



People's Energy Cooperative

Your Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

Immediate NEWS RELEASE

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SCAM ALERT

ORONOCO, MN, June 15, 2021 — A member of People's Energy Cooperative (PEC) was the target of a phone scam earlier today after receiving a call saying she needed to pay \$499.11 for her new meter or she would be disconnected. They also told her that if she did not pay it immediately, an independent contractor would come out to remove the meter and disconnect the service. When the member said she would call People's Energy to confirm, they hung up on her.

PEC would like to remind members that employees will never request bank or payment information from members over the phone. Member service representatives will only ask for information to identify who a member is. If members receive a call from someone claiming to represent a utility company, and the caller is asking for personal information or threatening disconnection without immediate payment, hang up and call the customer service number on your bill.

About People's Energy Cooperative

People's Energy Cooperative is a member-owned electric cooperative celebrating over 80 years of delivering retail electric power to its 19,000 consumer-members in Olmsted, Dodge, Fillmore, Mower, Wabasha, and Winona Counties. People's Energy Cooperative is a Touchstone Energy® cooperative and a member-owner in the Dairyland Power system of electric cooperatives that generates and transmits reliable electric power in 62 counties of four states (Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Illinois). People's is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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