



San Miguel at Work

Providing electrical power to more than 78,000 homes during peak demand takes a lot of hard work and dedication. This is the commitment of San Miguel employees, many of whom have worked for the Cooperative for more than 30 years. For the more than 400 employees who work at our plant and mine – based in Christine, Texas – San Miguel is not just a job. It's a pledge to be part of a community as neighbors, colleagues and customers who receive a dependable power supply at an affordable cost, because that's the cooperative way.

Safety

Our goal is for every employee to go home safely at the end of the day. That's the San Miguel pledge. Throughout its history, the Cooperative has committed to zero injuries. We strive to achieve this through a rigorous program of supervisor leadership training, employee safety programs and a safety culture that works to identify and mitigate hazards.



Engineering

San Miguel employees take great pride in maintaining unit reliability and performance of the plant. Our highly trained and experienced engineers support the operations and maintenance departments on projects that improve optimization, functionality and environmental controls.



A Giving Culture

It's not all about generating power at San Miguel. It's also about giving back to the community. SMEC donates yearly to the community through its charitable giving programs; our employees are also knitted closely within their own South Texas communities by donating their time and money.



They coach little league teams, build BBQ pits for charity and volunteer at local churches and not-for-profits – working hard to lend a hand to those in need.



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Operations

San Miguel employees work diligently to ensure seamless operation of the plant, which in 2018 generated power on 320 days, producing 2,509,413 megawatt hours for our customers across 42 South Texas counties.



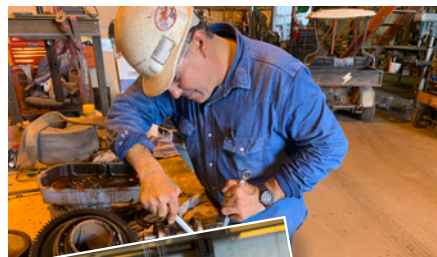
Fuels

Since its permitting in the early 1980s, the San Miguel Lignite Mine & Fuels team has delivered 113 million tons of lignite to the plant, while removing 857 million cubic yards of overburden and 49.8 million cubic yards of parting. Mining activity has covered 10,284 acres. Reclamation of the mined land continues, and in 2018, San Miguel re-contoured and re-vegetated more than 9,500 acres.



Maintenance

Running an efficient power plant takes great dedication. From projects that improve overall unit performance to ensuring operations during planned outage periods, our maintenance employees work year round to support our mission.



Administrative Services

Administrative Services helps to support the daily operational and regulatory aspects of producing everyday power. This includes providing training opportunities to expand and improve employees' existing skills and talents, procuring the materials, supplies and financing necessary to operate in a fiscally sound and efficient way and ensuring that the Cooperative maintains compliance with many regulatory standards and laws.



About Us

San Miguel Electric Cooperative, Inc., is a member-owned mining and power generation cooperative that serves the people of Texas' rural communities, working and living in partnership with its members. Through integrity, hard work and a commitment to safety, San Miguel maintains a dependable power supply at the lowest possible and competitive cost. Visit San Miguel Electric Cooperative for more information.