



*Yates Adcock (left), president of CVEC's board of trustees, and Gary McCune (right), chairman of CREC's board of trustees, discuss the compatibility study to be conducted by CFC with CFC Senior Electric Program Analyst Johnny Vaughn.*

## Study Analyzes Compatibility of Co-op Consolidation

Canadian Valley Electric Cooperative and Central Rural Electric Cooperative, located in Stillwater, Okla., announced in September that the two cooperatives have entered into discussions on how they can work together to create a more efficient electric distribution system.

"The National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation, more commonly known as CFC, was selected by the CVEC and CREC boards of trustees to complete a comprehensive study analyzing the compatibility of the two organizations," says CVEC General Manager George Hand. "This study will help determine the economic impact and savings that a potential consolidation would produce."

Initial reviews have shown the two cooperatives have many similarities. A preliminary review indicated probable economic benefit and increased long-term membership value from the opportunities for economies of scale, increased financial strength, rate stability, elimination of duplicate services and additional operating efficiencies.

The CVEC and CREC boards of trustees encourage members and interested parties to visit, [www.buildingourenergyfuturetogether.com](http://www.buildingourenergyfuturetogether.com), for the latest information about this collaboration.

*CVEC offices will be closed Thursday, Nov. 28  
for the Thanksgiving Day holiday.*



### By George

#### IF

The studies of a possible consolidation of the two electric cooperatives, Canadian Valley Electric Cooperative and Central Rural Electric Cooperative, continue to show positive outcomes for the member/owner/customers and,

The boards of trustees do not find any "irreconcilable differences" in the operations and objectives of the two cooperatives, and both determine that it would be in the long-term best interests of the memberships, that the two cooperatives be consolidated into one new electric cooperative to serve the needs of the combined membership.

Then the boards of trustees will call separate meetings of their members in the service areas of both cooperatives for their consideration and decision on any proposal to consolidate the two cooperatives into one operating entity.

The authority to affect a consolidation of the two electric cooperatives is reserved by law to the member/owners of the cooperatives. Official notice of any meetings that might be called to consider this issue would state the purpose of the meeting. A quorum of members at both cooperative meetings would be required to have an official meeting and consider the matter. To proceed further, an affirmative vote by two-thirds of the members present at both meetings would be required. If the boards of trustees each decide that the consolidation could be a good thing for the combined memberships, the final decision will be up to the memberships.

WHERE ARE WE NOW?

A preliminary independent study of the possible consolidation of the two

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CANADIAN VALLEY  
**ELECTRALITE**

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Serving Hughes, Lincoln, McIntosh,  
Okfuskee, Pottawatomie, Seminole  
and portions of Oklahoma,  
Cleveland and Creek counties

**Main Office and Headquarters**

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**In Case of Trouble**

1. Check for blown fuse or tripped circuit breakers.
2. Check with your neighbors. Ask if their electricity is off and if they have reported it.
3. If not call the office and report the trouble.

	<u>Read</u>	<u>Billing date</u>	
Cycle 1	26th-31st	5th	1-1/2% penalty is
Cycle 2	6th-11th	15th	applied 20 days
Cycle 3	16th-21st	25th	after billing date

**Operating Statistics for August**

	2012	2013
Operating Revenues	\$5,627,847	\$5,677,334
Wholesale Cost of Power	\$3,891,637	\$4,136,674
Percentage WPC is of Revenue	69.15	72.86
Revenue per Mile of Line	\$1,086.25	\$1,092.64
Consumers per Mile of Line	4.60	4.62
KW Peak Demand - This month	159,026	151,092
Billing kW demand	115,112	109,236
KW Peak Demand - YTD	160,468	151,092
KWh Purchased - This month	73,057,990	71,882,530
Taxes Paid	\$120,205	\$116,090
Interest on Long Term Debt	\$186,068	\$186,474
System Load Factor	61.7	63.9

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electric cooperatives has been made by the National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation (CFC). CFC is a major lender to electric cooperatives across the United States and is owned by electric cooperatives. It is a lender to both Canadian Valley Electric Cooperative and Central Rural Electric Cooperative, but not the primary lender to either. This preliminary study has indicated significant benefits to the memberships of the consolidation of the two electric cooperatives.

Both boards of trustees of the two electric cooperatives have requested CFC do a more detailed study of the benefits to the members of the possible consolidation. This study will take some time and is underway, and should be finalized by the end of the year.

We are also developing the information for an independent review of the electric rates of both cooperatives and a proposed common rate structure for a possible consolidation. It will soon be five years since Canadian Valley Electric Cooperative last changed its retail electric rates. The current CVEC rates are based on costs as they were in 2008 and do not appear adequate to meet 2014 expense levels. CVEC would likely have begun a 915171003 rate review to become effective at the beginning of 2014 were it not for the current consolidation considerations. We are delaying the CVEC rate considerations for the results of the study of the consolidated rate. We want to develop and have available to the membership all the information possible before we ask members to consider and vote on any possible consolidation.

Any possible consolidation is still an IF.



**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

BEGINNING BALANCE 8/31/13.....	\$248,318.60
DEPOSITS.....	8,034.25
INTEREST INCOME .....	71.41
CHECKS ISSUED .....	42,505.63
APPROVED, NOT YET PAID .....	25,652.33
BALANCE 9/30/13.....	\$188,266.30

CVEC Foundation administers and disburses funds collected through CVEC's Operation Round-Up Program.

**New Services Staked in September**

During the month of September 38 new services were staked. The total new services staked in 2013 is 305. This compares to 314 for the same period in 2012.





## Thank You and Welcome Aboard

*CVEC Foundation Board of Trustees recently extended a sincere 'Thank You' to retiring board member James Hargrove (left.) Board President Charles Ananders (right) presented Hargrove with a plaque and thanked him for his service.*

*New board member Mike Matlock (center) was welcomed to the board, also. He is filling the vacancy Hargrove leaves, and will represent the members in district 3.*

*The CVEC Foundation oversees the co-op's Operation Round Up program.*

## Winter Disconnect Rules in Effect November 15

Each year at this time, the rules governing non-payment disconnects change to winter regulations. The regulations are in effect until April 15 of the following year.

The Oklahoma Corporation Commission (OCC) has established specific rules governing how utilities deal with discontinuance of service in summer and winter. Of course, no one likes to have their electricity disconnected, especially during foul weather, but CVEC has to follow OCC rules on non-payment disconnects. CVEC disconnects service only as a last resort, so please contact us to find a positive solution, if paying your electric bill becomes a problem.

The following is a brief overview of OCC rules as they affect CVEC members. CVEC bills are mailed on the 5th, 15th and 25th of each month. Members have 20 days from the date the bill is mailed to make payment. If a member is unable to make a full payment, it is important he or she contacts our customer service department to make payment arrangements.

Your bill serves as a disconnect notice if you have a past due balance. About five days before the due date of the disconnect reminder, a 48-hour notice is mailed. If by the 48-hour due date,

no payment is received or arrangements made, service is disconnected without further notice.

The following payment arrangement options are available if paying your electric bill becomes a problem:

1.) **Deferred Payment Plan** – This plan is calculated within OCC regulations.

2.) **Life-Threatening Plan** – This plan is limited to members who are or have family members residing in the home who rely on life-saving equipment such as oxygen equipment. These members must provide appropriate documentation for verification that such circumstances exist within the residence. CVEC personnel will be required to make a visual verification of the equipment.

3.) **Public Service Agencies** – A list of public service agencies is available for eligible members. The Department of Human Services (DHS) can provide assistance to eligible persons. A list of the various county DHS offices can be provided by the cooperative. American Indian tribes and other agencies also have programs to assist members.

If payment is not received and no contact has been made with our office, the co-op will make a visit to collect back payment. A \$25 service fee will be added

to the amount of the bill. If the service is actually disconnected, a \$25 reconnect fee and deposit will be applied, if needed.

The reconnect must be requested Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Calls for service to be reconnected after working hours will be charged \$50, plus the \$25 for any previous collection visits made for notification or cut-off of the service. Members wishing to pay by check at the time of the disconnect, who have a history of dishonored checks, can expect CVEC to contact the member's bank to verify sufficient funds before reconnecting the service.

Once service is disconnected, the member will be required to pay all fees and charges before service is reconnected. A member seeking additional

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### Find Your Hidden Account Number and Win \$25

If you find your account number hidden in this issue of The Electralite, you could win \$25.

In order to win, the account number must be your own.

You need to report finding the number to us by the 15th of the month.

And you need to report finding it by phone, mail or in person. Good luck!



## Trading Center Classifieds

Each CVEC member family is limited to ONE free classified ad per month. The form below must be used. The length of the ad cannot exceed three lines on the form. Ads run only one time. Area codes are not used unless outside the 405 area.

### All INFORMATION BELOW MUST BE COMPLETED

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Account # \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Classified must be received by the 5th of the month to appear in the following edition of The Electra-Lite.

### Automobiles

2004 black Chevy Avalanche, 4-dr., 3.5 engine, leather interior, new tires, 83K miles, good condition, 443-6996.

1995 Buick LeSaber for parts, good parts & body, 279-2647.

1988 Ford Mustang GT, 5.0 convertible, needs work, does run, \$1,500 OBO, 446-1132.

1976 Monte Carlo Landeau, white leather interior, cold air, 58K miles, 1 owner, \$5,000, 918-689-7140.

2003 & 2004 Chevy pickups, both 4x4 ext. cabs, \$13,000, firm for both, 886-5081.

1994 Ford Crown Victoria, \$1,000, 452-3122.

### Farm

10' long metal bending brake, like new, \$400, might trade, 964-5663.

11' wide, 7-gauge reel mower, reversible, foldable, 41,000, 380-6823.

1/2" sucker rods, \$8 ea.; 2'x24' pipe, \$430; 25 joints 2&3/8" tubing, \$40/joint, 918-866-2313.

1988 20' WW gooseneck stock trailer w/new tires & floor, 918-650-2285.

Woods RD 6000 5' finish mower, 8 yrs. old, hardly used, kept in workshop, \$1,200, 878-4777, 613-1254.

Makita belt sanders, 100x610 MM, model 9401, \$50 ea.; Prestolite torch & bottle, \$50; Forney welding machine, \$100, 454-2046.

500-gal. propane tank, \$500; small sand blaster, \$40, 308 w/scope, 382-7291.

Sawmill band saw, electric & hydraulic movement, \$6,200, 918-716-8482.

9N Ford tractor, \$800, 712-2621.

1977 4230 John Deere tractor w/front-end loader, 567-3393.

2-row Bermuda King auto sprig planter, excellent condition, 918-656-3531.

DR wood-chipper, 19 hp Kawasaki engine, excellent condition, \$1,500, 808-0205.

Horse trailer w/living quarters, TV, DVD, stove, central heat, AC, 2-horse straight load, hay rack, \$6,800 firm 496-3886.

Going out of cattle business, trailers & misc., 1972 Chevy, 2-ton, 18' all steel flatbed, \$2,500, 53F 1-ton flatbed, \$2,500, misc. trailers, \$195-\$1,595, 606-9113.

Grapple, new, fits 6' to 8' bucket, \$1,000, 380-6655.

Silver King squeeze chute & transport, 452-3094.

2&3/8" pipe, 30' long, 750', \$1.10/foot, 343-5534.

30-10 John Deere w/loader, good tires, \$6,500, 925-2580.

1997 Kia Sephia 1.8 motor, \$500, 398-4662.

9" Rockwell table saw on stand, \$75; Makita belt sander, IDOX, 610 mm \$50, 30 MHZ oscilloscope, \$100, 454-2046.

5'x17' tandem-axle heavy-duty trailer/loading ramp, expanded metal floor, 2" coupler, \$1,400, 567-4722.

Ford 9N tractor, \$800, 712-2621.

30-gal. LP gas tank, \$60; Weedeater, \$35, 275-3419.

Ford 8N tractor, w/6' blade, box blade, brush hog, post-hold digger, \$3,500, 275-5988.

### Miscellaneous

New storm doors, \$50-\$100 ea. or trade for guns, ammo or anything of value, 918-866-2440.

Dozens of miniature Liberty Falls ceramic Christmas Town collectibles, includes houses, trees & people figurines, \$40 OBO, 382-2520.

4'x5' rmd bales of grass hay, \$40 OBO, 942-4538.

Homemade quilts, queen-size only, 434-9274.

Six white dinette chairs w/ natural wood seats, good condition, \$50, 273-8472.

Used lumber, sheetrock, electrical, window weights, & more, 382-2243.

Buy, sell & repair clocks, 513-2986.

2 chain-link gates, 5'9"x45", \$25, 279-3638.

4'x5' grass hay bales, baled w/John Deere baler, 382-3504.

24'x40' greenhouse w/2 vents & 2 power vents, \$950, 623-6436.

Bermuda hay, \$6/bale, 382-7291.

60 rmd. bales of hay, 75-lbs. ea., 2013 cutting, \$25 ea., no delivery, 567-4424.

G.E. side-by-side refrigerator, water & ice in door, beige, Shawnee, \$125, 273-4703.

Small square bales of prairie hay, \$6/bale, 598-5860.

2 sewing tables, real nice, 443-8209.

Square bales alfalfa hay, \$6.50; wheat, alfalfa-mixed grass hay, \$4, 567-3393.

4'x5' rmd. bales of grass hay, \$40, 942-4538, 333-2501.

AB Lounger abdominal exercise machine, like new, \$45 OBO; 4 pr. ladies Keds, size 10, 598-6274.

Old watches, not running, 598-6711.

4'x6' rmd. bales mixed grass hay \$40, bluestem hay, \$45, 567-4467.

King-size BDR suite, no mattress, \$600, 712-2621.

143 4'x6' bales of prairie hay, net wrapped, \$42/bale, will load, 918-623-2468.

Ice box, \$100, 275-3419.

200 sq. bales prairie hay, \$5/bale; rmd. bales mixed grass hay, 4-5.5, \$30-\$40/bale, 820-3862.

### Pets/Livestock

Full-blood Rottweiler puppies, not registered, ready to go, \$300, 257-3454.

Ducks, pullets, Bantams, roosters, 598-6711.

20-mo. old Black Angus bull, \$1,500; AKC Corgis, born 9-16-13, all females, 580-925-2436.

Koi, many colors, \$10, \$20, & \$30, 401-4861.

### Real Estate

205 acres w/2 houses, have electric, water sewer, 2 ponds, mostly timber, lots of deer & turkey, NE of Paden, \$1,500/acre, 918-261-3099.

30 acres, good pasture & homesite, septic, small pond, 2 miles N. of Konawa, 580-916-0013.

3 to 5 acre parcel outside Shawnee city limits, 878-0180.

14'x60' mobile home, handicapped accessible, 3 BDR, you pay to move, 488-4512.

12'x24' Cojac building, paneled, carpet, heat & AC, insulation, 598-3449.

To be moved - 13'x76' 1982 River HT mobile home, 3 BDR, 1.5 BA, new heat & AC, hot water heater, \$10,500, 623-4485.

### RV/Marine

1986 Yamaha Maxim X, \$1,000, 380-6823.

Will haul for FREE - metal of any kind, obsolete, or burned farm equipment, trailer-house frames, and vehicles of any kind, 567-5163.

18' bumper-pull travel trailer, current tag, good tires, heat, AC, fridge, needs some work, \$1,000, 382-3316.

### Services

Will haul away unwanted major appliances, scrap metal, car batteries, for free w/ 15-mile radius of Shawnee, 609-4365.

### Wanted

Acreage in South Rock Creek area, 395-2962.

Will trade Red Limousine bull for same bulls in good herd, 631-1505.

## Winter Rules go into Effect in November

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information can contact CVEC's customer service department at 382-3680, 273-4680, toll-free at (877) 382-3680, or (918) 689-3232. The OCC complaint investigation and mediation department also may provide assistance at 521-2331 or 1-800-522-8154.