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**Dear District 8 Member:**

SECO Energy's service area is divided into nine geographic Districts. Each District is entitled to one Trustee to represent it in Cooperative affairs on the Board. Please attend a Membership Meeting for District 8 on Tuesday, February 9, at The Manor – in The Plantation at 25201 U.S. 27, Leesburg, FL 34748.

The meeting's purpose is to elect a Trustee to represent the members located in District 8 per Article III, Section G, paragraph (1) of the Bylaws. Per Florida Statute Chapter 425, electric cooperatives that choose to hold District Meetings for the purpose of electing Trustees must require the members of the District to vote in person.

**TRUSTEE ELECTION CANDIDACY**

Members seeking candidacy shall do so in accordance with SECO Energy Bylaws Article III, Section G. The Bylaws are posted at SECOEnergy.com > Your Co-op > Bylaws. Paper copies are available at our five Member Service Centers, or you can request a mailed copy.

The District's incumbent Trustee William James indicates he is planning to seek re-election. He and any member seeking candidacy must submit a letter of intent to run and meet Bylaws qualification requirements of Article IV, Section B. Among other things, a member of the District seeking candidacy must reside in the District, submit to a background check, answer a short written questionnaire, and submit a letter of intent to run. The letter of intent must be received at the Corporate Headquarters to the attention of the Chief Executive Officer within fifteen (15) days after the date of this notice. Candidates are not permitted to use the SECO Energy logo on campaign materials.

**DISTRICT MEETING AND ELECTION FORMAT**

To proactively prepare for social distancing and protect the health of our members and employees, SECO is offering drive-thru voting. Members who prefer to limit contact with others may register and cast their ballot from their vehicle in a designated drive-thru voting lane at the facility. Members who desire to come inside the facility to register and cast their ballot are encouraged to follow current CDC guidelines.

**The following registration requirements ensure election compliance:**

- Only the person, or the spouse of the person, whose name appears on the official Cooperative records may register to vote at a District Meeting. Members with more than one account may only vote once.
- Each member or member's spouse must present identification at the time of registration.
- Voting by members other than members who are natural persons (e.g. corporations or other entities) shall be allowed upon presentation of satisfactory evidence entitling the person to vote on behalf of the member.

Registration and voting begin at 4:30 p.m. and the business meeting begins at 6 p.m. Please bring this notice or your SECO bill and photo ID to the meeting. Beginning January 29 visit SECOEnergy.com > Your Co-op > District Map and Meeting to read your District 8 candidates' questionnaires. SECO Energy will not endorse any candidate.

Thank you in advance for your participation in the cooperative business model. It is our privilege to serve your family's energy needs.

Sincerely,

Gerald Anderson  
Secretary-Treasurer/District 3 Trustee