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Annual Meeting, Nomination, Voting, and Election Committee Information

BUECI Member-Owners:

Due to the continued COVID-19 pandemic and after careful consideration, the BUECI Board of Directors has decided not to meet in person for the 2021 Annual Membership Meeting for the safety of our members and employees.

This notice further explains how BUECI's Annual Meeting will be held for 2021 through a combination of nominations/voting by mail and a virtual meeting on May 6, 2021, at 6 p.m. The details are outlined below in roughly the order in which they would take place.

Nomination for Directors

Nominations for Directors will be conducted by mail and e-mail. A nomination request form and instructions are enclosed, along with a self-addressed, stamped envelope. *Completed nominations must be received by March 15, 2021, at 5 p.m.* Nominations received after this date will not be considered. Nominations may also be submitted via email to nominations@bueci.org.

BUECI staff will verify that nominations are made by an active member and that nominees meet the requirements as stated in the BUECI Bylaws. Staff will maintain a running list of nominees on BUECI's website (bueci.org).

All nominees who meet the qualifications set forth in the Bylaws to serve as a director will have their names placed on the ballot. Any questions regarding eligibility to be nominated will be resolved by the Board of Directors at its regular Board Meeting on March 23, 2021.

Voting for Directors and on Propositions

Anyone who is a member of record as of March 23, 2021, may cast a ballot. Only one ballot may be cast per membership.

Ballots and instructions will be mailed to all members in the Annual Meeting Packet mailed to the membership the week of March 29, 2021. *Ballots must be returned no later than April 30, 2021, at 10 a.m.* Ballots received after this date will not be considered.

BUECI staff will verify signatures match the original membership agreement signature. This will help ensure that the member of record casts the vote. Proxy voting is not allowed by state law.

Member Comments

Instructions for submitting comments will be included with the Annual Meeting Packet mailed out the week of March 29, 2021. We will read and respond to as many member comments as possible in the virtual Annual Meeting.

Virtual Annual Meeting

While we will not have an in-person gathering, we still have important information to share, especially the results of the election of directors and voting on propositions to amend the bylaws. A Virtual Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 6, 2021, at 6 p.m. Additional information about how to participate the Virtual Annual Meeting will be provided to you in March.

Election Committee

BUECI's Election Committee is made up of three to six volunteer members from the community who will open and count the ballots and certify the election results. The Cooperative Attorney will advise the Election Committee. The results of voting will be announced during the Virtual Annual Meeting on May 6, 2021, as well as on the Cooperative's website and Facebook page.

Door Prizes

All active members who return a ballot timely will be entered into a drawing for door prizes. Door prize winners will be posted at bucci.org and on the Cooperative's Facebook page. Staff will contact winners to arrange for pick-up of items the week of May 10, 2021. Door prizes will have to be picked up and cannot be mailed.

See additional information at http://www.bueci.org/annual-meeting/.

Thank you in advance to all our members for working together to keep our community safe. We look forward to meeting in person again in the future.

Sincerely,

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BUECI Board President

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