

Building the Leaders of Tomorrow

EQUS believes in supporting its members and in the importance of involving youth in the co-operative model.

Annually, EQUS sponsors two individuals (one male and one female) from its membership to attend the Alberta Community and Co-operative Association's (ACCA) Co-operative Youth Leadership Program. EQUS covers the full cost of attending the program for the chosen individuals.

The Co-operative Youth Leadership Program provides an opportunity for youth, ages 11 to 18, to develop their communication, leadership and teamwork skills. These seven day programs take place at Goldeye Centre, located near Nordegg, Alberta. The setting provides youth the perfect environment to build friendships, discover hidden talents, learn new skills and contribute to their own future.



If you would like an application form for this program, please go to the ACCA website (acca.coop) or contact Valdene Callin at 403.227.7541.

Deadline for sponsorship applications is **Wednesday, May 11, 2016.**

Register for EQUS' 10th Annual Golf Tournament for Charity



The winning team from the 2015 tournament - the EQUS Central Area team.

The 10th Annual EQUS Charity Golf Tournament is getting set to tee off.

We would like to invite our members and suppliers to come out and enjoy a round of golf in the name of charity.

Wednesday, July 20, 2016
Gleniffer Lake Resort and Country Club
Cost: \$80 per player or \$300 per foursome

All funds raised from the EQUS Charity Golf Tournament will go to food banks within the EQUS Service Area.

Enjoy nine holes of golf, team prizes, door prizes, a steak lunch and the opportunity to socialize and network with colleagues and friends.

For more information on how to register, please contact Valdene Callin at vcallin@equs.ca or 403.227.7541.

UFE/Line Loss Decrease on Your Bill

EQUUS is pleased to announce that the Unaccounted For Energy (UFE) / Line Loss multiplier is decreasing from 6.77% to 5.77%. This 1% decrease to your billed consumption is a result of increased accuracy of metered use. The UFE/Line Loss accounts for meter inaccuracies, possible theft, an error in loss adjustment and estimation variances.

Previously, if your metered monthly consumption was 1,000 kWh, your billed consumption was 1,067.7 kWh. Moving forward, if your metered monthly consumption is 1,000 kWh, your billed consumption will be 1,057.7 kWh.

The decrease to the UFE/Line Loss multiplier comes into effect on this month's bill.



On your bill, there is an Operation Round Up line item charge of \$0.00. Starting next month, Operation Round Up will start rounding up your Distribution Tariff (distribution plus transmission) to the next dollar.

EQUUS is proud to be the first Canadian organization to be granted permission to implement the Operation Round Up program, which is just what the name implies. Member's Distribution Tariffs are simply 'rounded up' to the next highest dollar and on average the contribution by an EQUUS member to the Operation Round Up program is about \$6.00 per year.

Operation Round Up

While it is technically 'small change', it can and does build a funding program that can give back to the communities we all call home. If all EQUUS members participate in Operation Round Up, we have the potential to contribute over \$65,000 annually to rural initiatives that help seniors and youth.

How can I participate?

If you are an EQUUS member, no action is required on your part. Effective April 2016, EQUUS members (current and new) are automatically enrolled in Operation Round Up. If you decide that you wish to be excluded from participation in Operation Round Up, simply contact our Main Office (mail, email or toll-free 1.888.211.4011) and let us know.

What happens to the money?

The collected funds are put into an independent account and disbursed through a grant process. An Operation Round Up Committee will meet

regularly to review and approve applications.

How can I participate on the Operation Round Up Committee?

EQUUS is looking for three EQUUS members to sit on the Operation Round Up Committee. As a member of the Operation Round Up Committee, you would contribute to the review, assessment and approval of all Operation Round Up funding applications and the review of all end-of-project reports. The Committee is responsible for the approval of all disbursement of funds as outlined in the program criteria.

If you are interested in applying as an Operation Round Up Committee member, please email communications@equs.ca for an application form or call 403.227.3542 ext. 158.

It is very important to note that your electrical distribution system provider will always be EQUUS, regardless of who supplies your energy. Members who choose to obtain electricity (retail electricity services) from a party other than EQUUS will not be disadvantaged or in any way be treated differently by EQUUS. For a list of energy retailers, visit www.ucahelps.alberta.ca.

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To report a power outage in your area, or for other services such as construction or vegetation management, please call your local Area Office.

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