# SAN MIGUEL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.



## **Our Cooperative**

San Miguel Electric Cooperative is an electric cooperative based in Christine, Texas. Our power plant and its nearby lignite mine produce 391 megawatts of affordable, reliable electricity for our nine member cooperatives across 47 South Texas counties. As a small, rural and member-owned organization, San Miguel Electric Cooperative provides a reliable source of power to hundreds of thousands of Texans, ensuring the stability of a well-functioning power grid and supporting the agricultural economy of South Texas. We invest heavily in advanced technology to monitor and minimize emissions from our power plant and are proud to have been recognized for our stewardship efforts with multiple environmental achievement and conservation awards.



Safe, reliable and affordable power generation



Award-winning environmental achievement



We are a good neighbor in South Texas

## Our culture

At our core, we excel at problem-solving and finding solutions. That's the foundation upon which our cooperative was built, as we provide safe, reliable power generation to South Texans.

We take great pride in our people, and they take great pride in their work. Our employees do in-house what most other power generators outsource to others. Our employees know they have the freedom to pursue innovative ideas and solutions and will be rewarded for their initiative and work ethic. In fact, many of our employees have spent their entire careers working for the cooperative. That says a lot about our company and our culture.

The safety of those employees and the community at large is also paramount to us. San Miguel strives for constant improvement through safety training and awareness programs that ensure compliance with regulatory standards.

San Miguel Electric Cooperative is committed to providing safe, reliable and affordable power through diligent resource management, environmental stewardship and employee growth, while helping to meet needs within the communities we serve.

391 Megawatts generated Texas counties served

**200,000** homes powered

nomes powered during peak demand



#### **Coal's economic impact**

In 2021, the coal mining industry in the state of Texas produced around 17.2 million short tons of coal and employed around 1,700 workers. It is estimated that this coal production generated around \$324.2 million in output in 2021. This output is estimated to generate \$317.5 billion in secondary output impacts, resulting in a total economic impact of \$641.7 million in output in the Texas economy.

It is estimated that:

- The 1,700 coal mining jobs in Texas in 2021 are expected to generate 3,400 additional jobs in the state economy, resulting in a total employment impact of 5,100 jobs
- Coal production generates around \$371.8 million in labor income in the state
- Coal production is estimated to generate more than \$36 million in select state and local tax revenue
- \* The Economic Impact of Coal Production and Coal-Fired Power Generation in the United States, Bureau of Business & Economic Research, West Virginia University College of Business and Economics

## Texas lignite coal facts

- Lignite coal is a stable, abundant and affordable source of electricity
- Texas is the second largest lignite coal producer in the nation
- Texas is the largest lignite coalconsuming state in the nation
- Nearly 13 percent of the energy produced in Texas comes from lignite coal

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## **Our community**

Caring for our neighbors, who are also our customers, is important to us. That's because we not only work, but also live, in the rural areas in which we operate and serve. Our employees volunteer their time to the causes they care about the most and work hard to make a difference. One of the ways we serve the community is by giving our time to local organizations, such as The South Texas Ramp Project, Wounded Warrior Project, Court Appointed Special Advocates, volunteer fire departments and many more.

We also give where there is a need, making financial contributions to charitable organizations that are located within Atascosa and McMullen Counties.

### **Our commitment**

San Miguel's commitment to the environment and to the communities in which we operate runs deep. We have spent hundreds of millions of dollars on environmental controls since our power plant opened in 1982. Our industry is one of the country's most scrutinized, yet San Miguel Electric Cooperative continues to thrive because of our pledge to minimize the impact on the environment.

Federal and state regulations require us to restore areas disturbed by our operations. We regularly meet and exceed many of these requirements on our reclaimed properties and have been recognized by local and regional organizations for our efforts. We take pride in our environmental specialists, who are highly educated experts well-versed on the regulations and the science behind mining and power generation. They constantly review and improve our operations, with the goal of protecting the environment and providing value for landowners, as well as serving as a model for conscientious environmental leadership.

## **Our impact**

We contribute in many ways to the local, regional and state economies. We provide jobs to more than 350 people, which is more than \$39 million in payroll annually, at our mining and power facilities and contract with dozens of contractors. Indirectly, we support another 1,420 regional jobs. In turn, the people in those jobs support rural communities that need help the most.

In terms of taxes, we contribute approximately \$1.3 million a year in local taxes, with an additional \$5.8 million in payroll taxes. Over the last 30 years, we have added more than \$109 million in property, school and county taxes to local economies. The power plant and mine support numerous other businesses, further enhancing the state and local tax base.

#### **About Us**

San Miguel Electric Cooperative, Inc. is a member-owned mining and power generation cooperative. Our mission is to provide safe, reliable and affordable power through diligent resource management, environmental stewardship and employee growth, while helping to meet needs within the communities we serve.

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