For the 2012 calendar year, or tax year beginning

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Check if applicable

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

► The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

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OMB No 1545-0047

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Employer Identification Number

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	Н	ed return				132,152,813.
	Applica	ition pending	I HOID II IUHU	a) Is this a group return		
			Same As C Above	Are all affiliates incl If 'No,' attach a list	(see instru	ctions) Yes No
<u> </u>	Tax-exem		501(c)(3) X 501(c) (12) ◀ (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527		_	
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Governance	o Ch.	ook this he	ox If the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more	than 2EV of the		
္ဌ	_	eck this bo wher of vo	oting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	111011 25 /6 01 115	1 3	:is. Q
			dependent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)		4	
ies			of individuals employed in calendar year 2012 (Part V, line 2a)		5	152
Activities &			of volunteers (estimate if necessary)		6	0
ુ ¥	7a Tot	al unrelate	ed business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12		7 a	-10,291.
	b Net	t unrelated	business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34 .		7 b	-10,291.
				Prior Year		Current Year
a			and grants (Part VIII, line 1h) .			
Revenue		•	rice revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	130,221,2		131,745,446.
9.6			ncome (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	236,9		377,967.
æ			e (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	-6,9		-10,291.
			e – add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	130,451,1	.98.	132,113,122.
	13 Gra	ants and s	ımılar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)			
	14 Ber	nefits paid	I to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	3,694,1	.36.	3,711,250.
ø	15 Sal	laries, oth	er compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	16,353,0	138.	<u>15</u> ,711,626.
136	16a Pro	ofessional	fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)			
Expenses	b Tot	tal fundrais	sing expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶			
ă			ses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	110,404,0	124	112,690,246.
	18 Tot	al expens	es Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A) line 25)	130,451,1		132,113,122.
			s expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	130, 431, 1	· • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	0.
88				Beginning of Curren	t Voor	End of Year
alan,	20 Tot	al assets	(Part X, line 16)	197,597,3		202,583,957.
: Asset d Balar			es (Part X, line 26)	136,002,2	13.	138,345,916.
FE	22 Ne	t assets ni	r fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 2TSC IRS #7507.	61,595,1		64,238,041.
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			eclare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the	hast of my knowledge	and haliaf	at so true possest and
comp	olete Declar	ation of prepa	arer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge	/	and belief,	it is tide, correct, and
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Mar	the IDS	discuss #	Macon, GA 31202-0001 This return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)		(4/8)	746-6277 X Yes No
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	Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III		
1	Briefly describe the organization's mission.		
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2	Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the		
	Form 990 or 990-EZ?		Yes X No
	If 'Yes,' describe these new services on Schedule O.		
3	Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program	n services?	Yes X No
	If 'Yes,' describe these changes on Schedule O.		
4	Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program	services, as measured	d by expenses.
	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported	int of grants and allocat	ions to
	official, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, is easily program of the reported		
12	(Code) (Expenses \$ 132,139,936. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 131	,745,446.)
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	d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)		
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2.5-2			Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule A	1	_	Х
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)?	2		X
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I	3		х
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II	4		
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part III	5		х
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part I	6		х
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part II	7		х
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part III	8		х
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part IV	9		х
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part V	10		х
11	If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is 'Yes', then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.			
;	a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings and equipment in Part X, line 10 ⁹ If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VI	11 a	х	
١	b Did the organization report an amount for investments – other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VII	11 b		х
,	c Did the organization report an amount for investments — program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VIII.	11 c		Х
	d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part IX	11 d	 	Х
	e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X	11 e	Х	
	f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X	11 f		Х
	a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Parts XI, and XII	12a		Х
	b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If 'Yes,' and if the organization answered 'No' to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional	126		Х
	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E	13		X
	a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a		X
	b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV	14b		х
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV	15		х
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV	16		х
17	Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)	17		х
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part II	18	<u> </u>	х
	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part III	19	<u> </u>	x
	a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule H	20	_	X
	b If 'Yes' to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20 t	<u> </u>	

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Pend V Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

		T -	Yes	No
21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	21		х
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22		х
23	Did the organization answer 'Yes' to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J .	23	х	
24 a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, and that was issued after December 31, 2002? If 'Yes,' answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If 'No,'go to line 25	24a		х
t	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
C	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c		
•	Did the organization act as an 'on behalf of' issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
25 a	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I	25a		
t	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I	25b		
26	Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highest compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II	26		X
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part III	27		Х
	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):	:		
ā	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV	28a		Х
t	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV	28b		х
C	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c		X
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M	29		Х
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M	30		х
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part I	31		X
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part II	32		Х
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301 7701-2 and 301 7701-3? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part I	33		Х
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1	34		х
35 a	a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		Х
ì	o If 'Yes' to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	35b		
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	36		
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part VI	37		_x
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	38	Х	
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Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V					1
				Yes	N
1 a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096 Enter -0- if not applicable	1 a	131			
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1 b	C			
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	reporta	ble gaming	1 c	X	
2a Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2 a	152			
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment			2 b	Х	
Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to <i>e-file</i> . (see i					
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the ye			3 a	Х	
b If 'Yes' has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule C			3 b	Х	
4a At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or oth		ority over a			
financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other	financi	al account)?	4 a		X
b If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country					
See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and	Financ	ial Accounts	!.		
5 a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the ta	x year	? .	5 a		X
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shell	ter tra	nsaction?	5 b		X
c If 'Yes,' to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?			5 c		
6 a Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, a solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	and dic	the organization	6a		Х
b If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contribu	tions or	r gifts were	6ь		
not tax deductible? 7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			00		
a Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and payment in excess of \$75 made payment in excess	partly f	for goods and	7 a		
b If 'Yes,' did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?)		7 b		_
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it Form 8282?		quired to file	7 c		
d If 'Yes,' indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7 d				
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal	benef	it contract?	7 e		
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal ber			7 f		
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file					
as required?	orga	aration file o	7 g		
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the Form 1098-C?	orgai		7 h		
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, holdings at any time during the year?			8		
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.					
a Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?.			9a		
b Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?			9 Ь		
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:					
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a				
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10 b				
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter.					
a Gross income from members or shareholders	11 a	130,913,560.			
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources		· · ·			
against amounts due or received from them)	11 b	540,120.			
12 a Section 4947(a)(1) non - exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu		m 1041?	12a		
b If 'Yes,' enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b				
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.					
a is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?			13a		
Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedu	ie O.				
b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b	·- ··			
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13 c				Ą
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?			14 a		_ X

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Page 6 Governance, Management and Disclosure For each 'Yes' response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a 'No' response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions. Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VI Section A. Governing Body and Management Yes No 1 a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year 1 a 9 If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent 1 h Q Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other X officer, director, trustee or key employee? 2 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person? 3 X Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? 5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? See Schedule O Did the organization have members or stockholders? X 6 7a Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?. See Schedule 0 7 a X b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, See Sch O 7 b X stockholders, or other persons other than the governing body? Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following: 8 a Х a The governing body? X b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? 8 b Is there any officer, director or trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If 'Yes,' provide the names and addresses in Schedule QX Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code Yes No 10 a 10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? b If 'Yes,' did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes: 10 b 11 a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form? X 11 a b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990 See Schedule O 12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If 'No,' go to line 13 X 12 a b Were officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise Х to conflicts? 12 b c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If 'Yes,' describe in Schedule O how this is done . See Schedule O 120 X Schedule O how this is done . X 13 13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy? 14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? $\overline{\mathbf{x}}$ 14 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision? a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official See. Schedule O Х 15a \overline{X} 15 b b Other officers of key employees of the organization See Schedule O If 'Yes' to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O. (See instructions) 16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a 16 a taxable entity during the year? b If 'Yes,' did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements? 16_b Section C. Disclosure 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ▶ SC Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply. X Upon request Other (explain in Schedule O) Another's website

Tony Fogg P.O. Box 548 Kingstree SC 29556 843-355-6187

See Schedule O

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the public during the tax year.

State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization.

Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to

Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

- 1 a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.
- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
 - List all of the organization's current key employees, if any See instructions for definition of 'key employee'
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees, officers; key employees; highest compensated employees, and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.										
		(C)							İ	
(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list	Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)					n an I	(D) Reportable compensation from the organization	Reportable compensation from	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation
	week (list any hours for related organiza- tions below dotted line)	Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former	the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	from the organization and related organizations
(1) S E COOPER, JR	_ 12 _									
Secretary/Treas	0	X		X				49,374.	0.	0.
(2) DONALD E COKER	4.5									
Vice Chairman	0	Х		Х				32,693.	0.	0.
(3) RAYMOND FULTON	12									
Trustee	0	X						42,763.	0.	0.
(4) WALTER SANDERS	5									
Trustee	0	X						17,100.	0.	0.
(5) ANDY D McKNIGHT	8									
2nd V. Chairman	0	[X		X				40,538.	0.	0.
(6) BILLY L MORRIS, JR	14									
Trustee	0	X						48,800.	0.	0.
(7) JAMES E SCOTT	5									
Trustee	0	Х						25,390.	0.	0.
(8) CHARLES E WILSON	12									n
Asst. Sec/Treas	0	X		X				40,103.	0.	0.
(9) STANLEY PASLEY	88									
Chairman	0	X		Х				37,494.	0.	0.
(10) FLOYD L KEELS	50									
President & CEO	0			X				234,027.	0.	98,675.
(11) JAMES FOGG	40	I								
VP & CFO	0					X		140,833.	0.	69,822.
(12) ROBERT HIGBE	50									
VP-Operations_	0					X		132,051.	0.	81,558.
(13)										
(14)							-			

Partition A. Officers, Directors, Trus		<u>ney</u>	EM			es,	апс	nignest Con	ipensated En	npioyees (cont)
(B)				(C	-					
(A) Name and title	Average hours per	DOX.	unle	ss pe	erson	than is both or/trus	n an	(D) Reportable compensation from	(E) Reportable compensation from	(F) Estimated amount of other
	week (list any hours for related organiza tions below dotted line)	Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former	the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	related organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	compensation from the organization and related organizations
(15)										
(16)										
(17)										
(18)		-								
<u>(19)</u>		-								
(20)										
(21)										-
(22)										
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
1 b Sub-total								841,166.	ı	0. 250,055.
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section	n A						-	0.	-	0. 0.
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)		4	- 1					841,166.	i	0. 250,055.
2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited t from the organization ► 3	o triose i	istea	abo	ve) \	wno 	recei	vea	more than \$100,00	or reportable co	
 3 Did the organization list any former officer, direct on line 1a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for such 4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of its content. 	<i>ındıvıdı</i> reportab	<i>ial</i> le co	mpe	ensa	ition	and	oth	ner compensation		Yes No
the organization and related organizations greater such individual	than \$1	50,0	00?	If 'Y	Yes'	com	plet	te Schedule J for	•	4 X
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue for services rendered to the organization? <i>If 'Yes,</i> Section B. Independent Contractors	comper comple	isatio	n tr	om dule	any J fo	unre or suc	elate ch p	ed organization or person	individual 	5 X
Complete this table for your five highest compens compensation from the organization. Report compens.	ated ind ation for	epen the c	den alen	t co dar	ntra year	ctors	tha ing v	with or within the or	ganization's tax y	rear.
(A) Name and business addre	ess							(B) Description) of services	(C) Compensation
JIMMY'S TREE SERVICE INC. 753 BROCKINGTON R	D KING	STRE	Ε,	SC	295	56		Tree Service		1,243,621.
ALTEC INDUSTRIES, INC PO BOX 11407 BIRMINGH	AM, AL	352	46					VEHICLE REPAI	R	467,642.
TRU-CHECK METER SERVICE P.O. BOX 253 SOMERS	ET, KY	425	02					Meter Service	<u>: </u>	311,632.

319,617.

301,238

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MARIN RIGHT OF WAY SERVICE, LLC 817 PHILLIPS ROAD WALTERBORO, SC 294 RIGHT OF WAY

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than

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\$100,000 in compensation from the organization ► 5

	Check if Schedule O contains a response	onse to any question	on in this Part VIII	·		
			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514
野田	1 a Federated campaigns 1 a					
88	b Membership dues . 1b					
₹.	c Fundraising events . 1c			1		
듬뙲	d Related organizations.			1		
ž is	e Government grants (contributions) 1 e					
올림	f All other contributions gifts grants and					
護림	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above . 1 f			ì		
통일	g Noncash contributions included in Ins 1a-1f. \$					
ຮ ₹	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f	•		İ		
늴		Business Code				
EVE	2a Electric Revenue	221000	130913560.	130913560.		
<u> </u>	b Patronage Capital Credits	221000	610,693.	610,693.		
웆	c Pole Rental	221000	221,193.	525,555		221,193.
S	d				··.	
PROGRAM SERVICE REVENUE AND OTHER SIMILAR AMOUNTS	e				***	
뜅	f All other program service revenue			-		
~	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f	•	131745446.			
	3 Investment income (including dividends	s, interest and				
	other similar amounts)	•	377,967.			377,967.
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt	bond proceeds ►				
	5 Royalties	. ▶				
	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
	6a Gross rents 29, 400.					
	b Less: rental expenses 39,691.					
	c Rental income or (loss) -10,291.					
	d Net rental income or (loss)	. •	-10,291.		-10,291.	
	7 a Gross amount from sales of (i) Securities	(II) Other				
	assets other than inventory			}		
	b Less: cost or other basis		ļ			
	and sales expenses			1		,
	c Gain or (loss)					ļ
	d Net gain or (loss)					
ш	8a Gross income from fundraising events					į
舀	(not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c).					
OTHER REVENU	ŗ ·					
篮	See Part IV, line 18			1		
횽	b Less direct expenses c Net income or (loss) from fundraising e	vonts •		}	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	• •	vents	-			1
	9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19					
	b Less direct expenses					
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activity	uties •				
	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,					
	10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances a	<u>, </u>		ļ		
	b Less cost of goods sold					
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of invel	ntorv •		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
	Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	11 a					
	ь					-
- 1	c	•				
	d All other revenue					
	e Total. Add lines 11a-11d	•				<u> </u>
	12 Total revenue. See instructions .	-	132113122.	131524253.	-10,291.	599,160.

Sec	tion 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must con Check if Schedule O contains a i			omplete column (A).	
Do 1	not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising
1	Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States. See Part IV, line 21		expenses	general expenses	expenses
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States. See Part IV, line 22			See the first of the see that t	kan arian kan aran da da da da da da da da da da da da da
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				STATE THE TENTE OF THE STATE OF
4	Benefits paid to or for members	3,711,250.	3,711,250.	handaru ta materiora e materio, e sente. P	
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	666,957.	666,957.	0.	0.
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0.	0.	0.	0.
7	Other salaries and wages	7,480,659.	7,480,659.		
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	2,205,252.	2,205,252.		
9	Other employee benefits	4,943,987.	4,943,987.		
10	Payroll taxes.	414,771.	414,771.		
11	Fees for services (non-employees):	414,771.	414, 111.		
	a Management .				
	Legal .				
•	Accounting			-	
(d Lobbying				- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
•	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
1	Investment management fees				
ç	Other. (If line 11g amt exceeds 10% of line 25, col-	391,721.	391,721.		
12	umn (A) amt, list line 11g expenses on Sch (0) Advertising and promotion	404,232.	404,232.		
13	Office expenses	193,949.	193,949.		
14	Information technology	347,170.	347,170.		
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy		,		
17	Travel	55,685.	55,685.		
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	223,476.	223,476.		
20	Interest	4,951,445.	4,951,445.		
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	6,046,064.	6,046,064.		
23	Insurance Other expenses Itemize expenses not	541,579.	541,579.		
24	covered above (List miscellaneous expenses				
	in line 24e If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)	· ·	! !		
ā	Purchased Power	92,775,092.	92,775,092.		
	Distribution Operations	4,209,578.	4,209,578.		
•	Distribution Maintenance	2,546,368.	2,546,368.		
	Admin & General Exp	1,075,678.	1,075,678.		
	All other expenses .	-1,071,791.	-1,071,791.		
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e .	132,113,122.	132,113,122.	0.	0.
26	Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here ► ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part X (B) End of year Beginning of year 2,986,031 1 6,542,549. Cash - non-interest-bearing Savings and temporary cash investments 2 2,000,000 3 3 Pledges and grants receivable, net Accounts receivable, net 13,403,436 4 14,517,688. Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L 5 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L 6 Notes and loans receivable, net 7 1,932,343 1,572,666. 3,295,339. Inventories for sale or use 8 2,703,886 9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges 471,790. 304,466. 10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D 10 a 209,846,454 10Ь b Less accumulated depreciation 42,181,039. 163,756,497 10 c 167,665,415. 11 Investments - publicly traded securities 11 12 Investments - other securities See Part IV, line 11 12 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11 13 13 7,520,460 7,987,273. 14 Intangible assets 14 15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11 2,822,936 698,561. 16 202,583,957. Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) 197,597,379 16 17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses . 12,405,540 17 14,964,217. 18 Grants payable Deferred revenue 19 19 20 20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities 21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L 22 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties 23 112,668,963. 114,567,544. Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties 24 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D 25 10,927,710 8,814,155. 26 136,002,213 138,345,916 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25 Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34. Unrestricted net assets ASSETS 28 Temporarily restricted net assets 28 29 Permanently restricted net assets 8 R Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here X and complete lines 30 through 34. Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds 30 194,470 193,945. Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund 31 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds 32 61,400,696 64,044,096. Total net assets or fund balances 61,595,166 33 64,238,041. Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances 34 34 197,597,379 202,583,957. BAA Form 990 (2012)

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Pa	Reconciliation of Net Assets			_	
	Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI	· _ ·			X
1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	132,1	13,1	22.
2	? Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	132,1		
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3			0.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	. 4	61,5	95.1	
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments .	5			
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6			
7	Investment expenses .	7			
8	Prior period adjustments.	8			
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O) See Schedule O	9	2,6	42,8	75.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	64,2		
Pa	Financial Statements and Reporting				
	Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII				П
	Oneck if deficable o contains a response to any question in this rate on			Yes	No.
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 Cash X Accrual Other				-110
•			_		
	If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked 'Other,' explain in Schedule O			, ;	
2	2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		2a		<u> </u>
	If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or re separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:	viewed on a			
	Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis				
	b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?		2 b	x	
	If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a s	eparate			
	basis, consolidated basis, or both:				
	X Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis				
	c If 'Yes' to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?	audit,	2 c	х	
	If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O				
3	3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Sir Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?	igle	3a		Х
	b If 'Yes,' did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the require or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits	d audit	3 b		

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SCHEDULE D * (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Name of the organization

Supplemental Financial Statements

► Complete if the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, lines 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. ► Attach to Form 990. ► See separate instructions.

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Employer identification number

Saı	ntee Electric Cooperative				57-0240935	
Pa	Organizations Maintaining Dono	or Advised Funds or O	ther Similar Fun	ds or Acc		e if
	the organization answered 'Yes'	to Form 990, Part IV, I	ine 6.			_
		(a) Donor advise	ed funds	(b) F	unds and other acc	ounts
1	Total number at end of year.					
2	Aggregate contributions to (during year)					
3	Aggregate grants from (during year) .					
4	Aggregate value at end of year				_	
5	Did the organization inform all donors and dor are the organization's property, subject to the	nor advisors in writing that t organization's exclusive lec	he assets held in do	nor advised	funds Yes	No
6	Did the organization inform all grantees, dono for charitable purposes and not for the benefit impermissible private benefit?	t of the donor or donor advis	sor, or for any other	purpose con	ferring Yes	 ☐ No
Pa	Conservation Easements. Comp			to Form 9	90, Part IV, line	e 7.
1	Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by	y the organization (check al	I that apply)			
	Preservation of land for public use (e g , r	recreation or education)	Preservation of	f an historica	ally important land	area
	Protection of natural habitat		Preservation of	f a certified l	nistoric structure	
	Preservation of open space		_			
2	Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization hast day of the tax year.	held a qualified conservation of	contribution in the form	of a conserv	ation easement on t	he
				H	eld at the End of the	ne Tax Year
	Total number of conservation easements			2 a		
- 1	Total acreage restricted by conservation ease	ments		2 b		
•	Number of conservation easements on a certi	ified historic structure includ	ed ın (a)	2 c	=.	
(d Number of conservation easements included i structure listed in the National Register	ın (c) acquired after 8/17/06	, and not on a histori	2 d		
3	Number of conservation easements modified, trar tax year ►	nsferred, released, extinguishe	ed, or terminated by th	e organizatio	n during the	
4	Number of states where property subject to conse	ervation easement is located •	•			
5	Does the organization have a written policy re and enforcement of the conservation easement	egarding the periodic monito ints it holds?	ring, inspection, han	dling of viola	ations, Yes	No
6	Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring,	inspecting, and enforcing cons	servation easements d	luring the yea	ľ	
7	Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, insper ►\$	ecting, and enforcing conserva	ation easements during	the year		
8	Does each conservation easement reported or and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?	n line 2(d) above satisfy the	requirements of sec	ction 170(h)(4)(B)(ı) Yes	☐ No
9	In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports include, if applicable, the text of the footnote conservation easements	to the organization's financi	al statements that de	escribes the	organization's acco	and ounting for
Pa	Organizations Maintaining Colle Complete if the organization ans	ections of Art, Historic wered 'Yes' to Form 99	al Treasures, or 90, Part IV, line 8	Other Sim	nilar Assets.	
1:	a If the organization elected, as permitted unde art, historical treasures, or other similar assets he in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its final	eld for public exhibition, educa	ition, or research in fui	ue statemer rtherance of p	nt and balance shee public service, provid	et works of le,
l	b If the organization elected, as permitted unde historical treasures, or other similar assets held for following amounts relating to these items.	er SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to re or public exhibition, education	eport in its revenue s , or research in further	statement ar rance of publi	nd balance sheet wo c service, provide th	orks of art, e
	(i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII,	, line 1 .		·	► \$	
	(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X				► \$	
2	If the organization received or held works of art, hamounts required to be reported under SFAS	historical treasures, or other si 116 (ASC 958) relating to tl	milar assets for financ nese items	cial gain, prov	vide the following	
i	a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line	e 1			► \$	
ı	Assets included in Form 990, Part X.	•	•		► \$	

Schedule D (Form 990) 2012. Santee Elect Organizations Maintaining Col	ric Cooperative	orical Treasures. o	57-024 r Other Similar Ass	10935 sets (continu	Page 2 ued)
3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession,					<u></u>
items (check all that apply):	—	any or the following that e	re a significant use of its	concetion	
a Public exhibition	d Loan	or exchange programs			
b Scholarly research	e U Other	·			_
c Preservation for future generations					
4 Provide a description of the organization's colle Part XIII.					
5 During the year, did the organization solicition to be sold to raise funds rather than to be m	or receive donations of ai naintained as part of the o	rt, historical treasures, organization's collection	or other similar assets i?	Yes	No
Partity Escrow and Custodial Arrangements reported an amount on Form 99	. Complete if the organiz	ration answered 'Yes' t	o Form 990, Part IV, III	ne 9, or	
1 a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custod on Form 990, Part X?	•	•	her assets not included	Yes	No
b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIII	and complete the follow	ing table:	<u></u>		
December halans				Amount	
c Beginning balance .			1 c		
d Additions during the year	•	•	1 d		
e Distributions during the yearf Ending balance.			1 e		
2 a Did the organization include an amount on F	orm 990 Part X line 21	7	111	Yes	No
b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIII			d in Part XIII	☐ 1es }	- "
en res, explain the arrangement in rate xiii	. Oneok hore it the explain	mon nos socn provide	a m r are /m	L	
Part V Endowment Funds. Complete	if the organization ar	nswered 'Yes' to Fo	rm 990. Part IV. Ju	ne 10.	
(a) Curr			(d) Three years	(e) Four year	ars
1 a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions .					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					
2 Provide the estimated percentage of the cur	rent year end balance (lii	ne 1g, column (a)) held	as:		
a Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶	%				
b Permanent endowment ►	. 8				
c Temporarily restricted endowment ▶	%				
The percentages in lines 2a, 2b, and 2c sho	uld equal 100%.				
3 a Are there endowment funds not in the possession organization by:	on of the organization that a	are held and administere	d for the	Yes	No
(i) unrelated organizations				3a(i)	
(ii) related organizations	•			3a(ii)	<u> </u>
b If 'Yes' to 3a(ıı), are the related organization			•	3b	
4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of th	-				
Pant VI Land, Buildings, and Equipme	1		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book v	alue
1 a Land		1,779,810.	·	1,779	
b Buildings		13,392,437.	7,344,808.	6,047	,629.
c Leasehold improvements				<u> </u>	
d Equipment		194,674,207.	34,836,231.	159,83 <u>7</u>	<u>,976.</u>
e Other	1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -			 	
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must	equal Form 990, Part X,	column (B), line 10(c)		167,665 Jule D (Form 990	
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Part VII	Investments - Other Securities. See			e 12.	N/A ·		
	(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Bool	k value		(c) Method of valuation end-of-year market	on· Cost or et value	
(1) Financ	ial derivatives						
	/-held equity interests						
(3) Other							•
(A)							
(B)							
(C)							
(D)							-
(E)	-						
(F)							
(G)							
(H)							
(l)							
Total. (Colum	nn (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 12.)						
Part VIII	Investments - Program Related. See	Form 990	, Part X, Im	e 13.	N/A		
F:	(a) Description of investment type	(b) Boo			(c) Method of valuation end-of-year marks	on: Cost or et value	
(1)							
(2)							
(3)							
(4)				•			
(5)		-					
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
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	mn (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 13.)				<u></u>		
Part IX	Other Assets. See Form 990, Part X, I		N/A				
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Part X	Other Liabilities. See Form 990, Part			1			
	(a) Description of liability	(D)	Book value	4			
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2. FIN 48 (ASC 740) Footnote. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

Schedule D (Form 990) 2012 Santee Electric Cooperative	57-0240935 Page 4
Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements Wit	h Revenue per Return N/A
1 Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	. 1
2 Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:	
a Net unrealized gains on investments . 2a	
b Donated services and use of facilities. 2b	
c Recoveries of prior year grants 2c	
d Other (Describe in Part XIII) . 2d	
e Add lines 2a through 2d	2 e
3 Subtract line 2e from line 1	3
4 Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:	
a Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	l l
b Other (Describe in Part XIII)	
c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c
5 Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5
Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements W	ith Expenses per Return N/A
Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1
2 Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25	
a Donated services and use of facilities 2a	
b Prior year adjustments	
c Other losses	
d Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	
e Add lines 2a through 2d	2 e
3 Subtract line 2e from line 1	3
4 Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:	
a Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	·
b Other (Describe in Part XIII)	
c Add lines 4a and 4b	4 c
5 Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5
Part XIII Supplemental Information	-
Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b Also complete t	ines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, his part to provide any additional information.
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SCHEDULE J ' (Form 990)

Compensation Information

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

► Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 23.
 ► Attach to Form 990. ► See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization

Santee Electric Cooperative

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i.e.	du Questions Regarding Compensation				
	Charles Alexander and American (All Charles Alexander)			Yes	No
1 (a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relev	the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part want information regarding these items.			1
	First-class or charter travel	Housing allowance or residence for personal use			
	Travel for companions	Payments for business use of personal residence			
	Tax indemnification and gross-up payments	Health or social club dues or initiation fees			
	Discretionary spending account	Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)			
	b If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization fo	pllow a written policy regarding payment or			!
•	reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described	above? If 'No,' complete Part III to explain	1 b		
2	Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the item	allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, as checked in line 1a?	2		
3	Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply Do not check a establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but expenses the compensation of the CEO/Executive Director.	I to establish the compensation of the organization's any boxes for methods used by a related organization to explain in Part III.			
	Compensation committee	Written employment contract			1
	X Independent compensation consultant	X Compensation survey or study			
	Form 990 of other organizations	X Approval by the board or compensation committee	j		
4	During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, or a related organization	Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization			
;	a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment	?.	4a		Х
	b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonc	•	4 b		Х
•	c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based com-	· ·	4 c		X
	If 'Yes' to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the	applicable amounts for each item in Part III			
	Only section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must com	mplete lines 5.9	; ;		
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5	For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, contingent on the revenues of:	did the organization pay or accrue any compensation		ł :	
	a The organization?		5 a		
١	b Any related organization?	•	5 b		
	If 'Yes' to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III		:	!	
6	For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, contingent on the net earnings of.	did the organization pay or accrue any compensation		1	1 3
	a The organization?		6 a		
ı	b Any related organization?		6 b		
	If 'Yes' to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.				
7	For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, of payments not described in lines 5 and 67 lf 'Yes,' describe in	did the organization provide any non-fixed n Part III	7		
8	Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or ac	ccrued pursuant to a contract that was subject			
	to the initial contract exception described in Regulations sect if 'Yes,' describe in Part III	tion 53.4958-4(a)(3)?	8		
9	If 'Yes' to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presection 53 4958-6(c)?	resumption procedure described in Regulations	9		

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Parall Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(I)-(III) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable columns (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

		(B) Breakdown of	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation	compensation	(C) Retirement	(D) Nontaxable	(E) Total of	(F) Compensation
(A) Name and Title	I	(I) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus and incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation	deferred compensation	Dellems	ליטן ביון ליטן ביו וויוויסט	deferred in prior
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SCHEDULE L ' (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Transactions With Interested Persons

2012

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Name of the organization

► Complete if the organization answered
'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a, 25b, 26, 27, 28a, 28b, 28c,
or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or 40b.
► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ► See separate instructions.

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Excess Benefit Transactions (section 501(c)(3) and section 501(c)(4) organizations only). Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b.

-	(a) Name of disqualified person	(b) Relationship between disqualified	(c) Description of transaction	(d) Cor	rrected?
'		person and organization		Yes	No
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- 2 Enter the amount of tax incurred by the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under section 4958
- 3 Enter the amount of tax, if any, on line 2, above, reimbursed by the organization

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Loans to and/or From Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990-EZ, Page V, line 38a or Form 990, Part IV, line 26; or if the organization reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 5, 6, or 22.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship with organization	(c) Purpose of loan	fror	an to or n the ızatıon?	(e) Original principal amount	(f) Balance due	(g) in (default?	(h) Ap by bo comm	proved ard or uttee?	(i) Wi	ntten nent?
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Grants or Assistance Benefiting Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 27.

	(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of assistance	(d) Type of Assistance	(e) Purpose of assistance
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Business Transactions Invo Complete if the organization answere	Iving Interested Persed 'Yes' on Form 990, Part	s ons. IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28d).			
(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of tra	ansaction	(e) Sharir organizat revenue Yes	ng of tion's es?
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SCHEDULE O (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

► Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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57-0240935 Santee Electric Cooperative Form 990, Part VI, Line 6 - Explanation of Classes of Members or Shareholder THE COOPERATIVE HAS MEMBERS AS PROVIDED FOR IN ITS BYLAWS WHICH ARE INCLUDED AS A PART OF THIS RETURN Form 990, Part VI, Line 7a - How Members or Shareholders Elect Governing Body THE COOPERATIVE HAS MEMBERS WHO ELECT MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY AS PROVIDED FOR IN ITS BYLAWS WHICH ARE INCLUDED AS A PART OF THIS RETURN. Form 990. Part VI. Line 7b - Decisions of Governing Body Approval by Members or Shareholders CERTAIN DECISIONS OF THE GOVERNING BODY ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY MEMBERS AS PROVIDED FOR IN ITS BYLAWS WHICH ARE INCLUDED AS A PART OF THIS RETURN. Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b - Form 990 Review Process FORM 990 IS REVIEWED BY THE BOARD WITH ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION MADE AVAILABLE TO THEM. Form 990, Part VI, Line 12c - Explanation of Monitoring and Enforcement of Conflicts THE COOPERATIVE REGULARLY AND CONSISTENTLY MONITORS AND ENFORCES COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AS PROVIDED FOR IN ITS POLICY WHICH IS INCLUDED AS A PART OF THIS RETURN. Form 990, Part VI, Line 15a - Compensation Review & Approval Process - CEO, Top Management COMPENSATION FOR THE CEO IS REVIEWED AND APPROVED THROUGH THE USE OF COMPENSATION SURVEYS ANALYZED BY AN OUTSIDE CONSULTANT AND A PERFORMANCE REVIEW CONDUCTED BY THE MEMBER-ELECTED BOARD. Form 990, Part VI, Line 15b - Compensation Review & Approval Process - Officers & Key Employees COMPENSATION FOR KEY EMPLOYEES IS REVIEWED AND APPROVED THROUGH THE USE OF A PERFORMANCE REVIEW CONDUCTED BY THE CEO. Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 - Other Organization Documents Publicly Available THE COOPERATIVE MAKES ITS BYLAWS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AS PART OF ITS FORM 990. THE FORM 990 IS

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SANTEE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE (SANTEE) IS A MEMBER OF A NUMBER OF ORGANIZATIONS WHERE A SANTEE OFFICER OR TRUSTEE MAY SERVE AS SANTEE'S REPRESENTATIVE ON THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. THESE INDIVIDUALS SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF SANTEE AND CAN SERVE ONLY AS LONG AS THEY REPRESENT SANTEE. THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS SERVED IN SUCH POSITIONS:

FLOYD L. KEELS - TRUSTEE OF COOPERATIVE ELECTRIC ENERGY UTILITY SUPPLY, INC. (CEE-US); TRUSTEE OF THE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES OF SOUTH CAROLINA, INC. (ECSC); TRUSTEE OF CENTRAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. (CENTRAL)

RAYMOND FULTON - TRUSTEE OF ECSC

STANLEY PASLEY - TRUSTEE OF CENTRAL

JAMES E. SCOTT - TRUSTEE OF CEE-US

CEE-US IS A CORPORATION ORGANIZED TO:

- FOSTER, DEVELOP AND ENCOURAGE PROGRAMS OF RURAL ELECTRIFICATION IN SOUTH CAROLINA AND ELSEWHERE BY PROVIDING A NONPROFIT DISTRIBUTOR FOR ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT, FUEL AND ENERGY
- SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT, FUEL AND ENERGY
 ESTABLISH A UNIFORM PRICE AND CONSTANT SUPPLY THROUGHOUT ITS SERVICE AREAS BY THE METHOD OF MASS PURCHASING, MANUFACTURING AND OTHERWISE

SANTEE PAID \$3,837,894 FOR THE ABOVE SERVICES PROVIDED BY CEE-US DURING 2012.

ECSC IS A NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION ORGANIZED TO:

- FOSTER, DEVELOP AND ENCOURAGE THE PROGRAM OF RURAL ELECTRIFICATION IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
- FURTHER THE GENERAL WELFARE AND TO PROMOTE THE INTEREST OF THE MEMBERS OF ECSC; TO FURTHER THE SAFETY, STABILITY, SECURITY AND PROSPERITY OF ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES; TO AID IN SOLVING THE PROBLEMS COMMON TO ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES
- DISSEMINATE INFORMATION RELATING TO THE RURAL ELECTRIFICATION PROGRAM; TO COOPERATE WITH FEDERAL, STATE AND MUNICIPAL AGENCIES IN THE PROMOTION OF RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND NATIONAL, STATE, COMMUNITY AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT; TO PROVIDE SERVICES AND INFORMATIONAL PROGRAMS THAT WILL STIMULATE LOCAL GROWTH, STABILITY AND SECURITY AND STRENGTHEN THE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE PROGRAM IN SOUTH CAROLINA
- OTHERWISE ASSIST THE MEMBERS OF ECSC TO PROVIDE ELECTRIC ENERGY TO INHABITANTS OF MEMBER SERVICE AREAS AT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE COST CONSISTENT WITH SOUND ECONOMY
- OPERATE ALWAYS FOR THE BENEFIT OF ITS MEMBER COOPERATIVES AND THROUGH THEM FOR THE BENEFIT OF THEIR CONSUMERS, DOING THOSE THINGS THROUGH ECSC THAT CAN BE DONE BETTER TOGETHER THAN INDIVIDUALLY

SANTEE PAID \$614,465 FOR THE ABOVE SERVICES PROVIDED BY ECSC DURING 2012.

CENTRAL IS A GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION COOPERATIVE THAT EXISTS SOLELY FOR THE BENEFIT OF ITS MEMBERS. CENTRAL PROVIDES A RELIABLE, LONG-TERM, AND STABLE SUPPLY OF POWER, WHICH ACCOMODATES GROWTH, AT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE COST CONSISTENT WITH GOOD UTILITY PRACTICE. CENTRAL PROVIDES FOR RELIABLE DELIVERY OF POWER WHEN AND WHERE DESIRED, CONSISTENT WITH APPLICABLE GUIDELINES. CENTRAL PROVIDES ADDITIONAL ENERGY-RELATED OR DELIVERY-RELATED SERVICES, AS DIRECTED BY ITS BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

SANTEE PAID \$92,672,753 FOR THE ABOVE SERVICES PROVIDED BY CENTRAL DURING 2012.

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SANTEE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FLOYD L. KEELS SERVED AS A TRUSTEE AT THE EXCHANGE BANK (EXCHANGE) WHERE SANTEE HAS A BANKING RELATIONSHIP. SANTEE RECEIVED DID NOT RECEIVE ANY INTEREST INCOME FROM EXCHANGE AND ALL ACCOUNTS WERE NON-INTEREST BEARING. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT ON DEPOSIT DURING THE YEAR WAS \$7,027,593 AND THE AVERAGE MONTHLY BALANCE WAS \$4,492,795. SANTEE OFFICER FLOYD L. KEELS DOES NOT PARTICIPATE IN ANY DECISIONS MADE BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES THAT RELATE TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.

PATRONAGE DIVIDENDS PAID

PART 1, LINE 14 - BENEFITS PAID TO MEMBERS: THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR 2012 FORM 990 CLARIFY THAT BENEFITS PAID TO MEMBERS SHOULD INCLUDE THE AMOUNT OF PATRONAGE DIVIDENDS PAID TO THE MEMBERS (ALSO REFERRED TO AS PATRONS) OF 501(C)(12) ORGANIZATIONS.

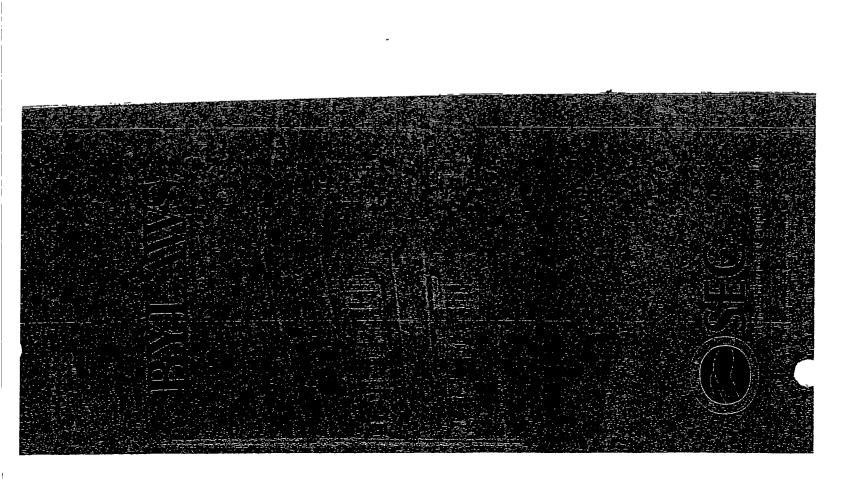
FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 4 - BENEFITS PAID TO MEMBERS

THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE 2011 FORM 990 CLARIFIES THAT THE AMOUNT OF PATRONAGE DIVIDENDS PAID TO MEMBERS (ALSO REFERRED TO AS PATRONS) SHOULD BE REPORTED ON PART IX, LINE 4 AS BENEFITS PAID TO OR FOR MEMBERS. PATRONAGE DIVIDENDS PAID IS THE PROCESS BY WHICH THE COOPERATIVE ALLOCATES PATRONAGE CAPITAL TO ITS MEMBERS ON A COOPERATIVE BASIS. AS SUCH, THE COOPERATIVE OPERATES ON A NONPROFIT BASIS.

THE COOPERATIVE'S TAX EXEMPT PURPOSE IS TO PROVIDE THE BEST POSSIBLE ELECTRIC SERVICE TO ALL WHO DESIRE IT WITHIN THE SYSTEM AREA AT A REASONABLE COST CONSISTENT WITH THE HIGHEST STANDARDS OF SERVICE AND TO DO SO ON A COOPERATIVE BASIS. OPERATING ON A COOPERATIVE BASIS IS DEFINED AS SUBORDINATION OF CAPITAL, DEMOCRATIC CONTROL AND OPERATING AT COST. THE COOPERATIVE OPERATES AT COST THROUGH THE PAYMENT OF PATRONAGE DIVIDENDS (ALSO REFERRED TO AS ALLOCATIONS OF PATRONAGE CAPITAL) TO ITS PATRONS.

THE AMOUNT REPORTED ON PART IX, LINE 4 REPRESENTS THE AMOUNT OF PATRONAGE CAPITAL THAT HAS BEEN ALLOCATED OR TO BE ALLOCATED TO THE PATRONS RESULTING FROM THEIR PURCHASE OF ELECTRICITY FROM THE COOPERATIVE FOR THE 2012 CALENDAR YEAR. SUCH AMOUNTS ARE ALLOCATED SUBSEQUENT TO YEAR-END IN A FAIR AND EQUITABLE MANNER ON THE BASIS OF PATRONAGE. THE AMOUNTS ALLOCATED TO THE PATRONS ARE DONE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COOPERATIVE'S BYLAWS. A COPY OF THE COOPERATIVE'S BYLAWS HAS BEEN INCLUDED AS A PART OF THIS RETURN.

FORM 990 REQUIRES 501(C)(12) ORGANIZATIONS TO REPORT THE AMOUNT OF PATRONAGE DIVIDENDS PAID TO ITS MEMBERS, PATRONS, AS AN EXPENSE. U.S. GAAP DOES NOT RECOGNIZE THIS AMOUNT AS AN EXPENSE, BUT RATHER A COMPONENT OF EQUITY.



Santee Electric Cooperative, Inc. Bylaws As Amended Through April 16, 2009: "Delete existing Article VII, Section 3 in its entirety and replace with the following":

Section 3. Unclaimed Property.

In compliance with the South Carolina Uniform Unclaimed Property Act, (Title 27, Chapter 18 of South Carolina Code of Laws), unclaimed property will be submitted to the State Treasurer of South Carolina, and notice of unclaimed property will be administered in the manner prescribed by South Carolina law. The cooperative may regularly impose a reasonable dormancy fee for each year an owner fails to claim property held by the cooperative.

BYLAWS
of
SANTEE ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE, INC.

As Amended Through April 18,2006

Article 1

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Membership	Article III Meetings of Members	Trustees Article V	Article VI Officers	Article VII Non-Profit Operation	Disposition of Property	Article X Financial Transactions	Article XI Miscellaneous

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Section 1. Membership Requirements.

(a) Any person, firm, association, corporation or hody politic or subdivision thereof may, except as hereinafter provided in sub section (b), become a member of the Cooperative by:

- filing a written application for membership therein, agreeing to purchase from the Cooperative electric \equiv 3
 - energy as hereinafter specified;
- and any rules and regulations adopted by the Board of agreeing to comply with and be bound by the articles of incorporation and by-laws of the Cooperative frustees; and Ē
- (4) paying the membuship fee hereinafter specified; (b) All consumers having contracts with the State Rural
- assumed by the Cooperative up to and including September 16, 1940, under the Williams Act, may become members of the Electrification Authority of South Carolina, which have been Cooperative by:
 - (1) filing a written application for membership therein;
 - agreeing to purchase from the Cooperative electric energy as hereinafter specified;
- Board of Tiustees; provided, however, that no membership fee shall be required of such members, and they shall be subject to the same liabilities and enjoy the agreeing to comply with and be bound by the aitiative and any rules and regulations adopted by the cles of incorporation and by-laws of the Coopersame rights and privileges as all other members. $\widehat{\mathbb{C}}$

member may hold more than one membership in the unt!! he or it has been accepted for membership by the Board of Cooperative. No person, firm, association, corporation, or body politic or subdivision thereof shall become a member unless and frustees or the members, and no membership shall be transferable. £

ration of a period of six months from the date of Incorporation of At each meeting of the members held subsequent to the explthe Cooperative, all applications received more than ninety days prior to such meeting and which have not been accepted or mitted by the Secretary to such meeting and, subject to compliance applications or unyone or more of them may be accepted by vote of the members. The Secretary shall give each such applicant at which have been rejected by the Board of Trustees shall be subhy the applicant with tho requirements herein above set forth, such least ten days notice of the date of the members' meeting to which nis application will be submitted and such applicant shall be entiled to be present and heard at the meeting.

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Section 2. Membership Certificate,

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Amendments

Membership in the Cooperative shall be evidenced by a men-bership cettificate which shall be in such form and shall contain fee fixed in thuse by-laws, not until such membership fee has been fully paid for in cash except as herein before provided. In case of a lost, destroyed or mutliated certificate, a new certificate may be such provisions as shall be determined by the Board of Trustees. No membership cortificate shall be issued for less than the membership issued therefore upon such uniform terms and indemnity to the Cooperative as the Board of Trustees may prescribe.

An application for membership by a married person living with his or her spouse at the time of such application shalf be deemed and application for joint membership by both husband

wife holding a joint membership and any provisions relating to the respect to the holders of a joint membership. Without limiting the membership will automatically terminate at the point of service in will automatically become the member. The term "Member" as used in these by-laws shall be deemed to include a husband and rights and Habilities of membership shall apply equally with generality of the foregoing, the effect of the hereinafter specified actions by or in respect to the holders of a joint membership shall Section 1 of the Article, the application will be accepted as and for a joint membership. In the event that the holders of a joint membership cease to reside together in the same household, the joint question, irrespective of whether or not such point of service is at the marital home and the individual residing at the point of service se as follows:

- (a) The presence at a meeting of either or both shall be
- (b) The vote of either separately or both Jointly shall constiregarded as the presence of one member and of constituting a joint waiver of notice of the meeting;
 - (c) A waiver of notice signed by either or both shall constitute one joint vote;
 - tute a joint waiver;
 - (d) Notice to either shall constitute a notice to both;
- Expulsion of either shall terminate the joint mornbership; Withdrawal of either shall terminate the joint member-
- officer or trustee, provided that both meet the qualifica-Either but not hoth may be elected or appointed as an
- joint membership, such membership shall be held sololy changed membership status, provided, however, that the by the survivor. The outstanding membership certificate (h) Upon the death of either spouse who is a party to the shall be reissued in such manner as shall indicate the estate of the deceased shall not be released from any debts due the Cooperative. tions for such office,

Section 3. Membership, Service Connection Fees and Consumer's Deposit.

the payment of which a member shall be eligible for service conunder the provisions of Article I, Section 1 (b), shall be antitled to The membership fee shall be five dollars, connection fees and nection, provided, however that members admitted to membership consumer's deposits may vary as set by the Board of Trustees, upon one service connection without the payment of a fee.

Provided that the membership fee of any member who is in continued for non-payment thereof, shall be transferred from the membership fee and deposit account and applied to the payment of said unpaid bills, and any balance remaining shall be refunded to thereto, pending such refund. If any, the same shall be credited to arrears with his electric enorgy bill and whose service had been dissuch member upon being oxpelled from the membership under provisions of Article 1, Section 5, of the by-laws or any amendment a special account for such purposes.

Section 4. Purchase of Electric Energy.

purchase from the Cooperative all electric onergy used on the therefore monthly at rates which shall from time to time be fixed by the Board of Trustees. It is expressly understood that amounts paid Each member shall, as soon as electric energy shall be available, premises specified in his application for membership, and shall pay for electric energy in excoss of the cost of service are furnished by

also pay all amounts owed by him to the Cooperative as and when regardless of the amount of electric energy consumed, as shall be fixed by the Board of Trustees from time to time. Each member shall the same shall become due and payable.

Section 5. Termination of Membership

expelled member may be reinstated by vote of the Board of rustees may prescribe. The Board of Jiustees of the Cooperative may, by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of all the trustees, expel any member who shall have refused or falled to comply with any of the provisions of the articles of incorporation, by-laws or rules or regulations adopted by the Board of Trustees, but only if such member shall have been given written notice by the Secretary of the Cooperative that such refusal or failure makes him liable to expulsion and such refusal or fallure shall have continued for at least ten days after such notice was given. Any flustees or by vote of the membors at any annual or special meelance with such uniform terms and conditions as the Board of Any member may withdraw from membership upon compil-

minate, and the membership certificate of such member shall be Upon the withdrawal, death, cessation of existence or expulsion of a muniber the meinbership of such member shall thereupon tersurrendered forthwith to the Cooperative. Termination of member ship in any manner shall not release a member or his estate from any debts due the Cooperative.

Responsibility for Meter Tampering or Rypassing and for Damage to Section 6. Witing of Premiscs; Responsibility Thereof; Cooperative Proporties.

lon of or causing damage to such facilities, and shall use his best member, or by any other person when the member's reasonable Imited to the Cooperative's cost of repairing, replacing or relocat-Each member shall cause all premises receiving electric service pursuant to his membership to become and to remain wired in accordance with the specifications of the National Electrical Code and of the Cooperative. Each member shall be responsible for and shall indemnify the Cooperative and any other person against improper use or maintenance of - such premises and all wiring and apparatus connected thereto or used thereon Each member shall make available to the Cooperative a suitable site, as determined by the Cooperative, whereon to place the Cooperative's physical acilities for the furnishing and metering of electric service and shall permit the Cooperative's authorized employees, agents, and independent contractors to have access thereto for inspection, maintenance, replacement, relocation or repair thereof at all reasonable times. As part of the consideration for such service, each moniber shall be the Cooperative's bailee of such facilities and shall accordingly desist from interfering with, impairing the operaefforts to prevent athers from so doing. In the event such facilities are interfered with, impaired in their operation or damaged by the care and surveillance would have prevented such, the member shall indemnify the Cooperative and any other person against death, injury, loss or damage resulting therefrom, including but not ng any such facilities and its loss, if any, of revenues resulting from and any applicable state code or local government ordinances, death, injury, loss or dannage resulting from any defect in or the failure or defective functioning of its metering equipment. In no event shall the responsibility of the Cooperative extend beyond

charges for service that may result from a malfunctioning of its that the Cooperative shall, in accordance with its appin מטור זיטי י in appin about solver rules and regulations, reimbinise the member for any uveimetering equipment Section 7. Member to Grant Easements to Cooperative if Recuired

ments of light-of-way over, under and on such lands owned or eased by the member and in accordance with such reasonable struction, operation, maintenance or relocation of the Each member shall, upon being requested to do so by the Cooperative, execute and deliver to the Cooperative grants of casenishing of electric service to him or other members, or for the conterms and conditions, as the Coopprative shall require for the fui Cooperative's electric facilities.

RIGHTS AND LIABILITIES OF MEMBERS

Upon dissolution, after

Section 1. Property Interest of Members

(a) all debts and liabilities of the Cooperative shall have been

seven years next preceding the date of the filing of the certificate of dissolution, or if the Cooperative shall not have been in existence assets of the Cooperative shall be distributed among the members ige of each bears to the total patronage of all members during the (b) all capital furnished through patronage shall have been retired as provided in these by-laws, the remaining property and and former members in the proportion which the aggregate patronfor such period, during the period of its existence.

Section 2. Non-Liability for Debts of the Cooperative.

cutton or other llability for the debts of the Cooperative and no member shall be individually liable or responsible for any debts or The private property of the mombers shall be exempt from exelabilities of the Cooperative.

MEETINGS OF MEMBERS Article III

Section 1. Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of members shall be held on such day in each year, beginning with the year 1952, and at such place in and determined by the Board of Trustees, and as shall be designatsuch other business as may come hefore the meeting. Failure to Kingstree in Williamsburg County, South Carolina as shall be fixed ed in the notice of the meeting for the purpose of electing trustees, passing upon reports for the previous fiscal year and transacting hold the annual meeting at the designated time shall not work a orfeiture and dissolution of the Cooperative.

Section 2. Special Meetings.

Special meetings of the members may be called by resolution of the Board of Trustees or upon a written request signed ly any throe

special meetings of the members may be held at any place within the County of Williamshurg, State of South Carolina, specified in he notice of the special meeting.

Section 3. Notice of Members' Meeling.

be transacted, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is Witten or printed notice stating the place, day and hour of the neeting and, in case of a special meeting or an annual meeting at which business other than that listed in Section 6 of this article is to called, shall be delivered not less than ten days nor more than twenty-five days before the date of the meeting, either personally or by mall, by or at the direction of the Secretary, or upon a default in duty by the Secretary, by the persons calling the meeting, to each member. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail, addressed to the member at his address as it appears on the records of the Cooperative, with postage thereon prepaid. The fallure of any member to receive notice of an annual or special meeting of the members shall not invalidate any action which may be taken by he members at such moeting.

Section 4. Quorum.

As long as the total number of members does not exceed five hundred, ten per centum of the total number of members present in person shall constitute a quorum. In case the total number of mempers shall exceed five hundred, fifty members or five percentum of the members, which ever shall be the larger, shall constitute a quoum, If less than a quorum is present at any meeting, a majority of hose present in person may adjourn the mecting from tlme to time without further notice, provided that the Secretary shall notify any ubsent members of the time and place of such adjourned meeting

Section 5. Voling. Lach member shall be cnitiled to only one vote. All questions shall be decided by a vote of a majority of the members voting hereon in person, except as otherwise provided by law, the articles of incorporation or these by laws. No voting by mail or proxy shalf oc permitled.

Section 6. Order of Business.

The order of business at the annual meetings of the members and, so far as possible, at all other meetings of the members, shall be essentially as follows:

- 1 Registration and casting of ballots for nominees by petition or nominating committee for election of trustees.
 - Report as to the number of members present in order to determine the existence of a quorum.
- Reading of the notice of the meeting and proof of the due publication or malling thereof, or the walver or waivers of notice of the meeting, as the case may bo.
- 4. Reading of unapproved minutes of previous meetings of the members and the taking of necessary action thereon.
 - 5. Presentation and consideration of reports of officers, trustees, and committees,
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Section 1. General Powers

a board of nine trustees which shall exercise all of the powers of the Cooperative except such as are by law, the articles of Incorporation or these by-laws conferred upon or reserved to the The business and affairs of the Cooperative shall be managed by members.

Section 2. Qualifications and fonure.

annual meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, the Board of Frustees shall cause the election to be held at a special moeting of shall have been elected and duly qualified. If the election of trustees shall not be held on the day designated herein for the meeting of members. At each annual meeting after such classification a number of trustees equal to the number in the group whose term expires at the time of such meeting shall be elected to hold office for a term of three years and until their respective successors The persons named as trustees in the articles of incorporation or until their successors shall have been elected and shall have qualified. Beginning with the Annual Meeting held on the first Monday in December, 1949, the trustees shall be divided into three groups of three members each, with the term of office of the trusleds of the first group to expire at the succeeding annual meeting of the mambers, the term of office of the trustees of the second group to expire at the second succeeding annual meeting and the term of office of the third group to expire at the third succeeding annual shall compose the Board of Trustees until the first annual meeting the members as soon thereafter as conveniently may be.

gered terms so that trustees for districts who have not stood for a Provided that If an annual meeting at which a trusted is to be elected is not held as a result of failure of attendance of menibers meeting immediately preceding shall be elected for terms of two meeting is not held as a result of failure of attendance of members ing is adjourned until the next annual mecting, trustees for the districts whose terms would have explied at the adjourned annual years so as to preserve the integrity of the staggered terms hereinbefore provided for. Provided further that in the event the adjourned meeting is adjourned until the date for the next annual mecting, the sufficient to constitute a quorum, or for any reason, and such meetsufficient to constitute a quorum, or for any other reason, and such same formula shall apply so as to preserve the integrity of the stagterm of two years shall be elected for terms of one year.

To be eligible to become or remain a trustee, a person must:

 (a) be a natural person who is a member, in good standing for at least 5 years, and living and receiving service in the particular district in which he/she is to represent. A member is not in good standing when that member has had services from the Cooperative or any subsidiary cut off or terminated for nonpayment within the past twelve (12) months;

(b) not be employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise, or a business selling electric energy, gas, supplies or services to the Cooperative;

(c) have the legal capacity to enter into a binding contract; (d) not be employed nor have been employed by the

(e) any member of the Board of Trustees who misses three Cooperative (at any time) during the preceding 7 years;

a member of the Roard. A leave of absence may be requested from the Board by any member in advance of a given meeting. Approval shall be by majority vote of the trustees present and voting.

rrustee from office. Such removal shall be accomplished only upon a vote of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the trustees present at the Upon establishment of the fact that a trustee is holding office in violation of any of the foregoing provisions, it shall immediately become incumbent upon the Board of Trustees to remove such meeting or held for the purpose of such removal.

Nothing contained in this section shall affect in any manner whatsoever the validity of any action taken at any meeting of the Roard of Trustees.

Section 3. Nonlinations.

made by the committee is posted. The Secretary shall mail with the notice of the meeting or separately, but at loast seven days before the date of the meeting, a list of the number of trustees, shown by nations made by petition, if any. The names are to be arranged by Districts and in alphabetical order, except that incumbents shall be placed first on the list so arranged. At the meeting of members, the secretary of the Cooperative shall place in nomination the names by the Nominating Committee and by Petition. The names shall be arranged by Districts and in alphabetical order, except that the member of the Cooperative present at the meeting shall be entitled to vote for one candidate for each district, for which a trustee is to lighest number of votes for each district at this meeting shall be han ninety days or more than one hundred and iwenty days. in like manner and filing the same with the Cooperative, not less such nominations at the same place where the list of nominations district, to be elected and the names and addresses of the candidates nominated for each district, specifying separately the nomiof the official candidates for each district. Election of trustees shall se by printed ballots. The ballots shall list the candidates selected so elected at that particular meeting. The candidate receiving the epresentation. No momber of the Board of Trustees may serve on nominations in writing over their signatures, listing their nominee(s) than sixty days prior to the meeting and the Secretary shall post in umbonts shall be placed flist in order on such ballot. Each It shall be the duty of the Board of Trustees to appoint, not less before the date of a meeting of the membors at which trustees are to be elected, a committee on nominations consisting of not less from different sections of the project area so as to insure equitable hers of the Cooperative, acting together, may make additional than five nor more than eleven members who shall be selected such committee. The committee shall prepare and post at the prin ripal office of the Couperalive at least sixty days hefore the meeting a list of nominations for trustees, but 5% or more of the memconsidered elected as trustee.

Section 4. Removal of Trustee by Members.

Any member may bring charges against a trustee by filing such charges in writing with the Secretary, together with a petition signed by the lesser of 5% of the members or 2000 members and request the removal of such trustee by reason thereof. The trustee against whom such charges have been brought shall be informed

Section 3. Removal of Trustees by Mempers. Any member may bring charges against a rustee by filing such charges in writing with the Secretary, together with a petition signed by at east ten per centum of the members and rejuest the removal of such trustee by reason hereof. The trustee against whom such charges have been brought shall be informed in writing of he charges at least five days prior to the meetng at which the charges are to be considered ind shall have an opportunity at the meeting to e heard in person or by counsel and to present vidence in respect of the charges, and the erson or persons bringing the charges against in shall have the same opportunity. The gueson of the removal of such trustee shall be omsidered and voted upon at the next regular or becial meeting of the members and any vaamcy created by such removal may be filled by bte of the members at such meeting without impliance with the foregoing provisions with spect to nominations, except that the new listee must reside in the same district as the

Section 4. Vacancies. Subject to the proions of these bylaws with respect to the filling
vacancies caused by the removal of trustees
the members, a vacancy occurring in the
ard of trustees shall be filled by the affirmative
te of a majority of the remaining trustees for
funexpired portion of the term of the trustee
despect of whom the vacancy occurs. The
mber elected as trustee to fill the vacancy
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Section 5. Compensation. For their series as such, trustees shall receive such comsation, which may include travel, expenses, other benefits, as is provided by resolution e board of trustees; provided however, such pensation shall only be paid for actual attance upon activities authorized by the board, istee, except in emergencies, shall not be loyed by the cooperative in any other caty involving compensation.

ARTICLE V

Meetings of Trustees

Section 1. Regular Meetings. A regular meeting of the board of trustees shall be held without notice other than this bytaw, immediately after, and at the same place as, the annual meeting of the members. A regular meeting of the board of trustees shall also be held monthly at such time and place in Pickens, Oconee, Greenville, or Anderson County, South Carolina, as the board of trustees may provide by resolution fixing the time and place thereof.

meetings of the board of trustees may be called by the President, also known as Chairman, or by any three trustees, and it shall thereupon be the duty of the Secretary to cause notice of such meeting to be given as hereinafter provided. The President, also known as Chairman, or the trustees calling the meeting shall fix the time and place (which shall be in the territory served by this Cooperative in South Carolina), for the holding of the meeting.

Section 3. Notice of Trustees' Meetings. Written notice of the time, place and purpose of any special meeting of the board of trustees shall be delivered not less than five days previous thereto, either personally or by mail, by or at the direction of the Secretary, or upon a default in duty by the Secretary, by the President, also known as Chairman, or the trustees calling the meeting, to each trustee. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail addressed to the trustee at his address as it appears on the records of the Cooperative, with postage thereon prepaid

Section 4. Quorum. A majority of the board of trustees shall constitute a quorum, provided, that if less than such majority of the trustees is present at said meeting, a majority of the trustees present may adjourn the meeting from time to time; and provided further, that the Secretary shall notify any absent trustees of the time and place of such adjourned meeting. The

said meeting, a majority of the trustees present may adjoun the meeting from time to time; and provided further, that the Secretary shall notify any absent trustees of the time and placa of such adjourned meeting. The act of the majority of the trustees prosent at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the provided, that if less than such majority of the trustees is present at Board of Trustees

Article VI OFFICERS

Section 1. Number

of Trustees, Secretary, Treasurer, and such other officers as may be determined by the Board of Trustees from time to time. The office President, who also may be known as Vice Chairman of the Board The officers of the Cooperative shall be a President, who also be known as Chaliman of the Board of Trustees, Viceof Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person. may

Section 2. Election and Term of Office.

directly after the annual meeting of the members. If the election of ing the next succeeding annual mecting of members or until his successor shall have been elected and shall have qualified. A vacancy in any office shall be filled by the Board of Trustees for the The officers shall be elected by ballot, annually by and from the Board of Trustees at the meeting of the Board of Trustees held officers shall not be held at such meeting, such election shall be held as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. Each officer shall hold office until the first meeting of the Board of Trustecs followunexpired portion of the term

Section 3. Removal of Officers and Agents by Trustees.

by. In addition, any member of the Cooperative may bring charges against an officer by filling such charges in writing with the brought shall be informed in writing of the charges at least five and shall have an opportunity at the meeting to be heard in person Any officers or agent elected or appointed by the Board of Trustees may be removed by the Board of Trustees whenever in Its udgment the best interests of the Cooperative will be served there-Secretary, together with a petition signed by ten per centum of the members, and request the removal of the particular officer by renson thereof. The officer against whom such charges have been days prior to the meeting at which the charges are to be considered or by counsel and to present evidence in respect of the charges; have the same opportunity. The question of the removal of such officer shall be considered and voted upon at the next regular or and the person or persons bringing the charges against him shall special meeting of the members.

Section 4. President

The President shall:

unless otherwise determined by the members or the Board of Fustees, shall preside at all meetings of the members and the Board (a) be the principal executive officer of the Couperative and of Trustees;

(b) sign any deeds, mortgages, deeds of trust, notes, bonds, contracts or other instruments authorized by the Board of Trustacs to

(c) In general perform all duties incident to the office of l'resident and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Trustees shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed; and from time to time,

(d) The term signed, as herein used, shall be deemed to permit the use of official signature stamps.

Section 5. Vice-President.

President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and he In the absence of the President, or in the event of his inability or iefusal to act, the Vice-President shall perform the duties of the subject to all the restrictions upon the President. The Vice-President shall also perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Board of Trustees.

Section 6. Secretary.

The Secretary shall be responsible for:

(a) keeping the minutes of the meetings of the members and of the Board of Trustees in one or more books provided for that pur(b) seeing that all notices are duly given in accordance with these by-laws or as required by law;

its seal is duly authorized in accordance with the provisions of tificates of membership prior to the issue thereof and to all docu-(c) the safe keeping of the corporate records and of the seal of ments, the execution of which on behalf of the Couperalive under the Cooperative and affix the seal of the Cooperative to all certhese by-laws;

(d) keeping a register of the names and post office addresses of all members;

(e) having general charge of the books of the Cooperative in which a record of the members is kept;

(f) keeping on file at all times a complete copy of the articles of incorporation and by-laws of the Cooperative containing all amendments thereto, which copy shall always be open to the inspection of any maniber, and at the expense of the Cooperative, forward a copy of the by-laws and of all amendments thereto to each member; and

(g) in general performing all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may assigned to him by the Board of Trustees

(h) the term signed, as herein used, shall be deemed to permit the use of official signature stamps

Section 7. Treasmer.

The Ireasurer shall be responsible for:

(a) having charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the Cooperative;

nayable to the Cooperative from any source whatsoever, and for the (b) the receipt of and the issuance of receipts for moneys due and deposit of all such moneys in the name of the Cooperative in such hank or banks as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws; and

(c) in general performing all the duties incident to the office of reasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Board of Trustees.

Section 8. Prosident and Chief Executive Officer.

Executive Officer who may be, but who shall not be required to the Board of Trustecs may appoint President and Chief he, a member of the Cooperative. The President and Chief

Section 9. Board of Officers.

The Treasurer and other officers or agents of the Cooperative charged with responsibility for the custody of any of its funds or property shall give bond in such sum and with such surety as the Board of Trustees shall determine The Roard of Trustees in its discretion may also require any other officer, agent or employee of the Cooperative to give bond in such amount and with such surety as it shall determine

Section 10. Compensation.

The powers, duties and compensation of any officers, agents and employees shall be fixed by the Roard of Trustees, subject to the provisions of these by-laws with respect to compensation of trustees and close relatives of trustees

Section 11. Reports.

The officers of the Cooperative shall submit at each enrinal meeting of the members reports covering the business of the Cooperative for the previous fiscal year. Such reports shall set forth the condition of the Cooperative at the close of such fiscal year.

Article VII NON-PROFIT OPERATION

Section 1. Interest or Dividends on Capital Prohibited.

The Cooperative shall at all times be operated on a cooperative non-profit basis for the mutual benefit of its patrons. No Interest or dividends shall be paid or payable by the Cooperative on any capital furnished by its patrons.

Section 2. Patronage Capital in Connection with Furnishing Electric Energy.

shall be so conducted that all patrons, members and nonmembers Cooperative will operate on a non-profit basis, the Cooperative is able from the furnishing of electric energy in excess of operating the furnishing of electric energy and the operation of all business the understanding that they are furnished by the patrons, mombers and non-members alike, as capital. The Cooperative is obligated to books and records of the Cooperative shall be set up and kept in and the Cooperative shall within a reasonable time after the close In the furnishing of electric energy, the Cooperative's operations alike, will through their patronage furnish capital for the obligated to account on a pationage basis to all of Its patrons, memaffairs of the Cooperative. All such amounts in excess of operating costs and all other expenses of the Cooperative are received with pay by credits to a capital account for each patron all such amounts in excess of operating costs and all other expenses. The ited in an appropriate record to the capital account of each patron of the fiscal year notify each patron of the amount of capital so been paid to the patron in cash in pursuance of a legal obligation Cooperative, In order to induce patronage and to assure that the bers and non-members alike, for all amounts received and receivcosts and all other expenses incurred in, and chargeable against, ital, if any, so furnished by each patron is clearly reflected and crodaccount of any pation shall have the same status as though they had such a manner that at the end of each fiscal year the amount of cap credited to his account. All such amounts credited to the capita

from, and shall provide for the method of calculating such capital credits and shall make such other rules and regulations concerning capital credits as may from tine to time seem to be in the best interest of the Cooperative.

All other amounts, received by the Cooperative from its operations in excess of costs and expenses shall, insofar as permitted by law, be (a) used to offset any losses incurred during the current or any prior fiscal year and (b) to the extent not needed for that purpose, allocated to its patrons on a patronage basis and any amount so allocated shall be included as part of the capital credited to the accounts of patrons, as herein provided.

After April 7, 1998, the Board of frustees shall determine the of the total assets of the Cooperative. In no event, however, may any such capital be retired unless after the proposed retirement, the capital of the Cooperative shall be in the discrution of the Board of In the event of dissolution or liquidation of the Cooperative, after all outstanding indebtedness of the Cooperative shall have been method, hasis, priority, and order of retirement, if any, for all capital be retired unless, after the proposed retirement, the capital of the Cooperative shall equal at least twenty five per centum (25%) Irustees, sufficient to meet the apticipated needs of the Cooperative pald, outstanding capital credits shall be retired without priority on erty rights to members. If, at any time pnor to dissolution or liquidation, the Board of Trustees shall determine that the financial conthen credited to patrons' accounts may be retired in full or in part. aniounts furnished as capital. In no event, however, may any such a pro rata basis before any payments are made on necount of prop dition of the Cooperative will not be impaired thereby, the capital and not impair its operation.

Capital credited to the account of each patron shall be assignable only on the books of the Cooperative pursuant to written instruction from the assignor and only to successors in interest or successors in occupancy in all or a part of such patron's premises served by the Cooperative unless the Board of Trustees, acting under policies of general application, shall determine otherwise.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these by-laws, the Board retired prior to the time such capital would otherwise be retired of Trustees, at its discretion, shall have the power at any time upon the death of any patron, if the legal representative of his ustate shall equest in writing that the capital credited to any such patron be under the provisions of these by-laws, to retire capital credited to any such patron immediately upon such terms and conditions as the Roard of Trustees, acting under the policies of general application, and the legal representatives of such pation's estate shall agree upon, provided, however, that the financial condition of Cooperative will not be impaired thereby, provided however, that if the legal representative of the estate of the deceased patron fails to make a written request of the Cooperative, and file same with its patron, for payment of such capital credited to such patron, then such capital credited to such patron shall be deemed a gift of such Secretary, within a period of 6 years from the date of death of such pation to the Cooperative, and shall be so recorded upon the books of the Cooperative.

The patrons of the Cooperative, by dealing with the Cooperative, acknowledge that the terms and provisions of the articles of incorporation and by laws shall constitute and be a contract between the Cooperative and each patron, and both the Cooperative and the patron are bound by such contract, as fully as though each patron had individually signed a separate instrument containing such

Section 3. Unclaimed Patronage Capital and Unclaimed Membership Fees:

A, Unclaimed Patronage Capital. When a payment of patronage capital is declared, and is unclaimed after six (6) years, and the owner or his legal representative cannot be found after diligent search, including letters and telephone inquiry, it shall be assumed that such unclaimed amount is added donated capital after which the following shall be done:

- A list of names and last known addresses of such owners shall be posted for thirty (30) days after the closing of books each year at the main office and also at each other office of the cooperative, if established.
 - (b) At the explication of such time with no claims the membership agree that such entire amount shall be used by the cooperative in the local community for the purposes of education projects approved by local school boards, economic development projects approved for financial assistance by state or local government agencies and community service projects approved by the state or local government agencies and community service projects approved by the
- B. Unclaimed Membership Fees. When member fails to collect his membership fee, less debts or obligations owing from the member to the cooperative, upon withdrawal or termination of membership and such amount is unclaimed after over six (6) years, and the owner or his legal representative cannot be found after diligent search, including letters and tolephone inquiry, it shall be assumed that such unclaimed amount is added donated capital after which the following shall be done:
 - (a) A list of names and last known addresses of such owners shall be posted for thirty (30) days after the closing of the books each year at the main office and also at each other office of the cooperative, if established.
- (b) At the expiration of such time with no claims the members agree that such chilie amount shall be credited to the general patronage fund for the current year and thus inure to benefit of all members; in furtherance of the cooperative principle that pationage funds are donated capital and the entire operation is non-profit.

Article VIII DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY

Section 1. Sale, Lease or Exchange of Property.

(a) A sale (which term shall include a sale, lease, exchange or any other disposition of assets, except a mortgage of or other security interest in the assets) of all, or substantially all, the proporty and assets, with or without the good will, or a cooperative may be made upon such terms and condition and for such consideration, which may consist in whole or in part of money or property, real or personal, including shares of any other corporation, domestic or foreign, as shall be authorized in the following manner.

- (1) The Board of Irustees shall adopt a resolution recommending such sale, and directing the submission thereof to a vote at a meeting of members, which may be cliner an annual or a special meeting.
 - (2) Written or printed notice shall be given to each member of record entitled to vote at such meeting within the time and in the manner provided for the giving of notice of meetings

(3) At such meeting the members may authorize such sale, and may fix, or may authorize the Board of Tustees to fix, any or all of the terms and conditions thereof and the consideration to be received by the Cooperative therefor, kach member of the Cooperative shall be entitled to vote therefor. Such authorization shall require the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of all the members of the Cooperative.

(b) After such authorization by a vote of the members, the Board of Trustees nevertheless, in its discretion, may abandon such sale of assets, subject to the rights of third parties under any contracts relating thereto, without further action or approval by members.

Section 2, Montgago of Property.

To secure any indebtedness of the Cooperative, the Board of Trustees may, without authorization from its members, mortgage or pledge all or part of the assets of the Cooperative, whether or not in the usual and regular course of its business, to the United States of America or any agency thereof or any other lending agency or institution upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Trustees may determine.

Article IX

The corporate seal of the Cooperative shall be in the form of a circle and shall have inscribed thereon the name of the Cooperative and the words "Corporate Seal, South Carolina."

Article X FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

Section 1. Contracts.

Except as otherwise provided in these by-laws, the Board of Trustees may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name and on behalf of the Cooperative, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

Section 2. Check, Drafts, Etc.

All checks, diafts or other orders for the payment of money, and all notes, bonds or other evidences of indebtedness Issued in the name of the Cooperative shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents, employee or employees, of the Cooperative and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Trustees.

Section 3. Deposits.

All funds of the Cooperative shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Cooperative in such bank or banks as the Board of Trustees may solect.

Section 4. Change in Rates.

Written notice shall be given to the Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service of the United States of America of any changes in the rates charged by the Cooperative for electric energy.

July of each year and end on the thirtleth day of June of the following year, of on such dates as determined by the Board of Trustees.

Article XI

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 1. Membership in Other Organizations.

The Cooperative shall not become a member of any other organization without an affirmative vote of the members at a meeting called as provided in these by-laws, and the notice of said meeting shall specify that action is to be taken upon such proposed membership as an item of business; provided, however, that the trustees shall have full power and authority on behalf of the Cooperative to purchase stock in or to become a member of, any corporation or cooperative organized on a non-profit basis for the purpose of engaging in rural electrification.

Section 2. Waiver of Notice.

Any member or trustee may waive in willing, any notice of a meeting required to be given these by-laws. The attendance of a member or trustee at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of mylice of such meeting by such member or trustee, except in case a member or trustee shall attend a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting shall not have been lawfully called or convened.

Section 3. Rules and Regulations.

The Board of Trustees shall have power to make and adopt such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with law, the articles of incorporation of these by-laws, as it may deem advisable for the management, administration and regulation of the business and affairs of the Cooperative.

Section 4. Accounting System and Reports.

The Board of Trustees shall cause to be established and maintained a complete accounting system which, among other things, subject to applicable laws and rules and regulations of any regulatory body shall conform to such accounting system as may from time to time be designated by the Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service of the United States of America. All accounts of the Cooperative shall be examined by a committee on the Board of Trustees which shall render reports to the Board of Trustees at least four times a year at regular meetings of the Board of Trustees at least four times a year at regular meetings of the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees shall also, after the close of each fiscal year, cause to be made a full and complete audit of the accounts, books and financial condition of the Cooperative as of the end of such fiscal year. A report of such audit shall be submitted to the members at the following annual meeting.

Section 5. Area Coverage.

The board shall make diligent effort to see that electric service is extended to all unserved persons within the Cooperative service area that

- (a) desire such service and
- (b) meet all reasonable requirements established by the Cooperative as a condition of such service.

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STATEMENT OF NONDISCRIMINATION

tee Electric Cooperative, Inc. is the recipient of Federal financial assistance from the Rural Utilities Service, an agency of the U.S. partment of Agriculture, and is subject to the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, Section 504 of the abilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the U.S. Department Agriculture which provide that no person in the United States on the basis of race, color, national origin, age or disability status shall be luded from participation in, admission or access to, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any of this anization's programs or activities.

e person responsible for coordinating this organization's nondiscrimination compliance efforts is Floyd L. Keels, President & Chief Executive icer. Any individual, or specific class of individuals, who feels that this organization has subjected them to discrimination may obtain further ormation about the statutes and regulations listed above from and/or file a written complaint with this organization; or the Administrator, Utilities Service, Stop 1510, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-1510; or the Director, Office of Civil Rights, 326-W, Whitten Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410; or call (202)720-5964 (voice or TDD).

aints must be filed within 180 days after the alleged discrimination. Confidentiality will be maintained to the extent possible.

BOARD POLICY NO 415

CODE OF ETHICS

I. OBJECTIVE/INTRODUCTION

Since its incorporation in 1939, the trustees of Santee Electric Cooperative have had a consistent history of fair, honest, and ethical conduct for all activities conducted on behalf of the cooperative or in the community. This Code of Ethics is intended to be a constant reminder of that tradition, and a statement of how we will continue to conduct ourselves on a daily basis. It identifies our values and the procedures that will be followed to ensure that these values are upheld. All trustees are expected to know and understand the standards and expectations that are expressed.

II. POLICY CONTENT

The Code of Conduct is not exhaustive. It provides guidance to employees and directors in how they are expected to carry out their duties. Because the Code cannot address every possible situation, employees and directors are expected to use good judgement and to raise questions when in doubt. Trustees are expected to consult with the Chairman of the Board or the Audit Committee of the Board if in doubt about the standards that apply in any situation.

The Board and Management of Santee Electric Cooperative believe that ethical standards are achieved not just through the publication an dissemination of this document, but through open and on-going discussion about ethical issues related to the business and activities of the Cooperative. Further, this open-door climate is only achieved when trustees understand that they can openly raise questions and concerns without fear of retaliation.

III. PROVISIONS

A. Standards of Conduct:

Trustees are expected to uphold the values of the corporation and are required to report any situation where the individual reasonably suspects any activity that may be in violation of the law, board policies on standards of conduct, or this Code. Standards of conduct include:

- 1. Trustees are expected to deal honestly and fairly with consumers, suppliers and others having dealings with the Cooperative.
- 2. Trustees are prohibited from offering bribes, kickbacks or other forms of improper payment, direct or indirect, to any representative of government,

labor union, customer or supplier in order to obtain a contract other commercial benefit or government action.

- 3. Trustees are prohibited from accepting or receiving bribes, kickbacks or improper payment from anyone. They are prohibited from receiving gifts or favors of more than nominal value to or from consumers or suppliers. If in doubt, the party is expected to ask if the proposed gift or favor is of more than "nominal value."
- 4. Trustees are prohibited from taking unfair advantage of consumers, suppliers or other third parties through manipulation, concealment, abuse of privileged information or any other unfair-dealing practice.

B. Conflicts of Interest:

A conflict of interest exists when any trustee is called upon to make or is involved in any decision where the trustee (or any friend or relative of the trustee) has any interest that would be affected by that decision.

- 1. Trustees must not seek any personal benefit through any arrangement with vendors, suppliers or other parties that have a business relationship with the cooperative.
- 2. In any situation where it may reasonably be perceived that there is a conflict of interest, the trustee is required to report that potential conflict of interest to the board chair.
- 3. Trustees may not have a financial interest, such as significant stock ownership, in any entity with which the cooperative does business that might create or give the appearance of a conflict of interest.
- 4. In addition to these general standards on conflicts of interests, trustees shall follow the board policy on dealing with potential conflicts of interest.

C. Confidentiality of Information:

Trustees are frequently entrusted with confidential information. This may include technical or financial information about current or future projects, business plans, personnel information, consumer lists, and other information that, if disclosed, might be of use to competitors or potentially harmful to suppliers, consumers or employees. This information is the property of Santee Electric Cooperative.

1. Trustees shall not discuss confidential information with or in the presence of unauthorized persons, including family members and friends.

- 2. Trustees shall use confidential information only for the company's legitimate business purposes and not for personal gain.
- 3. Trustees shall not disclose confidential information to third parties unless such disclosure is necessary for business purposes or is otherwise required and appropriate safeguards are put in place.
- 4. Trustees shall not use company information or other property or resources for any personal gain or for the gain of anyone else.

D. Member Communications:

Members own the cooperative. In communicating with members, Santee Electric Cooperative is committed that it shall:

- 1. Provide all information to which consumers have a legitimate right.
- 2. Provide information that is accurate and understandable.
- 3. Not make false or misleading statements.

E. Financial Reporting and Recordkeeping:

Santee Electric Cooperative shall:

- 1. Follow generally accepted accounted principles.
- 2. Maintain a system of internal accounting controls that will provide reasonable assurances that all transactions are properly recorded and that material information is available to management when required.
- 3. Maintain books and records that accurately and fairly reflect the company's financial health.
- 4. Maintain a system that ensures company records and documents are properly retained and secured.
- 5. Conduct an annual financial audit to provide an independent, objective review of financial reports, and to identify any risks associated with the system of internal controls.
- 6. Prepare information in a clear and orderly manner and use, to the extent possible, "plain English" in financial reports.

F. Legal and Regulatory Compliance:

Santee Electric Cooperative will comply with all local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations applicable to the activities of the company. It will maintain a safe and healthy work environment free from harassment or discrimination.

G. Reporting of Violations:

Every trustee is responsible for ensuring that violations of laws, rules, regulations or this Code are reported and addressed promptly. Reports of suspected violations may be made in person or in writing, confidentially or anonymously, to the responsible designate person:

For issue involving board members or the President and Chief Executive Officer, written reports should be made to any board member.

All such reports will be promptly investigated and appropriate corrective action will be taken. Any trustee who makes a report in good faith and on reasonable belief may do so without fear of harassment, retaliation or retribution, in accordance with the cooperative's whistleblower policy.

H. Trustee Education:

All trustees will receive a copy of the Code of Ethics and will receive training and periodic communications to ensure familiarity with its contents and requirements. On a periodic basis, all trustees shall be presented with updates on potential ethical challenges and industry trends that may relate to ethical behavior. Annually, every trustee is required to sign a Code of Ethics Acknowledgement and Disclosure Form indicating that he/she has received a copy of the Code of Ethics, read or reread its contents, and understand his/her obligations under the Code.

I. Disclosures:

Every trustee shall review annually whether any current or former officer, trustee or key employee:

- 1. Has a direct business relationship with the Cooperative or an indirect business relationship with the Cooperative requiring disclosure on Schedule L of IRS Form 990;
- 2. Has a family member who had direct or indirect business relationship with the Cooperative requiring disclosure on Schedule L of IRS 990; or
- 3. Serves as an officer, trustee, director, key employee, partner or member of an entity (or shareholder of a professional corporation) doing business with the Cooperative, such that disclosure is required on Schedule L of IRS Form 990.



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Every trustee is responsible for monitoring compliance with the Code by reporting suspected violations in a timely manner (as discussed above) and cooperating with investigations of suspected violations. Trustees that violate any laws, rules, regulations or the Code may face appropriate, case specific disciplinary action, which may include, discharge, or sanction (by the board). Additionally, on a periodic and planned basis, the board or audit committee of the board will receive and discuss studies and analyses of the effectiveness of the Code of Ethics and review and recommend appropriate enhancement as necessary. Moreover, the General Counsel shall advise individual trustees and/or the Board of Trustees regarding compliance with this policy.

EFFECTIVE DATE: <u>04/28/05</u> <u>AMENDED DATE: 12/22/08</u>

Application for Extension of Time To File an **Exempt Organization Return**

Department of the Treasury

OMB No 1545-1709

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