

## SCEC Rebate Forms

Available at [www.scecn.net](http://www.scecn.net), at the Co-op or:

**Countryside Plumbing & Heating (New Richmond)**  
715-246-2660 | Form: HVAC

**Gregerson ACE Hardware (Baldwin)**  
715-684-3246 | Form(s): appliances, lighting

**Larson's Appliance Center (New Richmond)**  
715-246-2969 | Form: appliances

**Sears Hometown Store (River Falls)**  
715-425-2400 | Form(s): appliances, water heaters

**Call 715-796-7000 with questions.**

# Mild temperatures boost Project Integration progress

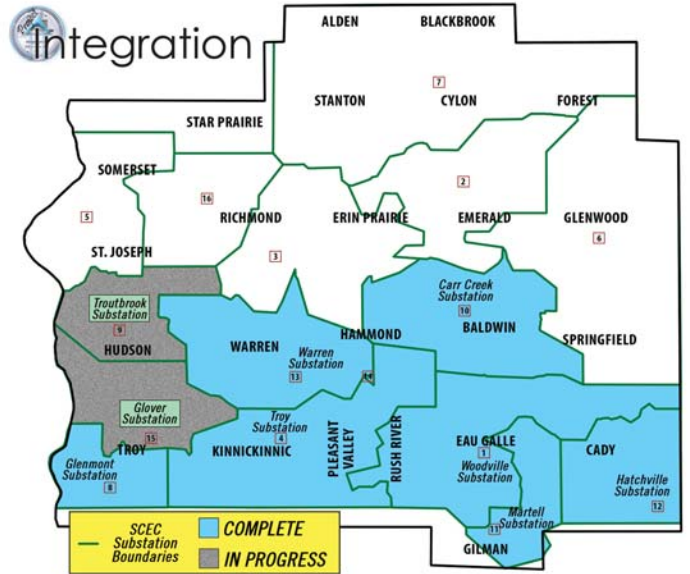
*Members reminded to remove enclosures, obstructions around meters*

According to Gary Robinson, St. Croix Electric Cooperative operations technician II, Chapman Metering is upgrading nearly 350 meters every week, thanks to more mild temperatures.

Chapman Metering, of Avoca, Iowa, is the company SCEC has selected for the meter upgrade portion of Project Integration - SCEC's new information management and metering system conversion.

Even though Chapman Metering is nearly halfway done with their work, progress is slowed when employees are unable to access meters. Sometimes it's a situation like the deck photo below where a home addition has been built around the meter or, as in the right photo, directly in front of it. In some cases, the meter

can be accessed ... if items, such as skis, storm windows or a grill are moved. In all cases, the homeowner must remove all obstructions so Chapman Metering can easily open and inspect the meter socket and replace the meter. Members with questions can contact St. Croix Electric Cooperative at 715-796-7000.



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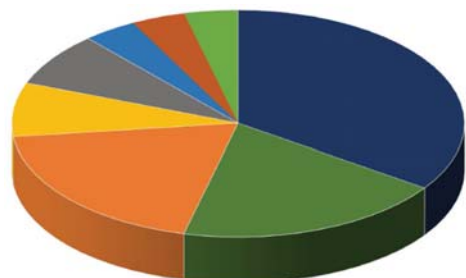
800-924-3407 | [wildblue@dishup.us](mailto:wildblue@dishup.us)

## Outage report:

We strive to provide a reliable supply of electricity to all customers.

Outages from Feb. 29 to April 21:

Cause (accts affected)	Incidents
Material/Equip. Failure (10)	9
Trees (150)	5
Animal (145)	5
Fire (2)	2
Cause Unknown (2)	2
Motor Vehicle (56)	1
Excavating Contractor (9)	1
Public Cuts Tree (5)	1



## Meter obstructions

*Real examples of meter obstructions captured by SCEC's meter contractor*



St. Croix Electric Cooperative requires members to maintain at least four feet of clearance in front and to the sides of electric meters to allow the meters to be read and properly maintained.

**Above:** A contractor installed a deck on a member's home, completely surrounding the meter (the number on the meter was altered for security reasons).

**Right:** Even though the meter can be read, Chapman Metering is unable to inspect the meter socket or replace the meter due to the shed.

