

What exactly is the PCA?

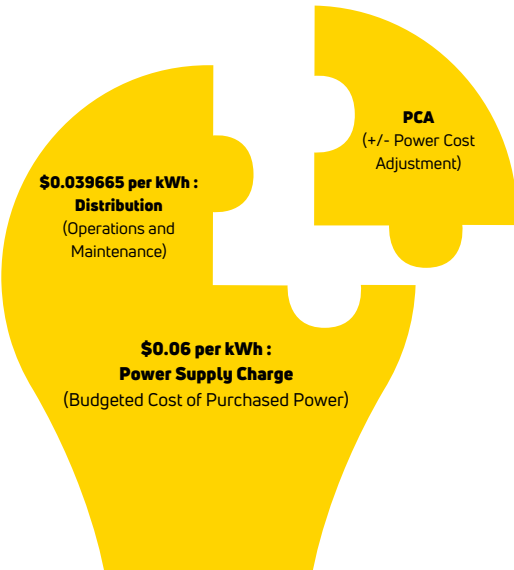
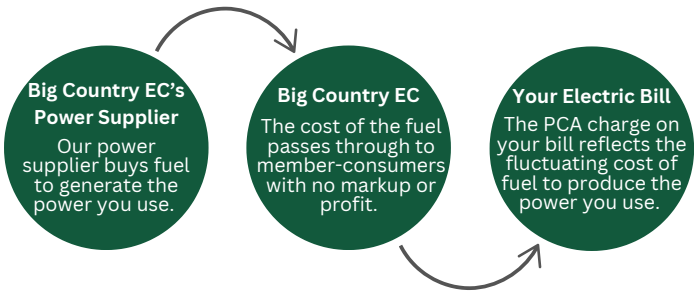
The PCA is the rate component on electric bills based on our average expected/budgeted purchased power cost of \$0.06 per kWh. The exact cost of purchased power varies somewhat from month to month, which is why we base our rate on the budgeted average mentioned. BCEC's residential, farm, and seasonal rate is \$0.099665 per kWh. The difference between that and the budgeted cost of purchased power is about \$0.039665 per kWh, which is what BCEC operates on.

The wholesale Power Supply Charge from GSEC is passed on to the distribution cooperative (BCEC) and then to its member-consumers, you. When the wholesale Power Supply Charge is greater than the amount recovered through the base rate, a Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) is added to each member's bill. Conversely, when the Wholesale Power Cost is lower than our budgeted costs, that amount is reflected as a credit on each member's bill.

PCA - Power Cost Adjustment

BCEC - Big Country Electric Cooperative

GSEC - Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, our Wholesale Power Supplier



BCEC Residential and Farm Rate:

\$0.099665 per kWh

Example PCA Credit: - \$0.005 per kWh

Total Energy Charge: \$0.094665 per kWh

Increasing or decreasing the PCA half a cent per kWh will reflect in approximately a \$10 increase or decrease per 2,000 kWh consumed.