

COLUMBUS CURRENTS

CEC Recognized for Renewable Energy Project



Kevin Groenewold (NMRECA) presenting award to Chris Martinez (CEC)

The New Mexico Association of Energy Engineers (NMAEE) Board of Directors selected Columbus Electric for the Renewable Energy Project of the Year Award. This award recognizes an innovative renewable energy project that has had significant impact on global warming. Columbus Electric Cooperative (CEC) was selected specifically for the 1.85 megawatt solar plant that was constructed just north of the Village of Columbus and came online in October of 2017. CEC entered into a contract with Affordable Solar, Inc. to construct the project and to supply our Cooperative with renewable energy. The plant sits on 20 acres and is expected to provide 5.3 million kWh's annually to our members. CEC entered into a 25 year agreement to purchase the entire output of the plant at a fixed cost with no escalator. This means that the price of the power will never go up, and the entire output of the facility goes to our members. So while the project is an example of CEC's commitment to renewable energy and doing what's good for the environment, it's also a good deal for our members. This project and award demonstrate that CEC remains dedicated to fulfilling its core mission since 1946: Providing SAFE, RELIABLE, and AFFORDABLE electric energy.

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Pay your bill using our KIOSK Payment system located in the CEC office lobby and earn a chance to win a 43 Inch TV!!

In addition, while supplies last, a small prize will be offered to those who pay using the KIOSK during the promotional months of November 1 through December 20th.

How to Win:

Pay your bill using the Kiosk, present your receipt to a member services representative and be entered for a chance to win the LG 43" TV.

Winner will be announced on December 21, 2018.

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Observance of Veterans Day**

**November 22nd & 23rd in Observance
of Thanksgiving**

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Youth Tour Sponsored by CEC

An all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., in June will be awarded to 2 High School students. One student from our east side service area and one from the west side service area will be selected.

Applications are available now until Nov 19th at the Deming or Animas office and The Deming and Animas High Schools or contact Malarie Villegas for any information at 575-546-8838.



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