

# PowerPoints

News & Information for Residential Customers

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## Mini-bonds for sale in April

Santee Cooper is selling tax-free Santee Cooper Mini-Bonds April 1-30.

For as little as \$500, you can invest in a 2010 Series M1 Current Interest Bearing Bond. For only \$200, you can invest in a 2010 Series M1 Capital Appreciation Bond. Whichever you choose, the interest earned on these Mini-Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal and South Carolina income tax purposes under current law.

For more information, go to [www.scm minibonds.com](http://www.scm minibonds.com), email us at [scbonds@santeecooper.com](mailto:scbonds@santeecooper.com) or call toll-free 1-877-246-3338.

*The Mini-Bonds are available to South Carolina residents, Santee Cooper customers, members of the South Carolina electric cooperatives and electric customers of the Bamberg Board of Public Works and the City of Georgetown, South Carolina, upon the terms and conditions of the Official Statement. This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sales of the Bonds without delivery of the Official Statement relating to the Bonds. Persons in Nebraska, North Dakota and Ohio are not eligible to participate unless they are residents of South Carolina.*

## Darlington, MayFest go Green

On May 7-8, the Darlington 200/Southern 500 weekend at Darlington Raceway will become a NASCAR "green" event.

The track "Too Tough To Tame" has teamed up with Santee Cooper and Pee Dee Electric Cooperative to run the event on 100 percent Santee Cooper Green Power produced from clean renewable energy sources generated right here in South Carolina. Santee Cooper customers can save some green, too, with a special \$59 package that includes one Southern 500 ticket, one Darlington 200 ticket, one hot dog and a Coke – a \$93 value. Call 843-395-8802 or go to [www.darlingtonraceway.com/SaveSomeGreen](http://www.darlingtonraceway.com/SaveSomeGreen) for details.

In addition, the City of North Myrtle Beach is partnering with Santee Cooper to make its upcoming Mayfest on Main powered by 100 percent Santee Cooper Green Power. Mayfest on Main is scheduled for May 8, and details are available at <http://parks.nmb.us/parks/home.aspx>.

You can make your event a green one, too! Contact a Santee Cooper Energy Advisor at 843-347-3399 ext. 3066.

## Join our e-mail list

Want a different way to receive up-to-date information from Santee Cooper? Join our e-mail list. Simply go to [www.santeecooper.com/opt-in](http://www.santeecooper.com/opt-in) and register to receive the most current company news on everything from approaching storm alerts to energy saving tips – and give us your feedback. It's another way we want to meet your needs.

"Highest Customer Satisfaction Among  
Midsize Utilities In The South"



Santee Cooper received the highest numerical score among midsize utilities in the South region in the proprietary J.D. Power and Associates 2009 Electric Utility residential customers Satisfaction Study<sup>SM</sup>. Study based on 79,552 online interviews ranking 27 providers in the South (AL, AR, FL, GA, LA, MS, NM, NC, OK, SC, TN, TX, VA). Proprietary study results are based on experiences and perceptions of consumers surveyed in July 2008-May 2009. Your experiences may vary. Visit [jdpower.com](http://jdpower.com).

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# SC Appliance rebates

*Reduce The Use, save even more*

In addition to the rebates Santee Cooper offers for ENERGY STAR<sup>®</sup> refrigerators and to recycle old ones, now customers can pursue new South Carolina Energy Office rebates for refrigerators, heat pumps and other energy efficient appliances. The statewide Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate program offers all residents rebates of \$50 to \$500, depending on the ENERGY STAR appliance being purchased.

The Energy Office offer uses federal stimulus money and is first-come, first-served, so act quickly. Details are available at [www.appliancerebates.sc.gov](http://www.appliancerebates.sc.gov). Details on Santee Cooper's Refrigerator Rebate Program are available at [www.ReduceTheUse.com](http://www.ReduceTheUse.com).



## GOFER program is 20 years old

Happy birthday GOFER! From its humble beginnings as an Earth Day observance in 1990, Santee Cooper's GOFER program has collected more than 25 million gallons of used oil.

Santee Cooper safely converts this oil into electric power. In fact, there is enough energy in two gallons of used oil to power the average home in South Carolina for one day.

GOFER is South Carolina's largest effort in the collection of used motor oil, with approximately 600 collection sites statewide. GOFER partners with county recycling programs, electric cooperatives, the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control and others to promote a convenient and environmentally responsible method of recovering used oil for energy.



## Smart Energy Loans save energy long-term

Santee Cooper loaned customers \$4.7 million in 2009 to help you Reduce The Use through energy-efficient home improvements. Smart Energy Loans are available to eligible customers looking to do anything from adding insulation to installing solar panels – and they're a great way to stretch your tax refund for long-term savings.

Eligible customers can qualify for energy efficient improvement loans ranging from \$500 to \$20,000 for most improvements and up to \$40,000 for renewable energy investments such as solar panels, and you can repay the loans through your monthly electric bills.

Maximum borrowing limits per customer apply; details on these and other loan provisions, as well as instructions for applying, are all available at the Smart Energy Homes link at [www.ReduceTheUse.com](http://www.ReduceTheUse.com).

