

## **PROFILE OF SWPA POWER *And Its Impact On Arkansas***

**Almost 1 million Arkansans** enjoy the benefits of clean, renewable and efficient hydropower generated at Corps of Engineers multipurpose reservoirs and marketed by the Southwestern Power Administration. SWPA power distributed to businesses and industry also supports **almost 77,000 jobs** in the state with a payroll of **almost \$1.1 billion annually**. SWPA also employs **24 Arkansans** at its maintenance center in **Jonesboro**.

The power marketed by SWPA is generated at 24 Corps dams in the region, including nine in Arkansas: Beaver, Blakely Mountain (Lake Ouachita), Bull Shoals, Dardanelle, DeGray, Greers Ferry, Narrows (Lake Greeson), Norfolk and Ozark. In 2001, these nine dams generated **1,706 million kWh** of electricity, or almost 37 percent of the energy generated by SWPA's system. SWPA customers, through their electric rates, will repay 50 percent of the entire cost of constructing these nine lakes — **more than \$374 million** — *plus interest!*

SWPA power is distributed in the state by the following consumer-owned, not-for-profit electric systems:

- **Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corp.**, Little Rock
- **Arkansas Valley Electric Cooperative Corp.**, Ozark
- **Ashley-Chicot Electric Cooperative, Inc.**, Hamburg
- **City of Augusta**
- **City of Bentonville**
- **C&L Electric Cooperative Corp.**, Star City
- **Carroll Electric Cooperative Corp.**, Berryville
- **Clarksville Light & Water Co.**
- **Clay County Electric Cooperative Corp.**, Corning
- **Craighead Electric Cooperative Corp.**, Jonesboro
- **First Electric Cooperative Corp.**, Jacksonville
- **Jonesboro City Water & Light**
- **Mississippi County Electric Cooperative**, Blytheville
- **North Arkansas Electric Cooperative, Inc.**, Salem
- **Oauchita Electric Cooperative Corp.**, Camden
- **Ozarks Electric Cooperative Corp.**, Fayetteville
- **Paragould City Light & Water**
- **City of Paris**
- **Petit Jean Electric Cooperative**, Clinton
- **Piggott Municipal Light, Water & Sewer**
- **Rich Mountain Electric Cooperative, Inc.**, Mena
- **South Central Arkansas Electric Cooperative**, Arkadelphia
- **Southwest Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corp.**, Texarkana
- **Woodruff Electric Cooperative Corp.**, Forrest City

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