



Southwest Tennessee Electric Membership Corporation

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative
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Dear STEMC Member:

As your electric cooperative, our goal is to provide reliable, cost effective electric service to you in a safe manner. Part of the process of providing this service is inspecting and maintaining our equipment including the equipment located on your property.

As a member of the cooperative, you agreed to allow STEMC access as needed to inspect and maintain our equipment. Refusal to allow access could result in termination of your electric service. If we can't inspect and maintain our equipment on your property, we can't provide reliable and, more importantly, safe electric service.

Quanta Utility Engineering Services (QUES), as a contractor of STEMC, will be conducting utility pole inspections and treatments.

They will be driving a white utility vehicle and UTVs with a flashing caution light on top. The vehicle has the name "QUES" on the door. All personnel will have ID cards showing employment with QUES. Additionally, they will utilize four wheelers to reach locations off the road.

QUES will be inspecting approximately 9,000 poles per year for the next ten years in order to cover our entire field inventory. The inspections will include an excavation and treatment of STEMC utility poles in order to prolong the life of the utility pole by an average of 25-30 years. This is a cost-effective method of extending the life of these STEMC assets and, thereby, saving the members money. Therefore, it makes our system more reliable, safe and affordable.

Please allow Service Electric/QUES as our contractor access to our equipment on your property so they can inspect and perform any necessary maintenance as needed. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this request, please contact me at 731-585-0502.

Your cooperation is much appreciated.

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