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## Battle River Power Coop and Frontier Energy 2026 Annual General Meeting Highlights



At this year's Annual General Meeting, we reflected on the continued evolution of our industry and the role Battle River Power Coop plays in supporting rural Alberta.

For more than 77 years, our cooperative has been shaped by members who believe in working together to solve challenges locally and build something that serves their communities. That approach continues to guide your Board of Directors today.

This past year has brought ongoing pressure from rising costs, increasing regulatory complexity, and changing expectations around service and technology. In this environment, your Board remains focused on what matters most: making decisions that protect the long-term strength of the cooperative while continuing to deliver value to our members.

### Working Together for Stronger Representation

One of the most important developments this year is the formation of the Power Co-ops of Alberta. This partnership brings together the province's six self-operating REAs to strengthen our collective voice.

By working together, we are improving our ability to advocate for rural Albertans and ensuring our members are well represented as decisions are made that impact the future of electricity in Alberta.

### Billing System Transition

Over the past year, many members experienced challenges with the rollout of our new billing system. We recognize the frustration and inconvenience this has caused, and these concerns are taken seriously.

This transition was necessary, as the previous system

was no longer supported by the software provider. While issues linger, the focus is clear: member experience improvements are a critical deliverable for our organization.

### Investing in the Future

Looking ahead, one of the most significant initiatives is the rollout of Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) through the installation of a smart meter system. This investment will modernize our system and strengthen our ability to meet regulatory needs in the years to come.

Projects like this are essential to ensuring the cooperative remains reliable, competitive, compliant and prepared for future demands.

### Focused on Members

Through every decision, the priority remains clear: acting in the best interest of our members. That means maintaining affordability, operating efficiently, and delivering reliable service.

Battle River Power Coop continues to demonstrate that fair pricing and dependable service can go hand in hand, not just for our members, but as a model across Alberta.

### Looking Ahead

The strength of this cooperative comes from its members, directors, employees, and community partners. Together, we have built something that goes beyond infrastructure. It reflects cooperation, resilience, and a shared commitment to our rural communities.

With that foundation, we are confident in the road ahead and our ability to continue building a strong future for Battle River Power Coop and Frontier Energy.

# Distribution Tariff Increase

To keep delivering reliable power across our rural network, your Board of Directors reviews our rates on a regular basis. As a not-for-profit cooperative, we operate at cost and return value to our members wherever possible.

Previously, Battle River Power Coop completed a cost of service study to better understand what it takes to maintain and operate our system in a financially responsible way. That work, along with continued inflationary pressures, has shown that the cost of providing service has increased.

Based on these findings, the Board has approved a measured adjustment of 3% to our distribution tariff that took effect as of July 1st. This change reflects only what is required to support the system and the members who depend on it.

## Understanding Your Distribution Tariff

Your distribution tariff covers the cost of delivering electricity, including operations, maintaining poles, wires, and local infrastructure. It's a core part of your bill that reflects the cost of serving your location, not the price of energy itself.



## How BRPC Compares

The table below shows a clear trend: **BRPC members consistently pay less than those served by investor-owned utilities.**

- Savings range for our rural members from **\$42 to over \$200 per month** for farm and commercial services.
- Even residential members benefit, with modest but competitive savings.

**BRPC Member Versus IOU Customer Monthly Farm Distribution Tariff**

Service Size kVa or Breakered Equivalent	BRPC Distribution Tariff	Investor Owned Utility Distribution Tariff*	Average Savings for BRPC Members per service size	
3 kVa	\$72.08	\$114.05	\$41.97	<b>58%</b>
5 kVa	\$72.08	\$115.26	\$43.18	<b>60%</b>
7.5 kVa	\$90.43	\$153.18	\$62.75	<b>69%</b>
10 kVa	\$105.90	\$190.04	\$84.14	<b>79%</b>
15 kVa	\$135.46	\$260.05	\$124.59	<b>92%</b>
25 kVa	\$194.22	\$397.85	\$203.63	<b>105%</b>
Residential*	\$48.66	\$50.75	\$2.09	<b>4%</b>

\*Variable rate dependent on average BRPC energy consumption per service size.

### The Difference

As a member-owned cooperative, BRPC focuses on cost recovery, not profit. That means efficient operations, local decision-making, and real savings returned to members.

### The Bottom Line

Across the board, BRPC members keep more money in their pockets, especially in rural Alberta where costs can add up quickly.

# MEAL TO THE FIELD



Battle River Power Coop is pleased to announce our Meal to the Field Contest for 2026. To show appreciation for our hardworking farmers, we are delivering hot meals to 10 of our members. Enter today for your chance to win!



## MEAL TO THE FIELD CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Account #: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**HOW TO ENTER:** **Mail to:** Box 1420, Camrose, AB, T4V 1X3 (Attention: Communications)  
**Complete fillable form on website:** [www.brpower.coop/our-community/meal-to-the-field/](http://www.brpower.coop/our-community/meal-to-the-field/)  
**Fax to:** 780.672.7969  
**Scan and email to:** [communications@brpower.coop](mailto:communications@brpower.coop)  
**Drop off at the office** - we would love to see you!

By submitting this entry you agree to the rules as follows:

- I. Contest is open to members in good standing with Battle River Power Coop.
- II. Limited to one entry per member.
- III. By entering, the winner agrees to the use of their name, address, and photo by Battle River Power Coop in various communication channels without compensation.

Entering the contest is easy. Complete and submit the entry form above or from our website: [www.brpower.coop/our-community/meal-to-the-field/](http://www.brpower.coop/our-community/meal-to-the-field/). Contest includes 10 winners of one meal each. Each meal feeds up to six people. Delivery times are Tuesday and Thursday at 1 p.m.

**DEADLINE TO ENTER IS FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 2026.**

# Manage Your Power Account Anytime, Anywhere

Our online billing portal makes it easy to stay on top of your account, with convenient features designed around how our members live and work:

<b>View your bills anytime</b>	<b>Pay your way</b>
Check your current balance and access past statements in one place.	Make secure online payments, set up pre-authorized payments, or save your payment details for next time.
<b>Keep your information up to date</b>	<b>Access from anywhere</b>
Update contact details and manage multiple accounts with ease.	A mobile-friendly design means you can log in from home, the shop, or out in the field.
<b>Go paperless</b>	Reduce clutter and receive your bills digitally.

We have focused on keeping the experience simple, clear, and reliable so you can spend less time managing your account and more time on what matters most. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact our Utility Billing department at (780) 672-7738 or email at [UtilityBilling@brpower.coop](mailto:UtilityBilling@brpower.coop).

## Stay Up to Date with Battle River Power Coop

If you have had any changes to phone numbers, email addresses, mailing address or wish to add other contact details to your account, please connect with us toll-free at 1.877.428.3972 or email: [brpc@brpower.coop](mailto:brpc@brpower.coop) and we will ensure your account is updated.

Other ways you can stay in the loop with Battle River Power Coop:

- **Visit our website [www.brpower.coop](http://www.brpower.coop).** The website offers on-line account access for members to review their accounts.
- Battle River Power Coop also communicates on popular social media platforms – **Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn.**
- **View outage updates** on our website. Our outage update page provides the most current information on outages in our service area.

### Want to help others learn about our Cooperative?

Scan the QR Code with your phone's camera, click on the link, and leave us a review!



## RATE OF LAST RESORT

The Rate of Last Resort (RoLR) is a fixed monthly rate set at \$0.13000 per kWh until the end of December 2026. Detailed information on the RoLR is available on: [www.brpower.coop](http://www.brpower.coop).

Members are free to purchase natural gas services or electricity services from a retailer of their choice. For a list of retailers, visit [ucahelps.alberta.ca](http://ucahelps.alberta.ca) or call 310-4822 (toll free in Alberta). *Code of Conduct Regulation: Advertising Section 7(1).*

BATTLE RIVER POWER COOP IS AVAILABLE FOR POWER TROUBLE CALLS 24/7/365 CALL TOLL-FREE: 1.877.428.3972

