




JASPER-NEWTON ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

Tuesday, September 2, 2020, 11:00 a.m.

Possible Service Interruption

Jasper-Newton Electric Cooperative has been advised by Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) of the possibility of electric service interruptions that may occur in our service over the coming days, as repairs are made to the transmission grid that was heavily damaged by Hurricane Laura. MISO is the regional transmission operator for the middle portion of the U.S. and into parts of Canada.

Jasper-Newton EC will be notified by MISO if it becomes necessary to reduce (shed) load, which could create a "rolling blackout" scenario. If service interruptions are required, JNEC will have limited notification on when to interrupt member's electric service. Therefore, members will not be notified prior to this interruption. At this time, it is not possible to know for certain if load shedding will be required, where it will happen, or the duration. Jasper-Newton EC continues to maintain communication with MISO and Entergy (transmission provider) to keep interruptions as brief as possible. It is not uncommon for a natural disaster to cause a strain on infrastructure. Jasper-Newton EC will continue to monitor the situation with MISO and Entergy to keep service interruptions as brief as possible.

We will do our best to keep our members informed as we communicate with MISO and Entergy.

In the meantime, extreme high temperatures are compounding the issue with increased power demand. You can help by reducing your electricity consumption during the peak hours from mid-afternoon until dusk.

Here are a few ways you can help by conserving energy. Plus, there's the added benefit of lowering your electricity bill.

- adjusting the thermostat a few degrees warmer
- doing laundry at night or in the morning
- running dishwashers overnight
- raise your thermostat if you leave your home for long periods of time.

Please view our website, www.jnec.com for the latest information and updates.