

How does it work?

This program is for residential members. A daily charge (including the fixed charge and energy charges, plus applicable tax, power cost adjustment, and other billing adjustments) is calculated based upon previous usage patterns.

- Any existing deposit will be applied to the current balance.
- 50% of payments will be applied to any unpaid balance.
- An energy assistance payment will be applied after the payment has been received.

In the unfortunate event of a negative balance, the service will be disconnected. A \$25 reconnection fee may be applied during working hours. After hours, the reconnection fee is \$150.

The Cooperative will not be held responsible for any consequences resulting from the failure on the part of the member to make timely purchases of electricity in order to maintain uninterrupted electrical service or failure to notify us of changes to cell phone number or email address. Barron Electric reserves the right to modify the program at anytime.

Can I monitor my account?

Besides cell text or email messages, you can log into your Meter Monitor account to find out your approximate daily usage and cost, the amount you used last month, and much more. At any time, you will be able to access the account to find out more about your usage.



Go to www.barronelectric.com and Meter Monitor to set up your account. Then notify us at prepay@barronelectric.com to avoid the \$1/month fee.

How do I enroll?

At this time, the Prepay Program is only offered to Residential accounts. A cell phone or email address is required.

Contact Barron Electric's Billing and Finance Department at **800-322-1008 or 715-537-3171.**

Take Charge of Energy Costs With Our



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1434 State Highway 25 N
Barron WI 54812**



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Outages only: 866-258-8722
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Take charge of your energy costs

Our Prepay Program allows you to pay for energy when you choose, the way you buy groceries and gasoline. This easy pay-as-you-go plan gives you greater control over your budget because you decide how much to pay and when to pay it. The only equipment needed is a cell phone or computer. There is no equipment in the field, except the meter.

Benefits

- No Deposits
 - No Late Fees!
 - You Choose When to Pay Your Bill
- With Barron Electric's Prepay Program, you purchase electricity before you use it. You can make payments online, by phone, or in person at our Barron office.

You will never worry about security deposits and late fees again!

Is the Prepay Program right for me?

Would it be easier for you to make weekly or bi-weekly payments for your energy usage rather than one large payment each month? Then this option is for you. You choose how much you want to pay - \$20 a day, \$50 a week, or \$1,000 – and when you want. It might be when you get your next paycheck, when your Social Security check arrives, or whenever you can afford to add to your balance. You will receive a monthly statement showing your usage.

Will I be notified if my balance is low?

Members who enroll in this option maintain a positive prepaid balance in their account from which their daily usage is subtracted. When your balance has approximately 5 days of power remaining, a daily **warning** cell text or email message will alert you that you need to add money to your account. When your balance provides approximately 2 days of power, you will receive a **critical** cell text or email message. When the account no longer has a positive balance, you will receive an alert that your power has been **disconnected**.

How do I add money to my account?

There are several ways to add money to your Prepay balance:

- Make cash, check, credit or prepaid debit card payments at our Barron office between 7:45 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays.
- Pay online at www.barronelectric.com.
- Call us at 800-322-1008 to make a payment over the phone.
- Set up payments through your current online banking system.

