

HEAT UP THE GRILL TO SAVE ENERGY THIS SUMMER

Nothing screams summer more than firing up the grill.

The good news is that using your grill in the great outdoors helps lower your energy bill. If you cook outside, less energy is needed to cool your kitchen.

- Nearly 70% of Americans own a grill.
- The Fourth of July is the most popular holiday for outdoor cooking.
- The hamburger is the favorite item to grill.
- The all-American hot dog gets the most votes from kids.
- More men grill than women.
- Grilling and barbecuing are not the same thing.
- Grilling means cooking over a fire, hot and fast.
- Barbecuing means cooking slowly over indirect heat.

Source: Breo Box



Official Absentee Ballot Request Form

VOTE BY MAIL: One method for a member to vote is by absentee ballot. Request an absentee ballot by completing the official form below and submit to DCEC by **August 4, 2024**. Once the Cooperative receives your form, we will provide you with an official absentee ballot which you can then complete and send back to the DCEC office. DCEC will count properly completed absentee ballots as long as they are received by **August 20, 2024** (four business days prior to the Annual Meeting). Once DCEC has received a member's absentee ballot, it cannot be revoked. A member voting by absentee ballot may still attend the Annual Meeting, however, can not vote again.

VOTE EARLY AT THE CO-OP OFFICE: Members can also complete an absentee ballot in person at the Co-op office during regular business hours between **July 29 and August 20, 2024**. You must have a government issued photo ID with you to vote by absentee ballot in the Cooperative office.

Members can return the below form in person to:

5 North Depot Street, Delhi

By mail to:

DCEC Attn: Absentee Ballot Request P.O. Box 471 Delhi, NY 13753 Fax to (607) 746-7548 Email to <u>office@dce.coop</u>

DCEC strongly encourages all members to vote! If you vote by absentee ballot, a \$10 bill credit will be applied to your October 2024 bill!

The Delaware County Electric Cooperative (hereinafter "Cooperative") will hold its Annual Meeting on **August 24, 2024** for the transaction of all lawful business in accordance with its Bylaws and the New York State Rural Electric Cooperative Law. The Annual Meeting will be held at the Delaware Academy, located at 2 Sheldon Dr., Delhi, NY, and the business meeting shall begin at 10:00am.

Members who are unable to attend in person are permitted under Article III of the Cooperative's Bylaws to vote, by absentee ballot, on any and all issues presented to the general membership at that meeting.

To be eligible to vote by absentee ballot, members may request that an absentee ballot be sent to them by providing the following information and returning this completed form to the Cooperative. <u>The Cooperative must receive this request</u>

no later than August 4, 2024.

I HEREBY REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR THE AUGUST 24, 2024 ANNUAL MEETING.

Member's Name:_

Member's Address (where you'd like the ballot sent to): _

If you have any questions with respect to this form or the Annual Meeting, please contact DCEC at (607) 746-2341 or (866) 436-1223, or at Delaware County Electric Co-op, P.O. Box 471, 5 North Depot Street, Delhi, NY 13753.