* portion recovers the actual cost of the electricity that you use. We get electricity from our wholesale power provider, Prairie Power, Inc. (PPI). PPI is made up of ten Illinois electric cooperatives (including EIEC) that banded together to increase our collective buying power.

The *Transmission* portion of your bill consists of the costs we pay to get electricity from power plants over high-voltage electric lines to the 25 substations on our distribution system. It is charged by the owners of the transmission lines.

The *Generation investment* is based on your kWh use and represents our long-term investment (through PPI) in the Prairie State Energy Campus and other smaller power plants. This investment has enabled us to secure 30 years of stable energy pricing and will certainly help shield us from potential increases in the cost to produce electricity.

The *Power cost adjustment* (PCA) is the difference between the actual cost of the electricity we get from PPI and our projected costs. The PCA varies each month, and could be a negative amount, which would give you a bill credit.

#### Tax

The **Public utility tax** is administered by the State of Illinois and applies to each kWh of electricity that you use.

#### Other

This section of your bill could include your security light rental, load management credits, service upgrades, deposits, adjustments, equipment loans and other miscellaneous charges.

## **Metering Information**

The *current and previous kWh readings* are the main way we figure out how much electricity you used during the billing period. Most of our meters measure your use one kWh at a time, while some types of meters use the meter multiplier to calculate your actual kWh use.

The *Total kWh used* field shows how much electricity you used during the billing period, in terms of kWh. The *kWh used last year* field shows a comparison between your current kWh use and the use during a similar billing period from the previous year.

The *Peak kW demand* reflects your highest kilowatt demand during any 15-minute segment of the billing period. This reading basically shows the largest amount of electricity you are using at any one time during the billing period.