

## IMPORTANT NOTICE!

### Rate Increase

At the October meeting, your Board of Directors for Columbia REA approved a rate increase effective with usage beginning January 1st, 2015.

This increase is being driven by increased costs from Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) in 2015 and by increased costs at the cooperative. The rate increase will be 4.9%. While we know this isn't welcome news, we want you to understand that we are committed to delivering safe and reliable electric service to you, our member, at the lowest possible cost. An average residential bill will increase just under \$7 per month.

If you have questions about how the rate increase will affect you specifically please call or stop by either the Dayton or Walla Walla office and we'll be happy to talk to you.

Columbia REA remains committed to helping you save money on electricity. Please take a few minutes to visit our website at [www.columbiarea.coop](http://www.columbiarea.coop) and look at "Together We Save" for information on reducing energy consumption.



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