

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

(As amended to August 2018)

We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, hereby associate ourselves into an incorporated cooperative association under the provisions of Chapter 499 of the Code of Iowa, assuming all of the powers, rights and privileges granted to, and all the duties and obligations imposed upon, incorporated cooperative associations by said chapter, and for such purposes do adopt the following articles of incorporation:

ARTICLE I ▪ Name

The name of the Cooperative shall be Access Energy Cooperative.

ARTICLE II ▪ Place of Business

The principal office and place of business of this Cooperative shall be located at Mt. Pleasant, County of Henry, State of Iowa.

ARTICLE III ▪ Type of Cooperative

This Cooperative is organized under the provisions of Chapter 499 of the Code of Iowa.

ARTICLE IV ▪ Purposes, Powers

The purposes for which this Cooperative is formed are:

1. To generate, manufacture, purchase, and acquire and accumulate electric energy for its members and to transmit, distribute, furnish, sell and dispose of such electric energy to its members; and to construct, erect, purchase, lease as lessee, and in any manner acquire, own, hold, maintain, operate, sell, dispose of, lease as lessor, exchange and mortgage plants, buildings, works, machinery, supplies, apparatus, equipment and electric transmission and distribution lines or systems necessary, convenient or useful for carrying out and accomplishing any or all of the foregoing purposes.
2. To acquire, own, hold, use, exercise and, to the extent permitted by law, to sell, mortgage, pledge hypothecate and in any manner dispose of franchises, rights, privileges, licenses, rights of way and easements necessary, useful or appropriate to accomplish any or all of the purposes of this Cooperative;
3. To purchase, receive, lease as lessee, or in any other