# Safety Policy #: BP 17

# Rappahannock Electric Cooperative

#### 1. Purpose

To establish basic guidelines for the safety of Rappahannock Electric Cooperative ("REC") employees, members, and the public and to authorize the President & Chief Executive Officer to implement and enforce safe working practices.

#### 2. Scope

This policy applies to all operations undertaken by REC and its employees.

# 3. Policy Statement and Implementation

- 3.1. It is the policy of REC to conduct all of its business and operations in a safe and efficient manner.
- 3.2. The safety objectives of REC are intended to provide a safe and productive environment for its employees, its members, and the general public.
- 3.3. The President & Chief Executive Officer shall establish a comprehensive and effective Safety Program for all employees generally as follows:
  - 3.3.1. The Safety Program shall be conducted in compliance with all applicable regulating authorities and company policies.
  - 3.3.2. The Safety Program shall be conducted so as to maintain full accreditation with the NRECA.
  - 3.3.3. A Safety Team consisting of representatives from all staff levels shall be established to advise on safety related matters.
- 3.4. The Cooperative may participate in the Safety and Job Training Program as provided through the VMDAEC to the extent feasible.
- 3.5. The Cooperative shall make available Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and First Aid Training for employees.
- 3.6. A Safety Manual shall be compiled and kept up to date with all applicable safety rules that meet or exceed appropriate federal and state regulations. Each employee shall be furnished a copy of the Manual.
- 3.7. Violations of any safety policy or rule may be cause for disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment.

#### 4. Responsibilities

The President & Chief Executive Officer is responsible for the implementation of this policy.

# 5. Confidentiality

This policy may be treated as public and may be made available on REC's website or other communication channels.

# 6. Definitions

Board: The Board of Directors for Rappahannock Electric Cooperative

NRECA: National Rural Electric Cooperative Association

VMDAEC: Virginia-Maryland-Delaware Association of Electric Cooperatives

# **References and Related Documents:**

**REC Employee Safety Manual** 

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Superseding Effect	This Policy supersedes all previous policies and memoranda concerning the subject matter. Only the Approver may authorize exceptions to this Policy.