

Mitchell EMC



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5 minutes!

CAMILLA, GEORGIA
www.mitchellemc.com

Just a Reminder...

Final Month to Claim Undeliverable Capital Credits

Members can review a list of unclaimed patronage capital due to be escheated on September 29, 2017 online or in one of our district offices.

The last possible date to claim these funds is on September 29, 2017. If these funds are not claimed by this date, they will be donated for charitable uses, as permitted by O.C.G.A 44-12-236.

Our headquarters office located in Camilla and district offices located in Albany and Sylvester have hardcopy list available for review. Our offices are open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Members can also access this list at www.mitchellemc.com, then About Us - Patronage Capital – Patronage Capital Escheatment.

Georgia Agricultural Tax Exemption Expires Dec. 31

If you're an agricultural producer and receive the Georgia Agricultural Tax Exemption (GATE) on electricity, you must renew it beginning this October.

GATE is an agricultural sales and use tax exemption certificate issued by the Georgia Department of Agriculture. The document identifies its user as a qualified farmer or producer who is exempt from sales tax on the inputs used in the production of their commodity.

Mitchell EMC member-owners who receive a GATE certificate should send us a copy along with the account numbers that apply to the GATE certificate, so we can apply the exemption to their account. **We must receive a copy of the new certificate by December 31 for the exemption to continue.**

Producers who have never received GATE can also apply and send a certificate copy to Mitchell EMC. Visit <https://forms.agr.georgia.gov/gate/> or call 855-FARM TAX for more information, to renew or apply.

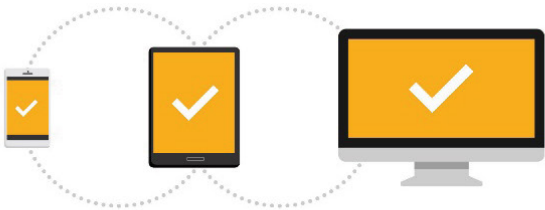
Mail GATE certificate copies to Mitchell EMC, Attn: Billing Department P.O. Box 409, Camilla, GA, 31730.

October

is National Cybersecurity Awareness Month.

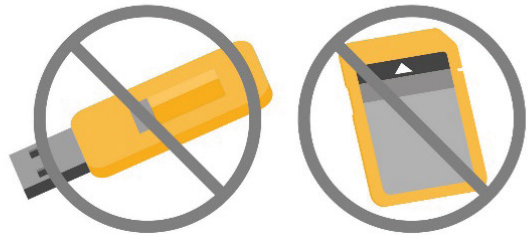


Quick Tips to Keep Data Safe:



- Keep all software on internet-connected devices — including PCs, tablets and smartphones — up to date to reduce risk of infection from malware.

- Avoid the use of thumb drives and other portable memory devices.



- Create long passwords that only you will remember. Try utilizing phrases from your favorite song or movie, and include numbers and capital letters to strengthen passwords.

- Avoid opening emails and clicking links from suspicious or unknown senders.



Follow #cyberaware for more cybersecurity tips.

Margin Assignment for 2016

Margins accrued by Mitchell EMC (revenue after all expenses have been paid) have been assigned to Member's patronage credit records. This assignment is made by applying the percentage of the Cooperative's margins to each Members' annual bill, before taxes. The percentage from Mitchell's margins for 2016 is 4.81%.

The table below shows examples of how you may figure your assignment. Simply multiply the percentage figures shown below times your total billing, less sales taxes, for the year.

Percentage	If annual bills (less taxes) were:	\$500	\$750	\$1,000
4.81%	Credits assigned from Mitchell's operating margins	\$24.03	\$36.05	\$48.06

Remember to keep us informed of your correct mailing address, especially if you should move out of Mitchell EMC's service area. If you have any questions about your assignments, please call us at 229-336-5221 or 800-479-6034.

Bids are being accepted until Nov. 10, 2017

Mitchell EMC has the following vehicles / equipment for sale 'as is' to the highest bidder. You can view the items at our Camilla Office Monday - Friday, 8am until 5pm. For more information, contact Keith Gilliard, Shop Mechanic, at (229)336-5221 or (800)479-6034. Please submit your bid in a sealed envelope no later than 5pm, Friday, November 10th, 2017 to the Camilla Office location. The winners will be contacted the week of November 13th. Pickup and payment of vehicles / equipment no later than Thursday, November 30th. *Mitchell EMC reserves the right to refuse any and all bids.*



Year	Make	Model	Description	Mileage	VIN
1998	DITCH WITCH	3700DD	TRENCHER	1468 hrs	3S0161
1991	DITCH WITCH	6510	TRENCHER	3971 hrs	6510DD 6G2033
1990	DITCH WITCH	DITC BT26 TRAILER	DITCH WITCH TRAILER	n/a	1DS0000M5L17G1504
2006	INTERNATIONAL	4400 DM45	DIGGER TRUCK	79,670	1HTMKAAN16H231918
2002	INTERNATIONAL	4000 SERIES TK	BUCKET TRUCK	148,905	1HTMKAAE23H569066
2006	ANDERSON	TRAILER	ROW TRAILER	n/a	4YNBN25276C040611

Serving in 14 Southwest Georgia Counties...

Donate your unwanted coats and help others stay warm this winter!



Coat Cover-up

November 1st -December 1st
New or Used
All sizes accepted

Drop-off bins are located in the lobby of each Mitchell EMC Office

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Fall/Winter Energy Tip: When you are asleep or out of the house, turn your thermostat back 10° to 15° for eight hours and save around 10 percent a year on your heating and cooling bills. A programmable thermostat can make it easy to set back your temperature – set it and forget it!

Source: U.S. Dept. of Energy



Note: If you move or no longer have electric service with Mitchell EMC, it is important that members keep their address current, so that future disbursements can be properly mailed. Capital credits are reserved for members even if they move out of the Mitchell EMC service area. Mitchell EMC will make a diligent effort to send a check by mail.

Statement of Equal Employment Opportunity

All applicants for employment shall be considered and hired on the basis of merit, without regard to race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), age, national origin, disability, genetic information, or past or present military status. The employment practices shall ensure equal treatment of all employees, without discrimination as to promotion, discharge, rates of pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral, and other aspects of employment, on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), national origin, disability, age, genetic information, or past or present military status. M/F/V/DV/D

WATT'S COOKING



Cowboy Taco Soup

Ingredients:

- 1 pound ground beef
- 1 pound ground sausage
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1 (1 oz.) pkg. Ranch dressing mix
- 1 (1-1/2 oz.) pkg. 30% less sodium mild taco seasoning mix
- 2 (15-1/4 oz.) cans no salt added whole kernel corn
- 2 (14-1/2 oz.) cans no salt added diced tomatoes
- 1 (10 oz.) can Original Rotel diced tomatoes & green chilies
- 1 (15-1/2 oz.) can low sodium black beans, drained

Optional Garnish/Additions: Light sour cream, grated cheddar cheese.

In a large soup pot, combine ground beef, sausage and onion; cook until brown and juices run clear. Drain well; return to soup pot. Add remaining ingredients; mix well. Simmer, with lid on, for at least 45 minutes; stir occasionally. This soup can also be cooked in a crockpot for 4-6 hours on low. Serve with sour cream, grated cheese and your favorite chips or crackers.

Thanks!
to

Craig & Teresa Hamilton, Mitchell County, GA, for sharing this recipe.

Share & Win!

Send us your favorite quick and easy dinner recipes. If your recipe is chosen for print, you can win a

\$25 credit

on your next Mitchell EMC bill.

Send recipes to Heather Greene, P.O. Box 409, Camilla, GA 31730 or email to heather.greene@mitchellemc.com.