

2024 ANNUAL REPORT



SUPPORT | ADVOCATE | EDUCATE



EDUCATE

The word “educate” speaks directly to the purpose of South Kentucky RECC and our mission to empower, inform and support our members.

At South Kentucky RECC, our mission extends beyond delivering safe and reliable electricity to homes and businesses as cost-effectively as possible. We are accountable to our members and take special care to educate them, and the general public, about how energy use impacts the community.

As the energy landscape evolves, this role is more important than ever. Through ongoing communication, we provide clear, relevant and accessible information, whether in the classroom, through community forums, www.skrecc.com or *Kentucky Living*.

COOPERATIVE PRINCIPLES

Our efforts are guided by the Seven Cooperative Principles, notably the fifth principle: “Education, Training and Information.” We keep members informed on energy issues and educate our workforce to maintain a skilled and courteous team.

Through our participation in a number of local organizations, our employees foster strong community connections.

INNOVATING FOR THE FUTURE

Our commitment to education extends to our own learning, as we seek energy solutions that will serve our members. We continuously invest in staying informed about the latest technologies and sustainable practices to ensure we meet the evolving needs of the communities we serve.

Advanced metering infrastructure: This technology lets members monitor their energy use in real-time with the SmartHub app or www.skrecc.com. These meters provide precise usage data, helping members make informed decisions about energy conservation.

Automated outage verification: Our AMI system enables us to verify outages immediately and pinpoint affected areas. This reduces response times and improves service reliability.

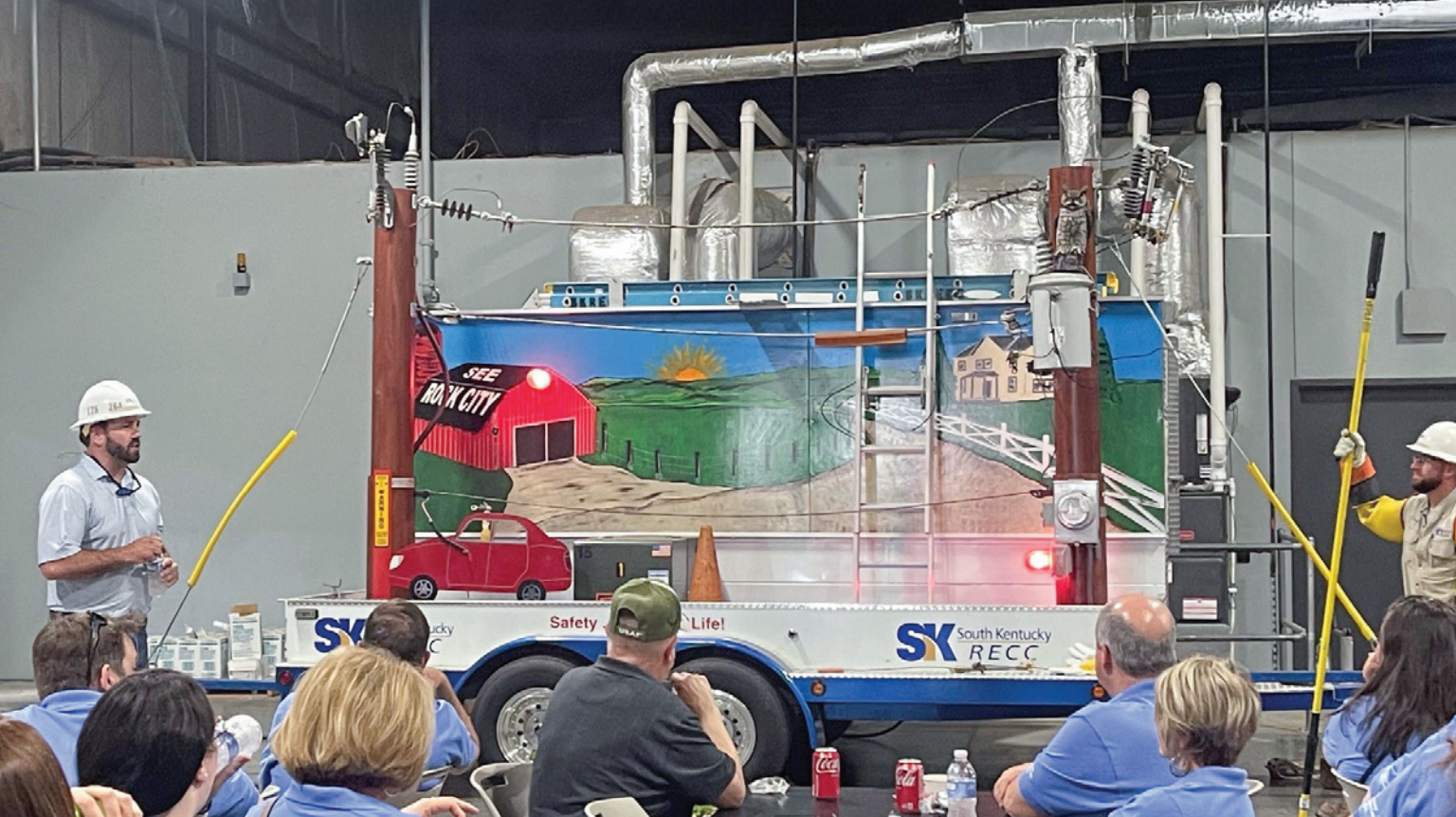
Renewable energy initiatives: South Kentucky RECC has the information

Above, SKRECC’s 24/7 dispatch center is crucial for monitoring outages in real time, ensuring swift response and restoration of services. This dedicated operation plays a pivotal role in maintaining a reliable electricity supply across our service area.

Above right, SKRECC Director of Safety and Facilities Eric Chumbley and Regional Construction Manager Jeremy Rayborn lead a safety demonstration for a group of local leaders. Photos: Morghan Blevins

SKRECC member service reps provide helpful information, empowering our members to make confident, informed decisions about their electric service. Photo: Justin Mayfield

On the cover: South Kentucky RECC’s team is here for our members, standing strong in our commitment to serve with excellence. Every employee plays a vital role in delivering reliable service and supporting the communities we proudly call home. Photo: Justin Mayfield



members need to know before purchasing and installing solar panels on a home or business. We lay out the facts and educate members so they can make informed decisions. Through our partnership with East Kentucky Power Cooperative, we also offer members participation in Cooperative Solar without needing to install panels on their properties. Members can subscribe to solar shares and receive credits on their bills based on the energy generated.

ELECTRIC SAFETY AND EDUCATION

Through comprehensive and continuous education, our lineworkers develop a deep understanding of the risks and safety standards of high-voltage work. South Kentucky RECC partners with our statewide co-op association, Kentucky Electric Cooperatives, to convey the competency standards required for professional certification and the protocols needed to respond to emergencies effectively. This safety culture extends to our education of co-op members to be aware of their surroundings, identify risks and make smart choices.

South Kentucky RECC performs safety programs at the request of local schools and organizations. Our skilled line technicians use a variety of live-line simulations to demonstrate the dangers of electricity and share tips on how to stay safe.

This commitment to safety is amplified when we respond to outages. While our crews focus on restoring power as quickly as possible, we remind members of



electric safety, including staying away from downed lines and proper generator use.

MUTUAL AID

When disaster strikes, co-ops quickly deploy staff and equipment to emergency and recovery zones to help sister co-ops.

After the remnants of Hurricane Helene knocked out power to more than 100,000 people in Kentucky, South Kentucky RECC first restored service to our own members, then sent crews to our sister co-ops both here in Kentucky and in North Carolina.

Because the national network of transmission and distribution infrastructure owned by electric cooperatives was built to federal standards, line crews from any co-op in America can arrive on the scene ready to provide support.

EDUCATING MEMBERS AND POLICYMAKERS

We're dedicated to delivering factual, transparent information to members, policymakers and the community. False narratives about energy reliability and pricing can lead to confusion and decisions that don't serve our members' best interests. We are proactive in sharing accurate information in *Kentucky Living*, on www.skrecc.com and through social media.

Our team engages with legislators, providing a grounded understanding of co-op operations and the unique needs of our members. We ensure policymakers understand how energy policy affects reliability, affordability and accessibility. This year, South Kentucky RECC joined meetings with lawmakers from Washington, D.C., Frankfort and other offices, advocating for policies aligned with members' best interests.

RESILIENT AND RELIABLE

An informed community is a resilient one. This year, we emphasized the importance of reliability and infrastructure investments by communicating the steps we take to ensure uninterrupted service.

To keep costs as low as possible, we balance essential infrastructure updates with sound resource planning. With the challenges of inflation and federal regulations affecting generation costs, we remain focused on maintaining an affordable rate structure for members.

CO-OP FINANCIAL HEALTH

Financial health and transparency are foundational to our mission. We share detailed financial reports each year, inviting members to review them and reach out with questions. Through open communication about operations, finances and cooperative governance, we maintain our members' trust and confidence.

EDUCATION IS A PRIORITY

As we look to the future, our commitment to educate, empower and serve our members grows even stronger. We pledge to continue providing accurate, transparent information and building an engaged, informed community. Together, we will power a bright future for South Kentucky RECC and those we serve. Thank you for your support and participation.

SKRECC lineworkers work tirelessly to keep the power flowing. Photo: Mike Ramsey

From front left, Directors Brent Tackett, Cathy Crew Epperson and Boris Haynes. From back left, Tommy Nelson, President & CEO Kevin Newton, William Allen, Greg Redmon and CV Hansford. Photo: Tommy Wilson Photography

Following Hurricane Helene, SKRECC mutual aid crews traveled to North Carolina to assist with power restoration and recovery efforts. We're incredibly grateful to our dedicated team for always answering the call and demonstrating the true spirit of cooperation. Photos: Morgan Blevins





MORGHAN BLEVINS



ALAN COFFEY

South Kentucky RECC is proud to engage with local schools and students, providing educational opportunities and hands-on experiences about energy, safety and community involvement. We're committed to supporting the next generation of leaders and innovators.



SKRECC STAFF



ALAN COFFEY

2024 South Kentucky RECC YEAR IN REVIEW

ACTIVE ACCOUNTS

As of December 31, 2024

Adair.....	661
Casey.....	1,861
Clinton.....	6,764
Cumberland.....	20
Laurel.....	4
Lincoln.....	1,280
McCreary.....	6,307
Pulaski.....	30,103
Rockcastle.....	78
Russell.....	11,159
Wayne.....	13,141
Pickett, TN.....	169
Scott, TN.....	21
Total.....	71,568

ACCOUNTS BILLED

2014.....	66,404
2024.....	71,568

AVERAGE KWH USAGE

(residential per month)

2014.....	1,148
2024.....	1,010

MILES OF LINE

2014.....	6,787
2024.....	7,143

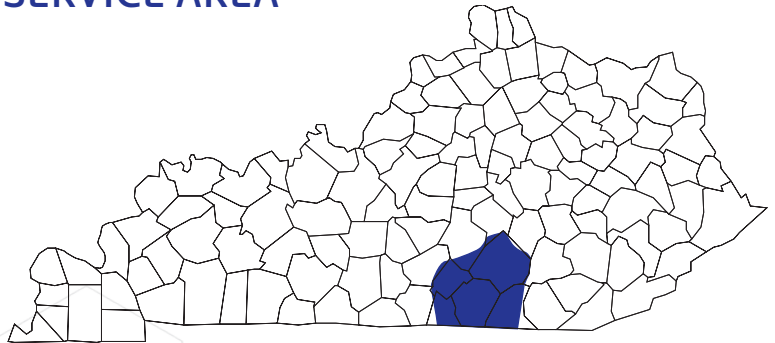
CONSUMERS PER MILE

2014.....	9.78
2024.....	10.02

FOR INFORMATION AND INQUIRIES

200 Electric Avenue
Somerset, KY 42501
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www.skrecc.com

SERVICE AREA



WHERE DO YOU FIND VALUE?

Did you know the average daily
cost of electricity is \$4.57, or
about \$140 per month?

Electricity fuels our daily life essentials, from heating/
cooling equipment to entertainment devices and
appliances. Think of how vital power is compared to
other everyday purchases. **That's real value.**



**Morning
To-Go Latte**



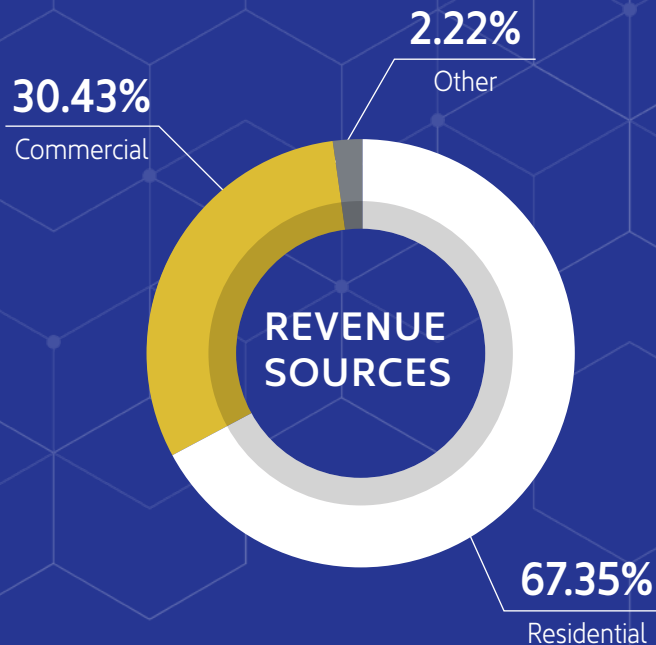
**Fast-Food
Combo Lunch**



**All-Day
Power**

Sources: Energy Information Administration, MoneyGeek and CNET

FINANCIALS



STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

As of December 31, 2024

Operating Revenue.....\$153,924,771

COST OF ELECTRIC SERVICE

Cost of Electricity Purchased from
East Kentucky Power.....\$111,139,692

Cost of Operating the Distribution
System30,865,410

Depreciation Expense10,837,044

Interest Expense on Loans5,533,060

Public Service Commission Assessment.....148,297

Other Deductions27,869

Total Cost of Electric Service.....\$158,551,372

Gross Margins from Electric Service.....(4,626,601)

Non-Operating Income2,617,593

Net Margins (Deficit)(2,009,008)

BALANCE SHEET

As of December 31, 2024

ASSETS

Total Poles, Wires and
Other Equipment.....\$338,910,033

Less Accumulated Depreciation.....111,901,181

Net Value of Poles, Wires and
Other Equipment.....227,008,852

Investments in Associated
Organizations.....95,311,480

Cash and Equivalents12,183,652

Accounts and Notes Receivables6,764,659

Material in Inventory2,555,383

Prepaid Expenses684,396

Other Assets10,555,636

Total Assets\$355,064,058

LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY

Consumer Deposits2,874,346

Members and Other Equities167,200,927

Long-Term Notes Payable151,485,126

Notes and Accounts Payable
Owed to Vendors22,351,651

Other Liabilities11,152,008

Total Liabilities and Members' Equity\$355,064,058

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DAYS AND VEHICLE GIVEAWAY

South Kentucky RECC Annual Membership Days

June 10, 2025

Wayne and
Clinton
county offices

June 11, 2025

McCreary
and Russell
county offices

June 12, 2025

Somerset office

7:30 a.m.–6 p.m.

**ALL TIMES ARE
LOCAL**



JUSTIN MAYFIELD

South Kentucky RECC will host Annual Membership Days on June 10, 11 and 12 at its offices from 7:30 a.m. until 6 p.m. local time.

On June 10, members can visit the drive-thrus at Wayne and Clinton county offices; on June 11, members can visit drive-thrus at the Russell and McCreary county offices; and the event will wrap up on June 12 when members can drive-thru in Somerset at the headquarters. Office lobbies and drive-thrus will be closed to business transactions in that office the day of the event with the exception of the Somerset drive-thru. It will remain open. Members can still conduct business by telephone.

Members will be able to register only once. When members register, they will receive a bucket and two LED lightbulbs. Their name will be entered into a drawing at each office for several door prizes. Members will also be entered into a drawing for a 2003 Chevrolet Trailblazer. The winner of the Trailblazer will be announced on the evening of Thursday, June 12.

**MEMBERS, PLEASE BRING
YOUR BILL TO ASSIST
WITH REGISTRATION**



MORGHAN BLEVINS



JUSTIN MAYFIELD



WADE HARRIS



MORGHAN BLEVINS

SOUTH KENTUCKY RECC ENHANCES VOTING CONVENIENCE WITH ONLINE AND DRIVE-THRU OPTIONS

Options to vote include early online voting and in-person voting via drive-thru at annual membership days

For the second consecutive year, South Kentucky RECC is offering a streamlined and convenient voting process for its members during the 2025 director election.

Emphasizing the cooperative principles of democratic member control and participation, SKRECC continues to provide members with a choice in how they cast their ballots for the director seat in District 1. This process allows members to engage in shaping the future direction of the co-op from the comfort of their own homes or through an easy, in-person option at the co-op's annual membership days.

Members may choose one of two convenient ways to cast their ballots in the director election: either online through their SKRECC SmartHub account or in person via a drive-thru method at the co-op's annual membership days in June. Members may only cast one ballot in the election using either of these voting options.

VOTE ONLINE USING SMARTHUB

With the introduction of online voting, members may cast their ballots with just a few clicks by using their SKRECC SmartHub account. To access the online ballot, members must log-in to their SKRECC SmartHub account via computer or SmartHub app on their smart device, click on the VOTE NOW button and follow the instructions to finish casting their ballot. Online voting begins at midnight Friday, May 23, and ends Friday, June 6, at midnight. Any member who wishes to vote online but who has not created a Smarthub account can do so easily by going to <https://skrecc.smarthub.coop/> and clicking on REGISTER NOW.

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A Touchstone Energy Cooperative
South Kentucky RECC District 1 Director Elections

To cast a vote:

- Check the box next to your selection.
- To change your vote, click the box again and the mark will be removed.
- To review your selection, click the "Go to Ballot Confirmation" button.

District 1 (Pulaski County)
Select 1 from below.

<input type="checkbox"/> Cathy Crew Epperson	View Bio
<input type="checkbox"/> Rick Barker	View Bio
<input type="checkbox"/> Decline	

[Go to Ballot Confirmation](#)

[Contact technical assistance.](#)

[Logout](#)

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VOTE IN-PERSON AT ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DAYS

Members may choose to cast their ballot in person at the co-op's annual membership days in June. Members will register at the event and once membership is confirmed, the member will securely cast his or her ballot electronically. In-person voting will occur during South Kentucky RECC's annual membership days held at its five district offices June 10–12, 2025. The schedule is as follows: Wayne and Clinton county offices on June 10; Russell and McCreary county offices on June 11; and Somerset headquarters on June 12. Voting times are 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day, local time.

By offering both online and drive-thru voting options, South Kentucky RECC is making it easier than ever for members to exercise their right to vote in director elections. This dual approach accommodates varying preferences and circumstances, ensuring that every member has a voice in selecting the leadership of the cooperative.

SEE THE NEXT PAGE FOR DIRECTOR CANDIDATE BIOS.

DISTRICT 1 CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHIES (PULASKI COUNTY)

CATHY CREW EPPERSON

Cathy Crew Epperson, a Russell County native, has lived in Pulaski County for 48 years. She holds a Master of Science degree from the University of Kentucky and works as an IPS Supported Employment Fidelity Reviewer for the University of Kentucky Human Development Institute. Currently, Cathy serves as Chairperson of the South KY RECC Board. Cathy is dedicated to community service. She is married to Greg Epperson and has three children and three grandchildren.



TOMMY WILSON PHOTOGRAPHY

RICK BARKER

Rick Barker of Nancy, Ky has been a member of SKRECC for 50 years. Rick is currently the Owner of Godby Realty & Auction in Somerset and the Owner of The Rex Restaurant in Nancy, Ky. Rick retired from Pulaski County Government with 35 years of service as the Jailer and 9-1-1 Center Director. Rick is a member of Oak Hill Baptist Church. Rick has one son David, and his trusted dog Rex.



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Disclaimer: The biographies are submitted by the respective candidates. South Kentucky RECC does not manage or alter the content provided by the candidates. The views and information expressed in these biographies are solely those of the individuals and do not necessarily reflect the views or policies of South Kentucky RECC.

FOR MORE COMPREHENSIVE BIOGRAPHIES OF THE CANDIDATES, VISIT WWW.SKRECC.COM

Member Services

Our Member Services team is here to help you with all your needs, from billing questions to account support. We're dedicated to providing friendly, reliable

service to ensure you have a seamless experience with your electric co-op. Your satisfaction is our priority!



PHOTOS: JUSTIN MAYFIELD

Employee education and safety training

Prioritizing growth and well-being at South Kentucky RECC

At South Kentucky RECC, we understand that our employees are the foundation of our success. As a cooperative, we are committed to providing our team with the best education and training opportunities to ensure they are equipped to serve our members efficiently and safely. Throughout the year, we invest in professional development programs that empower our employees to grow in their roles, stay up to date with industry standards and maintain the highest level of expertise.

Employee education at South Kentucky RECC extends beyond technical skills. We focus on a well-rounded approach that includes leadership development, member services and teamwork. By offering specialized workshops, seminars and online courses, we foster a culture of continuous learning and improvement. These programs not only enhance our employees' professional capabilities but also contribute to their personal growth, helping to build a more skilled and motivated workforce.

Safety is a top priority at South Kentucky RECC. The safety and well-being of our employees are essential to ensuring the reliable delivery of services to our members. To this end, we have implemented comprehensive safety training programs that cover everything from electrical hazard awareness to first aid and emergency response procedures.

We also prioritize hands-on, real-world training to ensure that safety protocols are deeply ingrained in everyday operations. Our field teams receive rigorous on-site training, including simulations of real-life scenarios, so they can respond quickly and effectively to emergencies. Regular safety audits and ongoing evaluations help us maintain high standards and continuously improve our safety practices, ensuring that our employees are always prepared to protect themselves and the community.

At South Kentucky RECC, education and safety training are more than just requirements—they are part of our commitment to excellence. By investing in our employees, we not only enhance their skills and safety but also strengthen our ability to provide the best possible service to our members. Through ongoing learning and training, we ensure that our workforce is always ready to meet the challenges of tomorrow.

Our team is committed to safety every step of the way. Shown is a safety session, in which employees actively learn and practice important safety protocols. We're dedicated to ensuring a safe work environment for everyone, every day. Photos: Morghan Blevins





Board of Directors

Cathy Crew Epperson, Chairperson
Brent Tackett, Vice Chairman
Boris Haynes, Secretary/Treasurer
William Allen, Jr.
CV Hansford
Tommy Nelson, Jr.
Greg Redmon

President & CEO

Kevin Newton

Communications Administrator

Morgan Blevins

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Wayne County
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Visit www.skrecc.applicantpro.com/jobs/ to explore exciting career opportunities with the South Kentucky RECC Team.

South Kentucky RECC is an equal opportunity employer and provider.

Visit www.skrecc.com to pay your bill online, to visit our outage center, or for more information about the Co-op Connections Program.

To report an outage 24/7/365, please call your local office, (800) 264-5112, or set up your account to be able to text outages. Please do not report outages via social media.

Plug into South Kentucky RECC. Follow us on social media:



UPGRADE

your space safely

When planning home improvement projects, do you know when to DIY and when to hire a professional?

Use ground fault circuit interrupters, or GFCIs, with power tools to protect against electrical shock. Use caution when cutting or drilling into walls where electrical wires or water pipes could be.

If your home improvement includes additional outlets, make sure your electrical panel and service can handle the added load.

Call 811 several days in advance if digging is part of the project so the underground utilities can be marked.



REMEMBER AND HONOR

South Kentucky RECC offices and drive-thrus will be closed Monday, May 26, in observance of Memorial Day.

In case of emergency or to report an outage, please call (800) 264-5112 for dispatch.