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In the event of a power outage,
contact your local SMPA office to
reach our 24-hour dispatch.

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS

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SAFETY TIPS

Spring Cleaning Safety

- Keep all ladders away from overhead power lines.
- Unplug power tools that aren't being used.
- Avoid wet areas while using any electrical appliance.

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Ridgway's Space to Create— A Partnership in Energy Efficiency

The Ridgway Space to Create project is an exciting example of how the arts can play a vital role in promoting economic and cultural development in Ouray County.



It is also a testament to the power of community partnerships. SMPA was glad to partner with Town of Ridgway, the Ridgway Creative District, and the Colorado Office of Economic Development to make the new facility as energy efficient as possible. SMPA provided rebates for residential appliances, residential heat pumps, as well as overall all-electric home rebates, known as the "Green Medallion" home rebate. Here's to the power of partnership!

Interested in learning more about SMPA rebates for your home or project?
Check out www.smpa.com/energy#berebates. We have rebates for:

- Heat Pumps
- EnergyStar Appliances & Recycling
- Whole House Fans
- Smart Thermostats
- Induction Cooktops
- Electric Water Heaters
- Energy Audits
- Electric Thermal Storage
- Outdoor Electric Power Equipment
- Electric Vehicles (EVs)
- EV Charging Equipment
- Commercial Motors
- Green Medallion Homes
- Resiliency (Home Batteries)
- Electric Commuter Bikes & Motorcycles





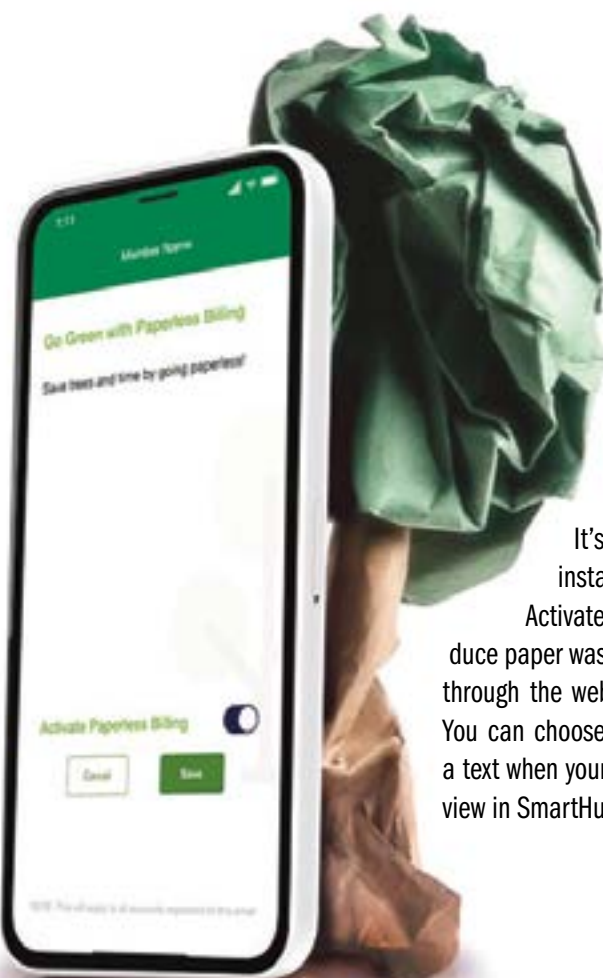
2023 Annual Meeting

The 84th Annual Meeting of the Members of San Miguel Power Association, Inc. (SMPA) will be held in person and online on Thursday, June 8th, 2023 at the SMPA Ridgway Office (720 N. Railroad St.). Learn how timing matters in building a clean energy future. The business meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m.

Interested in running for the District #2 (Telluride) Board seat? Nomination Packets (smpa.com/content/elections) are Due April 6.




Save the Date!



PAPERLESS BILLING

It's the eco-friendly way to instantly access your bill.

Activate Paperless Billing to reduce paper waste by accessing your bill through the web portal or mobile app. You can choose to receive an email or a text when your monthly bill is ready to view in SmartHub.




MATERIAL AVAILABILITY

SMPA continues to make every effort to try to accommodate your project timeline. Unfortunately, due to market circumstances beyond our control, we continue to experience extremely long lead times on certain equipment and material orders.

Please take this into consideration while planning your project.



Look up and Live.



Stay safe and plan ahead to check the location of power lines before you start working.



#THANKALINEMAN

In addition to physical strength and endurance, electrical linemen must also possess a great deal of technical knowledge. They must be familiar with a variety of electrical equipment and components, and be able to troubleshoot and repair complex components, often in hazardous conditions.

We invite our members to take a moment to thank our SMPA linemen for the work they do. You can use #ThankALineman on social media to show your support.



GIVE BLOOD | WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19
11:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
vitalant.org
 170 W. 10TH AVE., NUCLA

SMPA POWER PLAY

This Month's Puzzle:
TAMING MISTER T

Hint... Pitty the fool who doesn't know the key to the clean energy future.

SUBMIT YOUR ANSWER
and be entered into a drawing for a fun prize to:

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