

Payment Drive Thru Opening Soon





Columbus Electric is excited to announce that the construction of the drive-up windows for our Deming Headquarters office is now complete. The drive-thru is located at the south side of our building. We anticipate the drive thru to be open to our members for payments beginning August 31st. Drive thru hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The current pandemic made evident the importance of making this option available for our members. The drive thru windows will enable us to serve our members while keeping you and our employees safe in this no-contact atmosphere that we currently live in. It will be a safe and convenient option for our members now and in the future.

Our office will continue to be open to our members for those who elect to pay in person or those who need to make any changes to their accounts as the drive thru will strictly be for making payments.

We are excited about the addition of this convenient payment option for our members and can't wait to assist you though our payment drive thru windows.

Your health and wellness are important to us. We hope that you are well and are staying safe!

POWER RESTORATION FILL-IN-THE-BLANK

When the power goes out, line crews work hard to restore service as quickly and safely as possible.

Complete the fill-in-the-blank activity below to learn about the steps of power restoration. Use the word bank if you need help, and check your work in the answer key.



Word Bank:

distribution pads transformer

transmission



1. High-voltage ______ lines are the large towers and cables that supply power to the greatest number of consumer-members. They rarely fail, but if they do, they have to be repaired first.

2. Next, crews inspect distribution ______ for damage. They determine if the problem stems from the lines feeding into the equipment itself, or if the problem is further down the line.





3. If the problem still can't be pinpointed,

______ power lines are inspected. These are the lines you typically see on the side of the road that deliver power to communities.

4. If the power outage persists, supply lines (also known as tap lines) are inspected. These lines deliver power to transformers that are either mounted on poles or placed on ______ for underground electric service.





5. If your home remains without power, the service line between the _____ and your home may need repairs.

Answer Key: 1) transmission 2) substations 3) distribution 4) pads 5) transformer

WE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, IN OBSERVANCE OF Labor Day

REQUEST FOR BIDS

Columbus Electric Cooperative is seeking bidders, one each in the Deming and Animas areas, to receive used poles and crossarms for the two-year period from October 1, 2020, until September 30, 2022.

The successful bidder must have an easily accessible receiving facility conveniently located, as determined by us, that is accessible 24/7 and large enough to allow access and maneuvering, including turning around, of our large vehicles and trailered vehicles.

Sealed bids must be received at our office, 900 N. Gold Ave., Deming, NM 88030, by noon on September 14, 2020. Sealed bids can be delivered in person or by mail. Please specify on the outside of the sealed bid whether the bid is for Deming or Animas.

Any questions or for additional information, including the contract, MSDS disclosures, contact Susanna Morris at (575) 546-8838.



We have a new look to our website. It will be launched at the end of August. Visit www.columbusco-op.org for co-op updates, bill pay, newsletters, rebate information and so much more!

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