



October/November 2025

UPCO news

Join us at our 88th

Annual Meeting

Tuesday, October 28

Thomaston-Upson Civic Center
9-11 a.m. - Member Registration
11 a.m. - Business Session

Come meet the team behind your power who
work hard every day to keep the lights on.

Official Notice of Annual Meeting

Upson Electric Membership Corporation will hold its Annual Meeting of Members on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, at 11 a.m. at the Thomaston-Upson Civic Center in Thomaston, Ga., in accordance with the corporation's Bylaws.

Registration opens at 9 a.m. and closes promptly at 11 a.m., when the meeting will be called to order.

Agenda:

- 1) Report from officers, directors and committees
- 2) Election of directors
- 3) Any other business that may legally come before said meeting

Valuable prizes will be awarded following the business session. Members are encouraged to register early and may vote by limited proxy if unable to attend. Proxies held by a spouse or adult family member residing in the same household will be accepted.

All members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Respectfully,

Kenny Coggins

Secretary/Treasurer

Board of Directors

Upson Electric Membership Corporation

Nominating Committee Report

The Nominating Committee appointed by the Board of Directors of Upson Electric Membership Corporation met on August 14, 2025, at the office of the cooperative, in Thomaston, Ga., for the purpose of nominating directors to be elected at the next Annual Meeting of Members to be held October 28, 2025.

After full discussion and deliberation, the committee nominated the following members of the cooperative to be directors for three-year terms following the Annual Meeting, according to the Bylaws of the cooperative:

District No. 1, Post 1 Upson County

Jim Meeks

District No. 2, Post 2 Crawford County and Upson County

Lorenza Wilder

Respectfully submitted by:

George Hightower Jr.,
Chairman
Steve Douglas

Gail Hammock
Walter Hancock
Carol Ison

Tom Raines
Lucile Wornum

Notice to members

If you have a disability that would require assistance while attending our Annual Meeting, please contact our office prior to the meeting or see one of our employees at registration.



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REGISTRATION FORM

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The name appearing on the line below should be the same as it appears on the monthly electric bill and, if possible, the account number should be included. Completing this form will allow members to receive a FREE appreciation gift and a chance to win a door prize awarded at the conclusion of the business session.

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Address _____

Account Number _____ *Telephone Number _____

*Email address _____

*By providing contact information, you consent to receive emails, text messages and phone calls from Upson EMC for purposes related to your account.

(To avoid delays in registration, a member should complete this form and bring it to the Annual Meeting.)

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Proxy Voting Permitted

Article II, Section 6. Limited Proxies. Any member of the Cooperative may designate his or her spouse or an adult member of the family, residing in the home of the member, to attend any meeting of the members, annual meetings or special meetings, and vote on any proposition which may legally come before said meeting, for and on behalf of the member of record. Limited proxies, as aforesaid, shall be in the form as may be designated by the Board of Directors, and said limited proxies must be filed with the Secretary or designated person before the meeting is called to order.

I am a member of Upson Electric Membership Corporation. I am unable to attend the Annual Meeting.

My name is _____
(Please print your NAME as it appears on your electric bill)

and my physical address is _____
(Please print your physical ADDRESS)

My account number is _____ and phone number _____

I give my proxy to:

(Please print the name of an adult member residing in your home to whom you are giving your proxy.)

I authorize the person above to vote on my behalf during Upson EMC's Annual Meeting, Tuesday, October 28, 2025, at the Thomaston-Upson Civic Center.

This person has agreed to vote my proxy as he/she believes I would vote if I were present. I, hereby, ratify and confirm my proxy's vote.

Signature of Member

Signature of Holder of Limited Proxy

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Letter of Authorization

For Churches, Clubs or Other Organizations
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_____ has been appointed to represent
(Print name of person)

_____ as its voting delegate and
(Print name of church, club or other organization)

to receive prizes for said organization at Upson Electric Membership Corporation's Annual Meeting of Members on October 28, 2025.

(Secretary of organization or other designated official)

Witnesses: _____

(If you are to be the representative of your church, club or other organization at the Annual Meeting, **please have this form completed and bring it with you, along with your organization's registration form.**)



Office Closing

**Upson EMC's office
will be closed on
October 28 for its
Annual Meeting.**



Is your account joint?

Does the mailing label on this magazine show an asterisk (*) after your name? If so, your account is a joint account. If not, do you want your account to be joint? A joint account allows the spouse of an individual whose name appears on the monthly bill to register, vote and be eligible to win a prize at the Annual Meeting on behalf of the account name.

If there is not an asterisk (*) after the name and you want your account to be joint, or if you have any questions about a joint account, please call our office at (706) 647-5475.

As a member of Upson EMC, **YOU** deserve the credit!

At Upson EMC, you're more than just a customer; you're a member and part owner of the cooperative. That means you share in its success. Each year, if the cooperative collects more money than it needs to operate, that extra amount is allocated to members. When financial conditions allow, we return that money to you.

This year, the Board of Directors has approved a \$1 million refund for members who had electric service in 2001 and 2024. Your refund amount is based on how much electricity you used during those years.

Look for your refund as a credit on this month's electric bill.
For questions or more information, please call (706) 647-5475.



Electric cooperatives
provide power with
purpose.



Energy Efficiency *Tip of the Month*

As winter approaches, now is the time to inspect your home for air leaks around windows. Leaks reduce indoor comfort and lead to higher heating costs. If you can see daylight around the edges of a window frame or if a window rattles slightly when touched, air is likely leaking. Caulking and weatherstripping are simple, effective methods for sealing windows. These materials are available in a variety of compounds and forms, each designed for different types of surfaces. Choose the right product and apply it properly to reduce heat loss, improve comfort and lower energy bills.

