

A full-page background image featuring a silhouette of a person in a yoga pose (Urdhva Dhanurasana or Upward Bow Pose) against a sunset sky. The person is standing on a rocky outcrop, with a body of water and a distant shoreline visible in the background. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow. The text is overlaid on a light blue rectangular box in the upper portion of the image.

# *advance* Pay

A Flexible Payment Plan

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*Providing power to  
fit your lifestyle.*

**Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc.**

## **Advance Pay.**

All members are not alike and some members want or need the flexibility when purchasing their power. That's why Tri-County Electric offers Advance Pay—an innovative bill payment program designed to meet your needs—and your individual lifestyle.

### **Pay for Power—as you use it.**

For members looking to pay for power as they use it, Advance Pay puts you in charge of your electric bill. Advance Pay gives you the power to purchase electricity when you want, weekly or biweekly, in the amounts you choose rather than one monthly payment, allowing you to monitor and control your electric usage—daily, weekly, monthly—with a select payment plan that works for you and your budget. Instead of receiving a paper bill each month, usage is calculated daily. New members pay a standard refundable \$5 membership fee and a minimal processing fee.

### **How does Advance Pay work?**

When you sign up for Advance Pay, you deposit money into your account, similar to a prepaid cellular phone, and as you use electricity, the cost is deducted on a daily basis. You will have a number of ways, to access and monitor your account at any time. This enables you to chart your own usage so you can better understand how you are using electricity—a helpful way to make your money go further. In fact, monitoring power usage typically reduces consumption on an average of 10 percent.

### **No Credit Check • No Monthly Bill**

### **No Late Charge • No Disconnect or Reconnect Fee**

When you set up your Advance Pay account, you will choose the balance at which you will begin to receive low-balance notifications via a method you choose:

- **e-mail**
- **automated calling service**

This will give you time to purchase more power before the meter stops.

Advance Pay also helps you help the environment by ending paper billings and costs associated with mailing.

### **What if my Advance Pay account runs out?**

If funds in your account run out, your meter will stop and the power will be automatically disconnected and you will be notified. However, once your outstanding balance and minimum payment is made, even on weekends and holidays, your service will be reconnected in minutes.



## How do I make payments?

**Online:** [www.tri-countyelectric.net](http://www.tri-countyelectric.net)

**By Phone:** **Toll Free**  
1-877-874-1215

**At Our Office:** **Mon-Fri, 8 am – 5 pm**  
**Headquarters**  
6473 Old State Rd., St. Matthews  
**Eastover District Office**  
11335 Garners Ferry Rd., Eastover  
**Santee District Office**  
9348 Old #6 Hwy., Santee

## Switching to Advance Pay.

If you are already a Tri-County Electric member, you can switch to an Advance Pay account. Any existing security deposit will be credited to your current account balance. And if you decide that Advance Pay is not for you, we'll switch you back to a traditional account. For details, contact your local member service representative.

*You may make payments, check your account balance and monitor your energy use through*

**MyEnergy** *at* [www.tri-countyelectric.net](http://www.tri-countyelectric.net).  
*online*

*For more information about Advance Pay, visit [www.tri-countyelectric.net](http://www.tri-countyelectric.net).*

**Tri-County Electric Cooperative has  
many programs to help our members.**

**Call or visit us online for more  
information about:**

- Security Lighting
- Green Power
- Convenient Payment Options
- Surge Guard®

*At Tri-County Electric Cooperative,  
we are looking out for you ...*

**HEADQUARTERS OFFICE:**

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