

East Kentucky Power Cooperative





EKPC: Serving Rural Kentucky

Owner-Member co-ops provide electricity to more than 1.1 million Kentuckians in 87 counties

Big Sandy RECC Jackson Energy Blue Grass Energy Licking Valley RECC Clark Energy **K** Nolin RECC Cumberland Valley Electric Companie La Com Farmers RECC M Salt River Electric Fleming-Mason Energy N Shelby Energy O South Kentucky Rural Electric **Grayson RECC** P Taylor County RECC Inter-County Energy



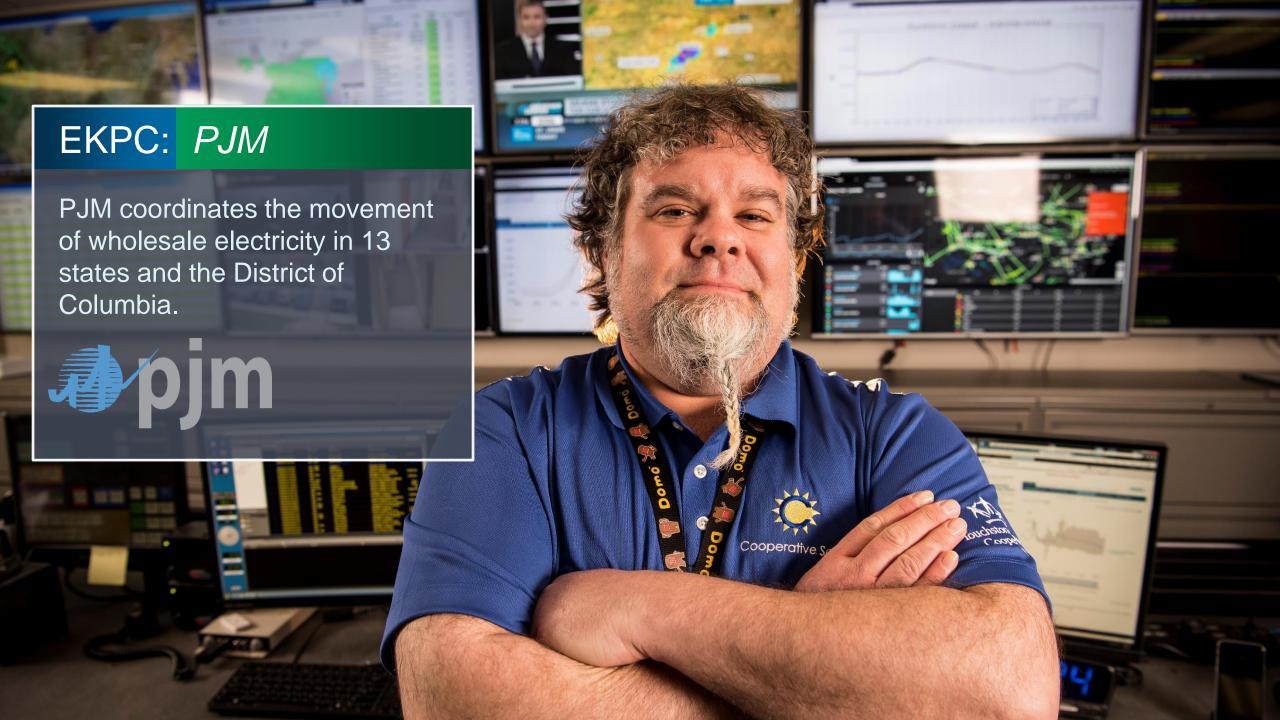
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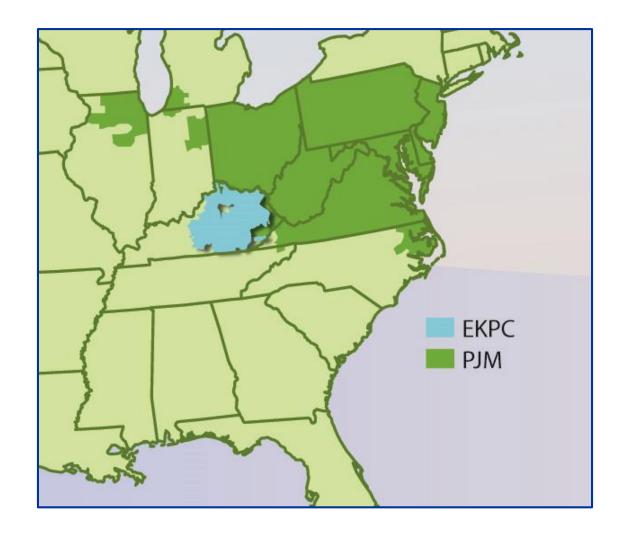






PJM membership:

- Optimize the efficiency of EKPC's generating units
- Mitigate market risks for importing and exporting power
- Provide access to a much larger power supply marketplace
- Leverage the system's weather diversity
- Enable EKPC to reduce planning reserves from 12 percent annually to 3 percent across PJM's summer peak
- Increase opportunities to buy market energy and sell excess capacity
- Reduce annual purchases of 400 MW of import transmission and associated expenses









Cooperative Solar Farm One Stats



- 32,300 panels
 - 30,400 fixed
 - 1,900 tracking
- Panels each 330-335 watts DC
 - 79 in \times 39 in \times 1.5 in (including frame)
 - 53 lbs.
- Total of ~ 8.5 MWs AC
 - Enough energy to power about 1,000 homes
- 6 inverters
- Financed with Clean Renewable Energy Bonds

























- \$460/panel one-time payment for 25-year license.
- Electric co-ops own, operate and maintain solar panels.
- Participants get the benefit of solar power on their monthly power bill.







Sources of value for participants

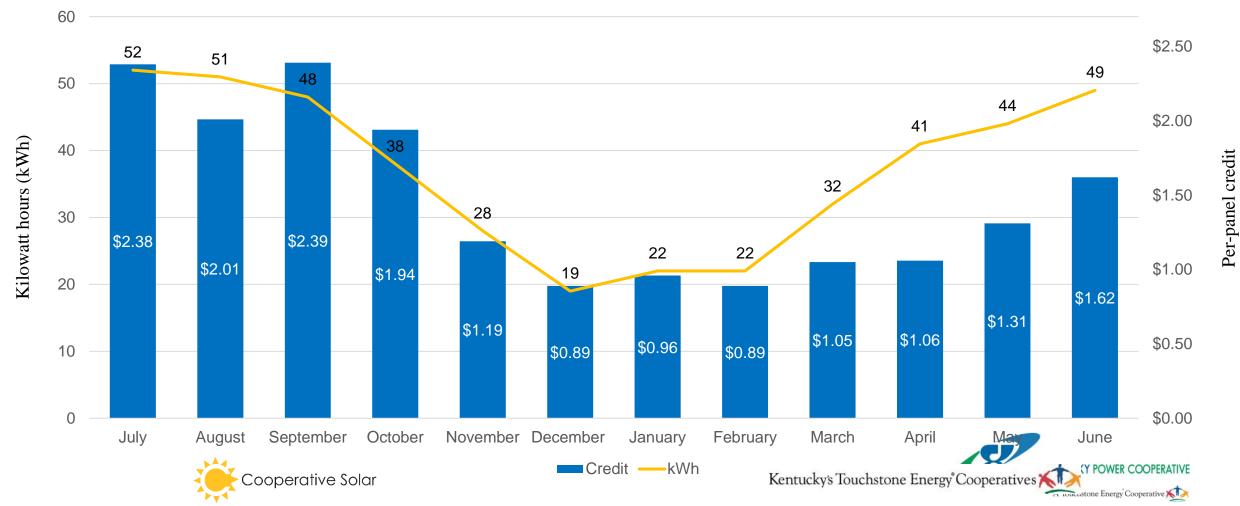
- Energy Licensees credit for receive real-time market value of energy
- Capacity Licensees receive credit for market value set by annual auctions
- Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) Licensees receive credit for market value established by auctions





Production & Credits, last 12 months







Benefits for participants

- Not-for-profit
- No worries about maintenance or hassles from bolting panels to their roof.
- Available to renters or areas with deed restrictions
- Available to members whose roof is shaded by trees or doesn't get good exposure to the sun
- Can transfer, gift or sell your license







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Government Oversight of Power Generation & Transmission

Kentucky Public Service Commission

- Rates and service in Kentucky
- New generating facilities and large transmission line projects require Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN)
- Service facilities are exempt from local zoning (KRS 100.324)

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

- Interstate wholesale sales of electricity
- Reliability of high-voltage transmission
- Monitors regional markets like PJM
- Prevents discrimination in access to electric grid
- Promotes regional planning and cost allocation



Utilities Must Provide Access to the Transmission Grid

Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT)

- Helps ensure fair, open access
- Establishes rights and responsibilities
- Allows for transmission planning (efficiency)
- Sets cost recovery and allocation mechanisms
- PJM Interconnection maintains and administers OATT on behalf of members, including EKPC



PJM's Interconnection Process

1) Feasibility study

- Project practicality, developer cost to interconnect
- Preliminary estimates of upgrade type, scope, cost and construction lead time

2) System impact study

- Identifies potential system constraints, attachment facilities, local and network upgrades
- Comprehensive cost responsibilities, construction lead time estimates

3) Facility study

- Engineering design of expansion plan to accommodate interconnection request
- Good-faith estimate of costs, time for attachment facilities and upgrades

Process can take 2+ years; small system (20 MW or less) may be expedited



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Questions and Discussion

