

2017 ANNUAL REPORT

SAN MIGUEL POWER ASSOCIATION, INC



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NEW HEIGHTS



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On the Cover:

San Miguel Power Line Foreman, Brad Boulden leans out to reconnect jumpers atop a power pole approximately 300 feet above Highway 550.

Restoration of this Red Mountain line will be a major undertaking in the coming years.

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13,473 METERS



54 EMPLOYEES



1,890 MILES OF LINE



7.13 METERS PER MILE



\$0.13473 RESIDENTIAL KWH RATE



\$18 ACCESS CHARGE



189.4 MILLION kWh SOLD



785 kWh PER MONTH



254 NET METERED ACCTS.



38,210 PEAK DEMAND (KW)



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MONTROSE, OURAY, SAN JUAN,
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Our Mission:

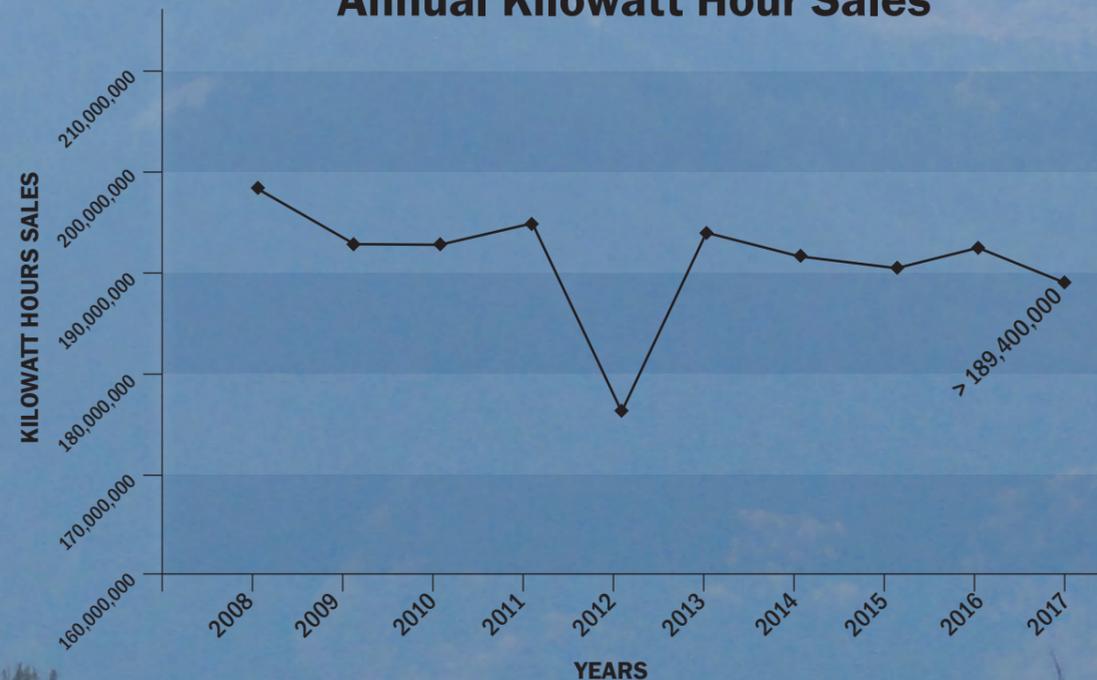
It is the mission of San Miguel Power Association, Inc. to demonstrate corporate responsibility and community service while providing our members with safe, reliable, cost effective and environmentally responsible electrical service.

Notice of the Annual Meeting of San Miguel Power Association, Inc.

The 79th Annual Meeting of the Members of San Miguel Power Association, Inc. (SMPA) will be held at the SMPA Nucla office (170 W. 10th Avenue, Nucla, Colorado) on the 7th day of June 2018. Registration will be open from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. The business meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. This meeting will be held for the following purposes:

- 1) The election of directors to the Board of Directors for District No. 3 (Norwood, Placerville, Dunton, Rico, Sawpit).
- 2) The reports of Officers, Directors & Committees.
- 3) Any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

Annual Kilowatt Hour Sales





Your Board of Directors

SMPA directors are elected from the membership, by the membership. They have the responsibility of setting the strategic direction for the cooperative. Directors are required to represent the membership on a fair and impartial basis for the best interest of all members.

The San Miguel Power Association Board of Directors
Top Row: Bob Justis, District 2; Rube Felicelli, District 5
Bottom Row: Dave Alexander, District 3; Doylene Garvey, District 1; Debbie Cokes, District 6; Terry Rhoades, District 7; Jack Sibold, District 4

Dear Members,

How does San Miguel Power Association (SMPA) keep a grasp on its foundations while striving to achieve new heights?

Consider what it takes to reach the summit of a tall mountain. One must have a vision of success and a clear pathway toward the goal. Finally, despite fatigue and adversity, the climber must take every step along that path until he or she reaches the top. SMPA is on a path like this. Every step brings us closer to the vision that was put before us by our Board of Directors. Last year, 2017, SMPA continued on this grand journey.

Along the way, SMPA has been facing challenges, and one of the greatest is the rapidly changing electric industry. Only a decade ago, SMPA—like many of its fellow members of the wholesale energy cooperative, Tri-State Generation and Transmission (Tri-State)—was concerned about meeting the demands of a growing load. Fairly suddenly, however, nationwide and regional demand dropped as did the prices of new, alternative energy technologies. Now, SMPA must help Tri-State make the transition to a cleaner, more flexible energy transmission grid while maintaining financial stability.

Meeting challenges like this takes vision, a strong connection with our communities and informed strategy

on improving service reliability and environmental stewardship.

The environment, beautiful as it is, presents one of the greatest obstacles we face in fulfilling the vision of service reliability, but our vision of a more reliable system is clear. Last year, we completed the Telluride/ Mountain Village Reliability Project, which provided an underground power pathway backing up the delivery system that serves these two mountain towns. Now, when nature or any other culprit interrupts power on the main line, we have an alternate way to serve our members while repairs are made.

Reaching goals like these would be impossible if we did not have solid footing. For us, our foundation is our communities. One of the ways we support our local economies is by joining cooperative partners, CoBank and Basin Electric in offering a substantial Economic Development grant called “Sharing Success.” The recipients of this grant money have gone on to build assets and programs that have benefitted

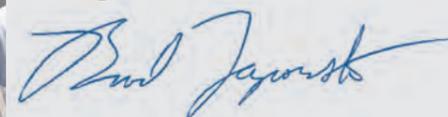
community members in incalculable ways. (See the list of grant recipients and projects on pg. 12.)

We pride ourselves in our focus on our local communities, but occasionally, there comes a call for help from outside our small region. In 2017, such a call came from a suburb of Houston, TX in the wake of Hurricane Harvey. Our community answered the call with donations of materials and money and two of our employees answered by volunteering to help in person. (Read the full story on pg. 13.)

Whether we are facing financial, technological, or natural challenges, SMPA is taking the steps necessary to reach the top of our mountain. If you are reading this, then you are coming alongside by getting informed and participating in the effort. You understand that membership means more than just purchasing a service. You are what gives this cooperative its direction, and we look forward to seeing you at the top!



Brad Zaporski
 CEO & General Manager



Rube Felicelli
 Board President





The Telluride/Mountain Village Reliability Project

In February of 2018, safely buried beneath the snow and soil of Telluride’s Galloping Goose trail, something very good happened. An underground power cable surged to life. The event occurred without

fanfare, but it signified a new era of power reliability for the mountain towns of Telluride and Mountain Village.

The Telluride/Mountain Village Reliability Project involved burying a heavy distribution line that connected the Telluride and Sunshine substations. This new connection allows either of these substations

to carry the load of the other in case of a power fault.

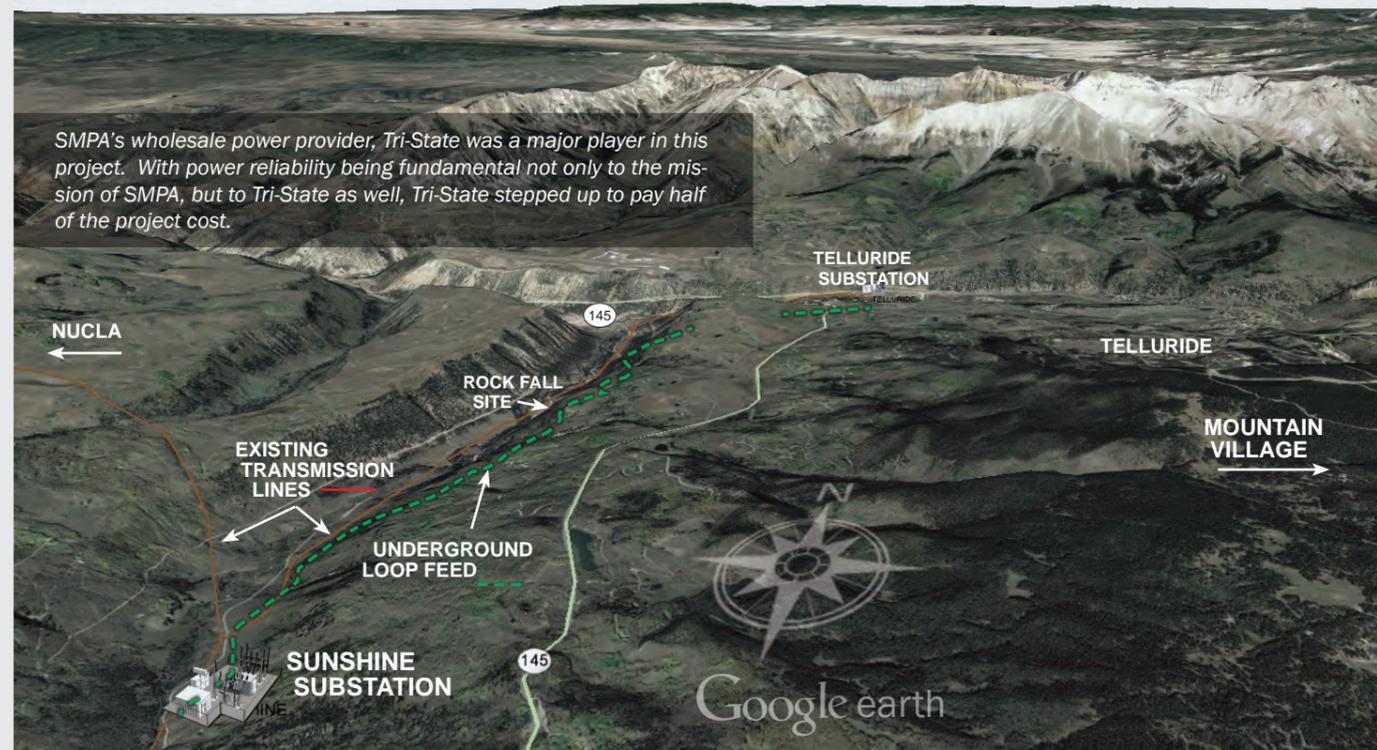
Making a switch like this still requires a visual inspection, so power restoration won’t be instantaneous. However, having the option to re-route power is a significant operational improvement over the situation that existed when a boulder crashed into a transmission line over President’s Day weekend of 2016, knocking out power for nearly 24 hours.

The lines serving these mountain towns are constantly under threat of wind, falling trees, heavy snow and loosening rocks. The Telluride / Mountain Village Reliability Project gives SMPA another option in the battle to keep power flowing.

Thanks to all who worked and collaborated to get this project done.



Because the high-capacity power cables and fiber optic lines were buried, they will not block views of the mountain landscape.



SMPA’s wholesale power provider, Tri-State was a major player in this project. With power reliability being fundamental not only to the mission of SMPA, but to Tri-State as well, Tri-State stepped up to pay half of the project cost.

Safety Culture

A “culture of safety” is a difficult thing to measure, but it’s absolutely essential for an electric distribution utility like SMPA.

Fortunately, the Colorado Rural Electric Association (CREA) provides a customized program and report called the Rural Electric Safety Achievement Program (RESAP).

In 2017, SMPA showed a number of improvements over its 2014 RESAP report. “What really matters,” said SMPA Safety Coordinator, Paul Enstrom, “is what this report represents for our work crews and their families.”

Operations

Maintaining the local power grid may not sound like a difficult task, but when you compound extreme weather events with some work sites that can only be accessed by rock climbing or repelling, it begins to look a little more complicated.

Our line crews are the ones who take on these challenges. Highly-trained and adaptable, these professionals do whatever it takes whenever they are needed. Thanks to our line personnel and their families for keeping our electricity flowing.



2017 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Statement of Revenue, Expenses & Patronage Capital

REVENUES	2017	2016
Residential	\$16,174,469	\$16,550,122
Commercial	11,401,593	\$11,523,093
Irrigation	154,969	\$130,648
Street Lights	41,879	\$47,360
Other Revenue	155,648	\$118,598
Total Operating Revenue	\$27,928,558	\$28,369,821

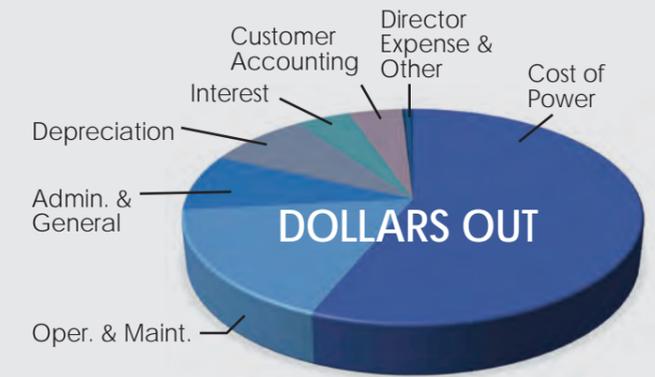
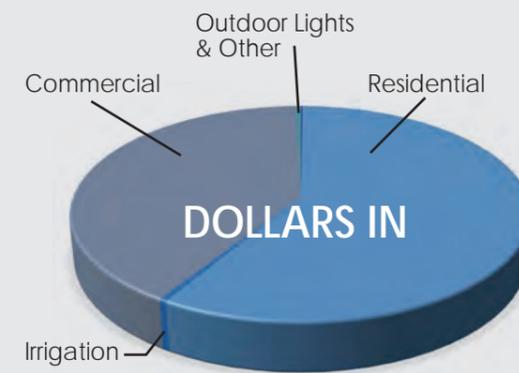
EXPENDITURES	2017	2016
Cost of Purchased Power	\$15,452,521	\$15,050,194
Transmission Expense	86,872	\$88,028
Distribution Expense	4,652,917	\$4,655,858
Consumer Accounting Expense	1,015,117	\$986,781
Consumer Service & Informational Expense	198,201	\$274,163
Sales Expense	324,726	\$474,590
Administration & General Expense	2,494,457	\$2,199,365
Depreciation	2,277,956	\$2,244,157
Interest Expense	1,228,308	\$1,178,668
Other	49,234	\$91,684
Total Cost of Electric Service	\$27,780,309	\$27,243,488

MARGINS	2017	2016
Operating Margin	\$148,249	\$1,126,333
Non-Operating Margin	158,622	\$149,217
Capital Credits	898,043	\$530,449
Extraordinary Items	0	\$0
Net Margin or Patronage Capital	\$1,204,914	\$1,805,999

Comparative Balance Sheet

ASSETS	2017	2016
Total Utility Plant	\$86,351,388	\$77,621,084
Less: Reserve for Depreciation	27,479,274	\$26,737,145
Net Utility Plant	58,872,114	\$50,883,939
Reserve Funds & Investments	19,298,323	\$18,939,659
Other Investments	0	\$0
General Funds	2,745,833	\$4,636,096
Special Deposits	3,354,321	\$3,367,285
Accounts Receivable	2,731,717	\$3,005,722
Material Inventory	1,069,843	\$1,089,940
Prepayment & Other Assets	92,974	\$126,325
Total Assets	\$88,165,125	\$82,048,966

LIABILITIES & EQUITIES	2017	2016
Total Equities & Margins	\$46,168,378	\$44,954,659
Total Long Term Debt	30,268,480	\$28,621,812
Notes Payable	0	\$0
Current & Accrued Liabilities	9,257,768	\$6,182,639
Deferred Credits	2,470,499	\$2,289,856
Total Liabilities & Equities	\$88,165,125	\$82,048,966



“The man on top of the mountain did not fall there.”

- Chinese Proverb





SMPA Offers Ways to Go Carbon Clear

At its Memorial Day Weekend 2017 film festival in Telluride, MountainFilm launched the ‘New Normal’ Initiative stating that climate change is the most critical issue of our time and that local grassroots actions are key to battling this issue. The momentum created from this dialogue led several non-profit organizations, local governments, utilities, businesses and interested citizens to form the Carbon Neutral Coalition with the goal of achieving complete carbon neutrality in the San Miguel County, region.

The Carbon Neutral Coalition benefits from active participation from two world-renowned organizations: The Pinhead Climate Institute, a Smithsonian Affiliate, and MountainFilm, a world-famous documentary film festival. In addition, San Miguel County and the Towns of Telluride, Mountain Village and Ophir, EcoAction Partners, Sheep Mountain Alliance and San Miguel Power Association participate in the coalition, making it an effective grassroots organization with the knowledge, authority and local support necessary to achieve carbon neutrality.

San Miguel Power Association enables this coalition to make progress towards its goals with two landmark programs:

First, the SMPA-backed “Greenlights” program seeks to help electric light users replace their wasteful in-

candescent bulbs with energy-efficient LEDs. Qualifying members can save up to 75% of the up-front cost of the new LED bulbs.

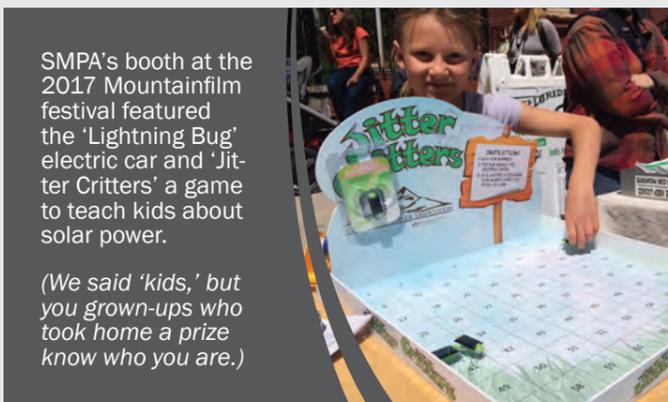
[\(see ecoactionpartners.org/greenlights/\)](http://ecoactionpartners.org/greenlights/)



Next, SMPA’s Green Blocks program allows members to purchase their power from renewable sources. With this program, members, who feel that they can help protect our environment by changing the way they buy energy, have an option to do so.

smpa.com/content/green-centsgreen-blocks

Bringing about the kind of future envisioned by the Carbon Neutral Coalition takes action on the part of everyday people. Contact San Miguel Power Association to sign up for these programs. Together, can we make the difference!



SMPA’s booth at the 2017 Mountainfilm festival featured the ‘Lightning Bug’ electric car and ‘Jitter Critters’ a game to teach kids about solar power.

(We said ‘kids,’ but you grown-ups who took home a prize know who you are.)

Dalwhinnie Saves Energy



The energy savings from this heat exchange unit could be nearly 100,000kWh annually making the total carbon reduction of 74.4 metric tons. That is the equivalent of taking 15 passenger vehicles off the road each year.

One of the challenges facing the commercial marijuana industry is the amount of energy required to grow their product. While total energy consumption varies amongst indoor, greenhouse, and outdoor facilities, grow operations are universally searching out ways to save energy, reduce their energy footprint and environmental impact. These companies also

stand to save significant money by being as energy-efficient as possible. Few are taking this fact more seriously than the Dalwhinnie Farms Cannabis Grow operation just outside of Ridgway. Dalwhinnie Farms uses state of the art renewable resource technology, including the installation of a geo-thermal, high efficiency water source heat exchange unit that utilizes the pond that surrounds it.

This device helps regulate the temperature inside the facility using the ambient water temperature in a large onsite pond. Given average yearly temperatures, this unit may save up to \$20,000-\$30,000 over traditional methods. Over the estimated func-

tional life of the unit, that’s an estimated savings of nearly \$500,000 over a traditional system and it could be more based on future energy costs.

Additionally, Dalwhinnie has installed high R-value internal walls, state-of-the-art lighting control software, and logs all power usage by hardware device. They have other proprietary measures to reduce their energy requirements and carbon footprint, and will be utilizing LED supplemental light fixtures for their companion greenhouse project located next door (Shining Mountain).

SMPA Energy Programs

Our energy saving and rebate programs can help you utilize new technology for your home or work place. The rebates below were issued in 2017.

Rebate	Issued	Total \$	SMPA	Tri-State
Energy Star Appliance	200	\$16,150	\$6,980	\$9,170
LED Bulb	280	\$28,886	\$9,569	\$19,317
Commercial LED Retrofit	22	\$46,332	N/A	\$46,332
LED Outdoor Light	1	\$1,350	0\$	\$1,350
Energy Audits	3	\$450	\$450	N/A
Electric Car	1	\$750	\$750	N/A
Heat Pump	2	\$62,901	0\$	\$62,901
Market Weatherization	3	\$1,319	\$1,319	N/A
I.Q. Weatherization	21	\$27,231	\$27,231	N/A
I.Q. Solar	26	0\$	0\$	N/A
Solar PV Residential	26	\$55,960	\$55,960	N/A
Solar PV Commercial	5	\$30,750	\$30,750	N/A
Micro-hydro	1	\$1,800	\$1,800	N/A
Total	591	\$273,878	\$134,809	\$139,070

Scholarships

As your local electrical cooperative, SMPA provides support to further the education of the youth in our communities.

SMPA awards multiple scholarships to graduates through affiliated organizations such as Tri-State and Basin Electric and also by using unclaimed capital credits.

The recipients of these scholarships are selected by a committee of college and vocational representatives from around the region. Applicants are judged on their academic success, written essay, community involvement and leadership skills.

This year, a total of \$18,000 is going to help support the further education of local students. Congratulations to these deserving young people.



Detlynd Snow
SMPA Norwood High School \$2000 Scholarship



Emily Case
SMPA Nucla High School \$2000 Scholarship



Evan Vann
Ouray High School Tri-State G&T \$500 Scholarship



Caleb Jones
SMPA Paradox Valley Charter School \$2000 Scholarship



Hunter Gentry
SMPA Ridgway High School \$2000 Scholarship



Ridgewalker Busch
SMPA Telluride High School \$2000 Scholarship



Adrian Schiebler
Telluride High School Tri-State G&T \$500 Scholarship



Kalli Starks
SMPA Norwood Vocational \$2000 Scholarship



Christopher Pfifer
SMPA Nucla Vocational \$2000 Scholarship



Elizabeth Williams
SMPA Ouray High School \$2000 Scholarship & Basin Electric \$1000 Scholarship



Helping out our Communities: The 2017 Sharing Success Program

SMPA has teamed up with cooperative partners, CoBank and Basin Electric to offer the 'Sharing Success' grant to local businesses and organizations that seek to turn their innovative ideas into working attractions that bring visitors to our towns.

Recipient: Apple Core Project Demonstration Orchard

Have you ever bitten into an apple and been disappointed by its lack of flavor? According to Jen Nelson, landscaper, master gardener, and co-founder of the Apple Core Project of Western Colorado, "Modern apples, have been modified for their appearance, so the flavor wanes over time."

So-called "heirloom apples," like those found on Wright's Mesa and in the West End, have not been modified. "Part of what makes our apples special is that, at high elevations, they sweeten up," says Nelson "and the increased ultra violet light causes the nutrient content to nearly double."

The Apple Core Project of Western Colorado promotes fruit tree preservation through mapping, identifying, grafting, planting, documenting and connecting local resources for preservation. With the Sharing Success Grant, the demonstration orchard will be a perfect spot to showcase this work.



Recipient: Ouray County's Top of the Pines

Just outside of Ridgway, sits one of the area's hidden gems. Top of the Pines is a unique outdoor recreation & environmental education center and open space preserve in Ouray County. Located at the foot of the Sneffels Range, it offers some of the most astonishing views of the mountains in the whole region. Trails, campsites and a ropes course are only a few of the attractions they offer.

The San Miguel Power/CoBank/Basin Electric Sharing Success \$2000 grant helped to provide electricity to the pavilion and the warming hut, and covered the cost of other renovations. Top of the Pines is funded entirely by donations, and SMPA is glad to provide support.



Member Appreciation

When you buy power from SMPA, you're not just a customer; you're a member.

Power Hours: Because you are a member, your questions and opinions are important to us. Last year, we hosted get-togethers that we call "Power Hours" at which we could meet you and discuss things that are important to you. Watch for these events next year as well.

Member Appreciation Days: Every fall, we try to show how much you mean to us, by decking out our lobbies with goodies and gifts. Watch for advertisements, then swing by and see us!

2017 Sharing Success Grant Recipients			
Top of the Pines (Ouray County)	\$2,000	Demo Orchard Apple Core Project	\$2,000
Ophir Broadband (Town of Ophir)	\$4,000	Ridgway Online Ridgway Chamber	\$4,000
Perimeter Trail (Ouray Trail Group)	\$4,000	San Juan Skijoring Ouray County Rodeo	\$4,000



Employees

30 + Years of Service

David Kelly, System Planner.....	45 (Retired March, 2018)
Duane DeVeney, Service Planner	35
Rick Gabriel, Supervisor, Purchasing/Stores	32
Paul Enstrom, Safety & Reg. Comp. Coordinator	31

26 - 29 Years of Service

Scott Davidson, Journeyman Line Technician	28
Frances Lendin-Graybeal, Member Service Rep.....	26

21 - 25 Years of Service

Clint Colson, Working Foreman.....	25
Claude Barrett, Area Service Technician	24
Shawna Sinks, GIS Specialist	24
Lester Oltjenbruns, Systems Technician.....	23
Tammi Magallon, Plant Accountant.....	23
Marvin Walisky, Service Planner.....	23
Daniel Hubert, Journeyman Line Technician	21
Gay Carver, Billing Representative	21
Carla Reams, Manager of Admin. & HR.	21
Keri Kling, Billing Representative	21

16 - 20 Years of Service

Renee Koski, Custodian	20
Mark Castle, Journeyman Line Technician	20
Grant Kennedy, AMI Technician	19
Jon Puderbaugh, Working Foreman	18
Preston Joseph, Journeyman Line Technician.....	17
Calvin Rutherford, Manager, Finance & Accounting (Retired, September 2017)	17

11 - 15 Years of Service

Johnathan Smith, Journeyman Line Technician	15
Penny Gabardi, Member Service Representative	14
Michael Morlang, Equipment Technician	14
KJ Johnson, Journeyman Line Technician.....	14
Bart Reams, Journeyman Line Technician.....	13

Eric Pottorff, Area Service Technician	13
Brad Boulden, Working Foreman.....	12
Bob Coulson, Facility Maintenance Technician	12
Kim Nickolaus, AMI Technician.....	12
Jackie Sinclair, GIS/ROW Specialist	12
Tom McLeod, Area Service Technician.....	11
Byrd Williams, Service Planner	11
Darcy Weimer, Journeyman Line Technician.....	11

6 - 10 Years of Service

Jeff Shea, Working Foreman	9
Brad Zaporski, General Manager/CEO.....	9
Scott Reed, Journeyman Substation Technician.....	8
Bill Riley, Manager of Engineering	7
Becky Riley, Member Service Representative.....	6
Joshua Hainey, Senior Accountant	6
Wiley Freeman, Manager of Member Services.....	6

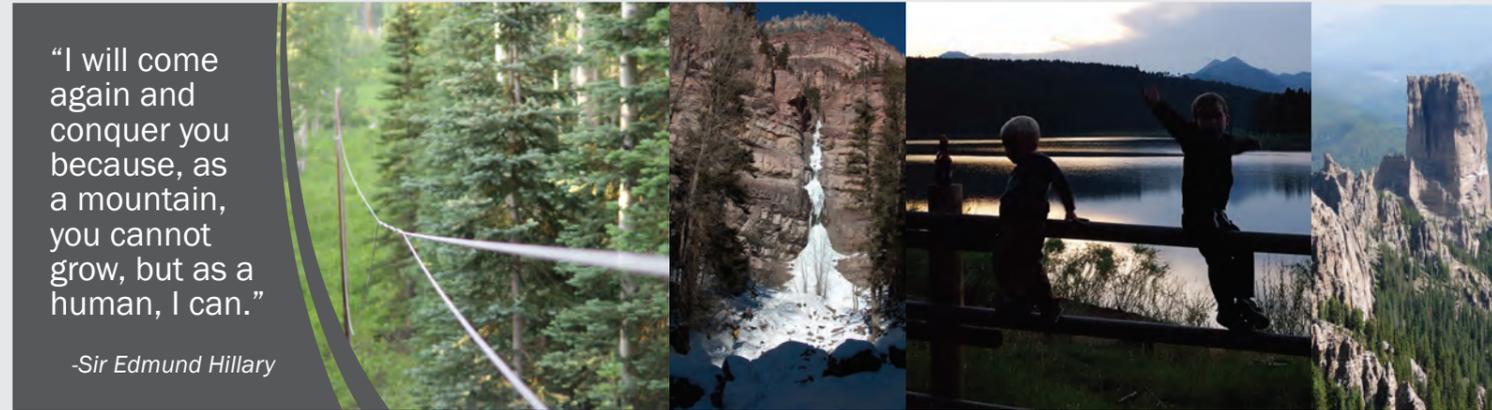
0 - 5 Years of Service

Jeremy Fox, Supervisor of Service Planning	4
Duane Oliver, Manager of Operations	4
Alex Shelley, Communications Executive.....	3
Paul Hora, Key Accounts Executive.....	3
Kelly Truelock, Accounts Payable Accountant.....	2
Dustin Smuin, Senior Mechanic	2
Chris Falk, Apprentice Line Technician	2
Greg James, Mechanic/Warehouseman.....	2
Danielle Rodriguez, Executive Assistant.....	1
Doug Tea, Manager of Technical Services.....	1
Kerri Trosper, Member Service Representative	1
Bill Mertz, Chief Financial Officer.....	<1
Mike Therriault, Staff Engineer.....	<1
Mark Prezbindowski, IT Specialist.....	<1
Hugh Hardman, Apprentice Line Technician.....	<1
Terry Schuyler, Energy Services Executive.....	<1

Offering Help and Hope

The destruction of Hurricane Harvey literally “hit home” with our Key Accounts Executive, Paul Hora. Having grown up in the Houston suburb of Dickenson, TX, Paul decided to spend a week emptying flood-ravaged homes and battling mold for those who couldn’t do it themselves.

Paul was shocked by the support offered by SMPA and its members. All told, he collected over \$4000 in relief. He was also joined by three other volunteers, including SMPA colleague, Communications Executive, Alex Shelley. SMPA recognizes Paul & Alex for demonstrating the cooperative spirit in a time of need.



2017 Annual Meeting Minutes

- The 78th Annual meeting of the San Miguel Power Association (SMPA) members was called to order on June 8, 2017 at 5:38 pm by Board President, Rube Felicelli.
 - Board members present: Doylene Garvey, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer (District 1); Robert Justis, Vice President (District 2); Dave Alexander, Secretary Treasurer (District 3); Jack Sibold (District 4); Rube Felicelli, President (District 5); Debbie Cokes (District 6); and Terry Rhoades (District 7)
- Opening Ceremonies included the National Anthem, Invocation & Introduction of Guests.
- Determination of a Quorum: SMPA staff advised President Felicelli that 92 members were registered and present for the meeting, meeting the required quorum of at least 50 members.
- Reading of Notice of the Meeting and Proof of Publication and/or mailing thereof: Secretary/Treasurer Dave Alexander read the Notice of Meeting and advised members that the appropriate legal notices regarding the meeting had been published in all newspapers within the service territory.
- Reading of the unapproved minutes of the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Members and the Treasurer’s Report and the taking of necessary action thereon: The 2016 Annual Meeting minutes and the Treasurer’s Report were published in the annual report. A motion was made by Member, Tom Austin and seconded from the floor to waive the reading of the minutes. The motion was voted on and carried.
- Scholarship Award Announcements: The Scholarship Awards were announced with several students present to accept their checks.
- President’s Report, Rube Felicelli: President Felicelli welcomed members to the meeting. He spoke about the Board’s Strategic Objectives, highlighting SMPA’s impeccable safety culture, improving service by implementing beneficial technology, and lastly, financial stability, noting that we have not had a rate increase despite larger energy costs in over four years. Director Felicelli explained The New Normal and urged members to take the solar power pledge and to initiate action.
- General Manager’s Report, Brad Zaporski: Manager Zapor-

ski introduced himself to the members. He reported that his first year was not without challenges. He explained that in order to increase reliability we have focused on tree trimming and vegetation management. Natural causes still manage to cause outages, noting one of the larger outages in Illium Valley when a large boulder hit a transmission line. This brought attention to the Telluride/Mountain Village Reliability project that is in progress. This is one of the largest projects that SMPA has taken on and would not be possible without the partnership of Tri-State. Financially, SMPA is healthy. One of the challenges for our local economy in 2017 was the announcement of the Nucla power station closing. Manager Zaporski also explained some of the larger Tri-State future projects that are underway. He also stressed what SMPA does to continue to increase efficiency by naming several local businesses that have utilized our rebates and LED retrofits.

- Keynote Speaker, Sue Hansen: Sue’s message was that change is inevitable and uncomfortable. She used humor as a way to show our membership that although in the energy field the times are changing, we can evolve and laugh to move through the rough patches.
- Unfinished Business: None presented.
- New Business, Question and Answer Session: Members posed questions and made comments regarding SMPA’s relationship with Tri-State, Tri-State policies regarding coal versus renewable energy, our Qualifying Facility rates, SMPA’s election and ballot procedures, and measures that members can take to be more energy efficient.
- Announce Election Results by independent Election Monitor Jim Link:
 - District No. 5: Candidates: Joe Shults and incumbent Rube Felicelli. There were 241 total valid votes, and the winner was Rube Felicelli.
 - District No. 7: Candidates: Dawn Glanc and incumbent Terry Rhoades. There were 380 total votes, and the winner was Terry Rhoades.
- Prize give-away: Every member attending the meeting received a \$10 bill credit and a matted and signed photo by John Coffman. Additional door prizes given via drawing throughout the meeting.
- Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 pm.



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