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A LETTER FROM OUR CEO **THOMAS GOLDEN**

Each July, as families and friends enjoy the summer vacation season, we often think about fireworks, food and the outdoor festivities associated with the Fourth of July. It's a special holiday that represents an opportunity to come together to celebrate our shared ideals and the storied history of our nation. It also represents an opportunity to celebrate our perseverance and support for representative democracy.

This same model of governance is at the heart of the cooperative business model and is deeply rooted in our culture at EnergyUnited. The EnergyUnited Way of doing business is to encourage our employees to be safe, to be secure, to be present and to be member-focused with each of our daily actions and interactions. Being member-focused means that we speak up for you when it matters most.

EnergyUnited's member advocacy efforts are spearheaded by the cooperative's legislative team. Recently, the team traveled to Raleigh and Washington, D.C., to meet with members of the North Carolina General Assembly and members of North Carolina's congressional delegation.

During the visits with legislators, our team spoke about key legislative issues involving grid security, energy supply and reliability, opportunities to strengthen equipment supply chains and economic development incentives to promote the industrial use of

sites less than 100 acres in North Carolina. The message we shared with legislators was well received. Energy reliability cannot be taken for granted and attacks on energy infrastructure must be met with the harshest of penalties.

While we spoke with legislators about a wide range of legislative issues, one underlying belief ultimately shapes our position on each issue. Whether we are talking about grid security, reliability, supply chain issues or economic development, we will continue to support policies that strengthen the safety, reliability, affordability, and sustainability of your service – to support policies that are *member-focused*.

Sincerely,

Thomas Golden, CEO



EVERY DAY **EMPOWERED**

We maintain our 99.9% reliability rating by investing in vegetation management, using upgraded technology to inform us of faults as soon as they occur, and proactively replacing or retrofitting older equipment. We've earned your trust, and we intend to keep it.



HAPPY
4TH OF JULY!

Thank you to all veterans for your service, and we wish everyone a healthy, safe and fun July 4th! We will be closed but will still be available for emergency response, and all calls will go to dispatch as normal. Happy Independence Day!



EMPOWERING THE FUTURE **SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS**

This month, our Every Day Empowered series features our 2023 Empowering the Future Scholarship winners, Elleigh Williams of North Iredell High and Yajat Govardhan of Crossroads Arts & Science Early College. Both students were selected to receive a \$5,000 college scholarship following an extensive, independent review by a group of voluntary judges representing EnergyUnited's Member Advisory Committee.

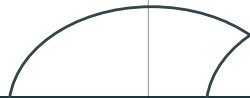


ELLEIGH WILLIAMS



YAJAT GOVARDHAN

EVERY DAY EMPOWERED



Williams will be attending NC State University in the fall to study biology, with the goal of becoming an occupational therapist. She was valedictorian of her class at North Iredell High, a National Honor Society and Beta Club member, and also a finalist for NC State's Park Scholarship. Govardhan will be attending the University of Detroit Mercy this fall and plans to continue on to the School of Dentistry. He hopes one day to open a community dental clinic for low-income individuals and families.

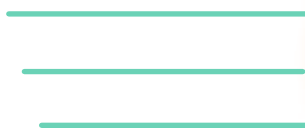
In addition to their academic achievements, Williams and Govardhan have worked extensively to serve their communities. Williams volunteered for Central Connect, a mentorship program for elementary school

kids, where she mentored several students and helped dramatically improve one child's behavior by turning assignments into games. She is also passionate about serving students with special needs, noting her previous experience with the Special Olympics. Govardhan has served as a member of the Beta Club and FBLA. He also volunteered to clean out invasive kudzu with the Mooresville Youth Council and helped organize a bake sale for Fifth Street Ministries, an organization that helps support the unhoused.

Our 2023 Empowering the Future Scholarship winners share EnergyUnited's commitment to keeping our communities Every Day Empowered.

Congratulations to this year's Touchstone Energy Sports Camp Scholarship winners! Mary Bill, a rising seventh grader at The Brawley IB School in Mooresville, will attend the Wolfpack Women's Basketball Camp at NC State. Harris Patterson, a rising seventh grader at Oak Grove Middle School in Winston-Salem, will attend Carolina Basketball Camp at UNC-Chapel Hill.

During the overnight camps, our winners learn from some of the best college coaches and players in the nation. Coaches at both overnight camps will work closely with each camper to develop their basketball skills and leadership skills. These scholarships, sponsored by North Carolina's 26 Touchstone Energy cooperatives, provide funding for more than 40 students from across North Carolina to attend basketball camp.



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PEAK TIME PERKS

Peak Time Perks is our energy-saving program that rewards you for allowing us to automatically adjust your compatible thermostat during peak periods. Members who enroll in this program will receive a \$50 bill credit, with an additional \$20 credit for each year they remain enrolled. Learn more and enroll at EnergyUnited.com/Demand-Response.

\$500 OFF

GENERAC GENERATORS

Although our 99.9% reliability rating is tough to beat, bad weather happens. There's no better protection than a backup generator.

Through July 31, we're offering **\$500 off Generac home generators** so you can keep your power going rain or shine.



SIGN UP FOR PAPERLESS BILLING

Paperless billing means one less piece of clutter in your life, and one less thing to keep track of. It's also good for the environment. There's really no downside. Sign up on the My EnergyHub app or at EnergyUnited.com/MyEnergyHub.



GRILLING

SAFETY

Grilling season is in full swing! Scan the QR code to make sure you stay safe while you char-grill those burgers to perfection.



**LEARN MORE ABOUT
GRILL SAFETY!**



SURF 'N' TURF FOIL PACKS

Recipe from Delish.com

INGREDIENTS:

- 1/2 lb. steak, cut into 1" cubes
- 1/2 lb. shrimp, cleaned and deveined
- 2 ears corn, each cut into 4 pieces
- 1 c. grape tomatoes
- 1 small red onion, cut into thick slices
- 1 lime, sliced into wedges
- 2 cloves garlic, thinly sliced
- Old Bay Seasoning, ground cumin, black pepper, thyme leaves, and parsley to taste

DIRECTIONS:

- 1 Heat grill to high. Cut 4 sheets of foil about 12" long.
- 2 Divide steak, shrimp, corn, tomatoes, onion, lime and garlic into foil packs. Drizzle oil; sprinkle with Old Bay, thyme, cumin, and pepper to taste.
- 3 Fold each foil pack crosswise. Roll edges to seal.
- 4 Grill until shrimp is cooked and steak is at preferred doneness, 6- to 8 minutes per side.
- 5 Garnish with parsley and lime.



JOIN US FOR OUR 2ND ANNUAL **DRIVING** **CHANGE**

WHEN: September 23 (September 30 in case of rain)

WHERE: Career Academy and Technical School, Troutman, NC

WHAT: Come learn about electric vehicles (and even test drive one)!

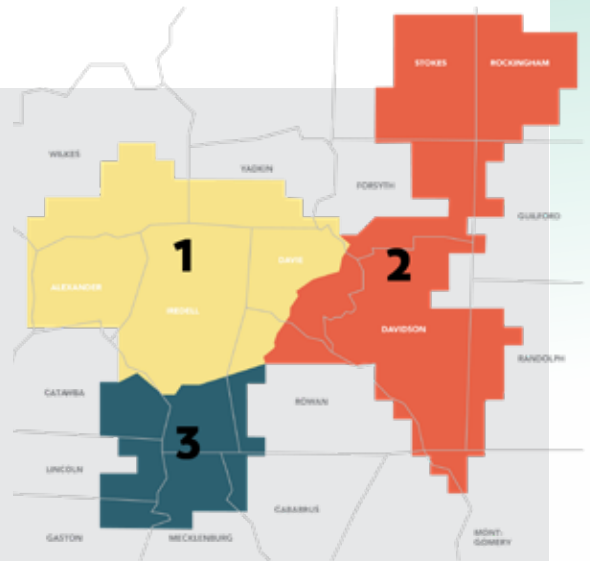
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2023 CREDENTIALS & ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

The Credentials & Elections Committee certifies the EnergyUnited Board of Directors Election results and makes the final decision concerning any election-related issue.

For more information, please email cande.committee@energyunited.com or call 704-878-5117.



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