# **Behind the Numbers**

# New Service Connections and System Upgrades

As the days grow longer and temperatures rise, spring marks the start of a busy season for Southeastern Indiana REMC. Warmer weather brings new construction projects, home improvements, and expansion across our service territory. From new home builds to commercial developments, our crews are hard at work ensuring that safe, reliable power is available where and when it's needed.

### By the Numbers: Growth in Our Service Territory

Spring is one of the busiest times of the year for new service connections. In the past year alone:

- 337 new homes and businesses were connected to our electric system.
- 13.84 miles of new power lines were installed to expand service to growing areas.
- 676 transformers were added or upgraded to accommodate increased demand.

With homebuilding and business expansion picking up in the spring, the demand for new connections is expected to remain strong in the coming months.

#### Meeting the Demand for Power

As more members request new service installations, upgrades, or expansions, our engineering team carefully plans each connection to ensure reliability and efficiency. This involves:

- Assessing load demand to determine the best placement for transformers and power lines.
- Upgrading poles, wires, and equipment to support additional capacity.
- Coordinating with developers, builders, and homeowners to ensure smooth installation.

Whether it's a new residential subdivision, a farm



expansion, or a commercial facility, Southeastern Indiana REMC is committed to providing the infrastructure needed to power our growing communities.

# **Investing in System Upgrades**

Growth doesn't just mean new service—it also means enhancing and strengthening the existing electric grid. Each spring, we assess key infrastructure upgrades to maintain reliability and prevent future service disruptions. This includes:

- Replacing aging poles and transformers before they become a reliability risk.
- Expanding system capacity to accommodate increased load from new homes and businesses.
- Enhancing fiber connectivity through SEI Fiber, ensuring fast, reliable internet access to more members.

These strategic upgrades help improve overall grid performance while ensuring that our members receive the best possible electric and fiber services.

# **Looking Ahead**

As we continue to see growth in our service territory, Southeastern Indiana REMC remains focused on planning for the future. By investing in system upgrades, expanding service to new areas, and keeping reliability at the forefront, we are ensuring that our cooperative remains strong and ready to serve the evolving needs of our members.

If you're planning a new construction project or need to request a service upgrade, we encourage you to contact our office as early as possible. Our team is ready to help power your growth this spring and beyond!