

Don't Miss NOVEC's 2014 Annual Meeting

SAVE THE DATE!

2014 Annual Meeting

Wednesday, September 17

Dinner: 6 p.m. ~ Meeting: 7:30 p.m.

Battlefield High School, Haymarket, VA 20169

Inclement weather date: October 15

Watch your mailbox in late August and early September for information about the NOVEC annual meeting, scheduled for Wed., Sept. 17 at Battlefield High School in Haymarket, Va.

After enjoying a pasta dinner and visiting various Co-op information booths at annual meeting, customers will have an opportunity to listen to reports from Wade House, NOVEC's board of directors chairman, and Stan Feuerberg, president/CEO. In addition, elections will be held for two seats on the board of directors. This year, the District 1 (Fairfax County, north of Centreville, and Loudoun County, South Riding) and District 7 (Prince William County, Dale City, and northern Montclair) board positions are up for election.



Customers learn about Co-op programs at last year's annual meeting.

Deadline for Board of Directors Nominations

Any NOVEC customer living in District 1 or 7 may run for the board of directors. To obtain a nomination petition, call customer service at 703-335-0500 or 1-888-335-0500. All nomination petitions must be submitted to NOVEC by 5 p.m. on Wed., July 9, 2014.

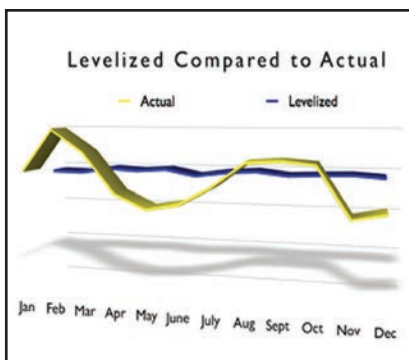
NOVEC will request permission from all candidates for an independently conducted background check. The results of all background checks will be provided to the board of directors and Nominees Evaluation Committee.

For more information about the nomination process, contact Linda Maroney Kilby at lmaraone@novec.com or call customer service at 703-335-0500 or 1-888-335-0500, extension 1501.

No Surprises With Levelized Billing

With summer heating up, now is the time to consider enrolling in NOVEC's levelized billing program. This bill payment option can help customers avoid significant bill fluctuations during the summer months when

electric bills can soar. Levelized billing averages a customer's power use from the previous year and calculates approximately the same bill amount for each month, preventing any unpleasant surprises during the hot summer (and cold winter) months.



“Levelized billing helps customers budget more effectively,” explains Bob Cornwell, NOVEC energy services specialist. To participate in levelized billing, call 703-335-0500 or 1-888-335-0500, or visit www.novec.com/paymentoptions.

Online Home Energy Audit

For information on improving home energy efficiency, visit www.novec.com/useitwisely. “We have all kinds of information on our website about saving energy,” says Cornwell. Customers can also take an online energy audit using NOVEC's Home Energy Suite.



Holiday Office Closing

Independence Day: Friday, July 4

To report outages, call 703-335-0500 or toll-free 1-888-335-0500



TODAY'S FORECAST: A COMFORTABLE 78 DEGREES



Set your thermostat to 78 degrees.

Control your climate and expenses by setting your thermostat to 78 degrees in the summer. **Your home will be so comfortable, you'll want to enjoy picnics indoors.** Raise the temperature and lower your bill.

Overhead Power Lines – Don't Get Burned!



Trees such as these that come in contact with power lines, must be continually trimmed or eventually removed. The better solution is to not plant any trees within NOVEC's 30-foot wide easement area.

Every year hundreds of people across the country come in contact with electricity accidentally while working or playing near overhead power lines. Many of these incidents result in death or severe injury. Don't become a statistic – pay attention and be aware of the utility lines that exist around you. Remember, you don't have to touch a wire to be injured seriously – you only have to touch a conductive object (tree, ladder, metal chain-link fence, aluminum pole, crane, etc.) that is in contact with a power line.

NOVEC has more than 2,000 miles of high-voltage overhead power lines located in all areas of the six counties we serve. These

lines run through fields, woods, residential communities, and along and across hundreds of roads. NOVEC vegetation management crews make every attempt to clear trees and brush from power lines to keep lines easily visible. Every 3 ½ years, tree crews traverse the entire overhead system to keep trees and limbs at least 10 feet away from NOVEC power lines.

No New Trees Near Power Lines

NOVEC does not permit the planting of new trees within its 30-foot wide utility right-of-way easement because most trees commercially available will eventually grow into power lines and create a potential hazard.

NOVEC encourages all homeowners with trees under our power lines to have them removed. NOVEC has the legal right to keep the 30-foot wide easement area clear of all trees or other objects that could cause a power outage, injury, or block access to our equipment. Therefore, the Co-op may remove trees that could be a liability without property-owner consent.

Electricity is invisible and can kill in an instant; help us keep our overhead lines visible for all to see.

TODAY'S FORECAST: TEXTING POSSIBLE

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*Standard text messaging rates will apply. NOVEC will never send more than 10 messages a week.

So Long to the Stafford Building

In August, NOVEC's Stafford County office building, which has been closed to the public for many years, will be removed from the site. Since the payment drop box will also be removed, customers will no longer be able to drop off bill payments at this location. NOVEC will continue to use the property as a service center for field crew and vehicle deployment.

Co-op customers may bring bill payments in person to the Lomond Business Center and Minnieville Road offices, open from 8:15 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-Friday. In addition, they may put payments in drop boxes at the Lomond Business Center, Minnieville Road office, Gainesville Technical Center, and Leesburg office.

NOVEC also offers convenient payment options, with a program to fit almost any lifestyle. For more information about paying your bill, visit www.novec.com/paymentoptions.

PCA Credit Continues to Provide Savings

For the third consecutive year, NOVEC customers are receiving a monthly credit on their electric bill. The credit of more than half a cent per kilowatt-hour will be applied to every kWh you purchase for the remainder of 2014.



The PCA credit is the direct result of improved operating efficiencies and the NOVEC power supply team's procurement of energy at favorable rates. As an owner of the business, when the Co-op saves on power costs, you benefit. That's something we call "The Cooperative Difference!"

For additional information or to submit suggestions for future articles, contact: NOVEC Public Relations, P.O. Box 2710, Manassas, VA 20108 or send email to: pknight@novec.com.

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