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### Tip of the Month

Never approach downed power lines. Notify NOVEC immediately by calling 703-335-0500, or call 911.

Remember:  
 #StaySafeStayBack.

## What's Current

MARCH/APRIL 2020

### THANK A LINEWORKER ON APRIL 13, 2020

NOVEC joins electric cooperatives across the country to honor and thank lineworkers on April 13, 2020 — National Lineworker Appreciation Day, designated by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA).

Lineworkers put their lives at risk when they work with electricity, whether they are up high in the air working in a bucket truck or on the ground. Working with very high levels of electricity — thousands of volts — is just part of the job. The danger increases during storms, when working in wet and windy conditions, or when working in snow and ice.

“To be a lineworker, a person needs technical skill, mental fortitude, and physical strength. They need to have a true desire to help others when the power goes out.” says Skip Hollcroft, NOVEC’s construction supervisor, who oversees all NOVEC line technicians.

Remember to thank lineworkers for their hard work every day to keep your lights on, and to restore power when outages occur. Show your support on social media and celebrate NOVEC’s line techs with #ThankALineworker.

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# ALWAYS CALL BEFORE YOU DIG



## CALL 811 BEFORE YOU DIG

Spring is approaching fast, and it's a great time to do some landscaping around your home — both for beautification and energy efficiency. Planting trees that provide shade on the sunny side of your home can help block the sun's rays heating up your home in summer.

Before you grab a shovel, call 811 — also known as Miss Utility — at least 48 hours before you dig. This law also applies to major construction projects including, decks, patios, and fences.

When you call, tell the operator where you're planning to dig and what type of work you'll be doing. The center will notify the utility companies that serve you, including NOVEC. These companies will send locators to your property to mark underground lines, pipes, and cables. Afterward, you will know their approximate location and can start shoveling — safely. Be sure to dig at least five feet from the mark to stay away from utility easements. This helps keep you safe and helps protect equipment from damage.

For more information, visit [call811.com](http://call811.com) or [missutilityofvirginia.com](http://missutilityofvirginia.com).

## Multiple reasons to *smile*

Here's something that will have NOVEC customers smiling all year: a monthly bill credit throughout 2020! The average credit is more than \$16 a month.\*

As a not-for-profit electric cooperative, NOVEC provides wholesale power to customers at cost. When those costs change, NOVEC passes the difference along through a power cost adjustment on monthly bills.

**Bill credits during 2020 make everyone happy!**



\* Based on 1,300 kilowatt-hours (kWh) average monthly residential use | NOVEC is an equal opportunity provider and employer.