

Topics for Discussion
TCGA Utility Rates and Regulations Committee
2025 Summer Meeting

1. **Utility Legislation passed this session:**

- Lots of ERCOT Related Bills this year.

2. **Electric Rate Cases:**

- We have intervened in and are monitoring several cases:
- 56165 – AEP proposed 13.09% increase for SGS, 14.04% increase overall
 - Settled with 8% increase for SGS, 9.43% overall
- 57568 – El Paso Electric – Proposing 13.65% increase, but -1.835% decrease for cotton gin rate.
 - This case also has some interesting solar issues – mainly with residential.
 - This is one of two companies with cotton gin rate remaining.
- Lots of TCRF and DCRF Cases in 2024 & 2025 (19).

3. **SPS currently working on time-of-use study – TCGA is a stakeholder in this project.**

4. **2024 Ginning Survey, and Multi Year Average Survey:**

- Survey results are on the TCGA website in Member's Only section.
- Electricity down \$0.0128/kWh this year (\$0.0808/kwh vs \$0.0936/kwh last year).
- Gins on Competitive suppliers at \$0.0878/kWh this year (\$0.0853/kwh last year).
- Average cost per bale was \$3.37/bale compared to last year at \$4.13/bale
- Average usage down 2.41 kWh/bale (41.75 kWh/bale vs 44.16 kWh/bale last year)
- Total gins responding to survey - 37 (22% of membership)
- Total bales responding to survey – 1,489,870 (36% of TX crop).
- Ranking of Utilities – **Lowest to Highest:**
 - #1 – SPEC – \$0.0703/kWh – (Was Lyntegar)
 - #2 – Xcel – \$0.0725/kWh – (Was Competitive)
 - #3 – Lyntegar – \$0.0815/kWh – (Was Other Coop)
 - #4 – Other Coop – \$0.0842/kWh – (Was SPEC)
 - #5 – Competitive – \$0.0878/kWh – (Was Lea County)
 - #6 – Lea County – \$0.0926/kWh – (Was Xcel)
 - #7 – Other Inv – \$0.1006/kWh – (Was Other Inv)

5. **Energy Purchases/Aggregation Program:**

- Bill Thomas is doing an excellent job with our program.
- Congestion (nodal basis) charges are a major variable in the different contracts. Brokers that pass-through congestion will have significantly lower prices. Congestion can double your energy costs, especially in West Texas. Hedging congestion is smart and good insurance for keeping your electric costs in line with your budget.
- Six providers available in program. These totals include gins and west Texas irrigators.
 - NRG (formerly Direct Energy, Cirro Energy, Reliant)
 - MP2 Shell Energy (very competitive)
 - Constellation (new supplier and competitive)
 - Champion Energy (can be competitive at times) – Now a subsidiary of Constellation
 - TXU Energy (monthly bandwidth is not desirable)
 - Hudson Energy-Out of Program. No longer doing deals with TCGA