



### Are your veggies marinated?

Dedicated foodies make marinated foods seem like foods transformed into mystical treats via marinating. These marinated veggies are nothing complicated, don't have an extensive ingredient list, and aren't labor intensive. Marinated veggies are served chilled, as you would a pasta salad, but without the carbs in the pasta, so they're also great for those health-conscious.

In a pinch, marinated veggies could be made at the last minute, but are much better after being chilled for several hours. Anything that doesn't create a last-minute rush is a big plus as far as I'm concerned.

I don't remember where I first got this recipe, but it has been a family favorite for more than 25 years. They've been to almost as many family get-togethers as we have. Mom used to make them in a gallon jar, but I make much smaller batches. You can vary the veggies you use, and it's still so simple. They'll always be a big hit.

Olive oil is a healthy staple at our house, but this is one recipe that is better with vegetable oil, such as Wesson or Crisco. Vegetable oil does refrigerate better than olive oil. Even with these oils, these are a very healthy addition to any meal.

#### MARINATED VEGGIES

- 1 can French-style green beans
- 1 can baby lima beans
- 1 can sweet peas, or peas and carrots
- 1 can sweet corn
- 1 thinly sliced carrot, if desired
- ½ cup sugar
- ½ cup vegetable oil
- ¼ cup apple cider vinegar



Drain all vegetables, and put in a large bowl. Add the sugar, oil and vinegar; stir together. Chill several hours or overnight, and serve chilled.

Note: You will want to serve these with a slotted spoon, as the vinegar and oil don't thicken.

## mark **YOUR** calendar

- July 4** Offices Closed - Independence Day
- Sept. 5** Offices Closed - Labor Day
- Sept. 16** Member Appreciation Day

### Lightning can strike up to 10 miles away from rain...

If you hear thunder, lightning is close enough to pose an immediate threat. That is why the National Weather Service advises:

**"When Thunder Roars, Go Indoors!"**

**70% of Lightning Fatalities occur June through August**



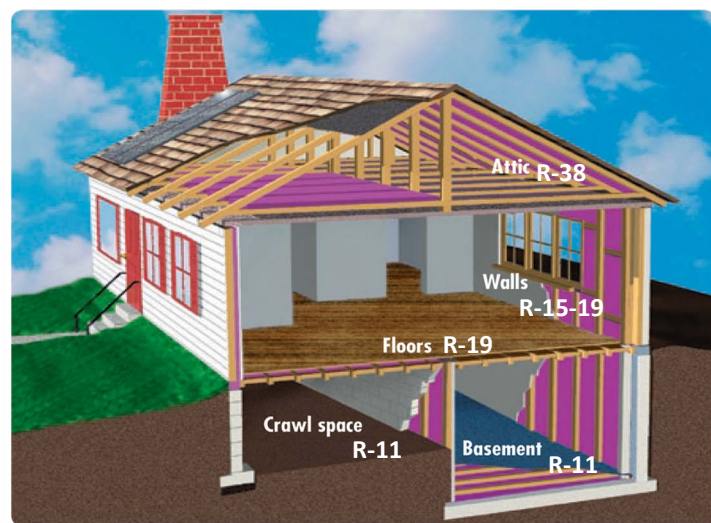
## ALWAYS CALL BEFORE YOU DIG



One free, easy call gets your utility lines marked AND helps protect you from injury and expense.

**Safe Digging Is No Accident: Always Call 811 Before You Dig**

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#### Where to Insulate

Adding insulation in the areas shown above may be the best way to improve your home's energy efficiency. Insulate either the attic floor or under the roof. Check with a contractor about crawl space or basement insulation.

# The FOCUS

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Your Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

## Monthly Newsletter for Kenergy Members

### Get outage updates through Twitter, Facebook

*Don't wait until a crisis; become a fan now*

As part of your preparedness plan, think about becoming a fan of Kenergy's Facebook and Twitter sites.

During severe outages, Kenergy posts updates on Facebook and Twitter. They often prove valuable when members want to stay current on co-op offerings, such as the Co-op Connections Card or rebates on appliances.

Following the co-op on Facebook and Twitter provides alerts and updates on larger outages. Better yet, you don't need to be around a computer to receive those messages. They come via smart phones.

Kenergy also implemented another communication tool to help you learn more when outages strike. On the co-op's Web site – [www.kenergycorp.com](http://www.kenergycorp.com) – click on the Outage Information/Map button above the Twitter widget.

Kenergy's outage map is available around the clock. It refreshes every minute, so it offers real-time information. Outage map information includes the number of homes or businesses involved in the outage, the time the outage started, the location of the outage, whether a crew has been assigned or is on site, and when the outage will end.

Your co-op wants to provide increased value for your membership. Providing information during outages is important. It's one more way Kenergy proves that membership matters!



*Kenergy member uses recycled shipping containers to build home. Story inside...*

## Annual Report

### STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009

	2010	2009
Electric Revenue	\$399,472,903	\$348,382,526
Miscellaneous	1,576,152	1,400,340
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE</b>	<b>\$401,049,055</b>	<b>\$349,782,866</b>
Cost of Purchased Power	\$360,860,154	\$313,964,053
Distribution Plant Expense	13,578,167	12,507,860
Customer Accounting & Collecting Expense	3,375,120	3,049,582
Customer Service & Information Expense	262,422	271,430
General Office, Administrative & General Expense	3,243,504	3,071,248
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$381,319,367</b>	<b>\$332,864,173</b>
Depreciation Expense	\$8,213,077	\$7,970,349
Interest on Long-Term Debt	6,192,766	6,114,726
Other Deductions	596,791	878,751
<b>TOTAL COST OF ELECTRIC SERVICE</b>	<b>\$396,322,001</b>	<b>\$347,827,999</b>
Operating Margins (Loss)	\$4,727,054	\$1,954,867
Non-Operating Margins	1,145,051	985,051
<b>TOTAL MARGINS (Loss)</b>	<b>\$5,872,105</b>	<b>\$2,939,918</b>

### BALANCE SHEET

	2010	2009
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Total Utility Plant	\$246,011,723	\$239,783,186
Less Accumulated Provision for Depreciation	(66,837,167)	(62,290,462)
<b>NET UTILITY PLANT</b>	<b>\$179,174,556</b>	<b>\$177,492,724</b>
Investments	\$6,639,045	\$7,107,120
Cash & Cash Equivalents	8,673,845	5,752,057
Accounts Receivable	35,223,650	35,106,377
Other Assets	14,450,733	12,708,278
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$244,161,829</b>	<b>\$238,166,556</b>
<b>MEMBERS' EQUITIES</b>		
Memberships	\$244,155	\$242,960
Patronage Capital	61,151,052	55,445,506
Other	3,786,209	2,297,317
<b>TOTAL MEMBERS' EQUITIES</b>	<b>\$65,181,416</b>	<b>\$57,985,783</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Long-Term Debt	\$131,197,120	\$133,279,836
Current Liabilities	44,296,516	42,903,167
Other	3,486,777	3,997,770
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$178,980,413</b>	<b>\$180,180,773</b>
<b>TOTAL MEMBERS' EQUITIES &amp; LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$244,161,829</b>	<b>\$238,166,556</b>

#### Co-op Connections® Card



Come into any Kenergy office and pick up your new Co-op Connections Card. It provides discounts on hotel stays, car rentals and more. For the first time, Kenergy's Co-op Connections Cards offer a discount on prescription drugs. Nationwide, co-op members have saved nearly \$20 million on prescription drugs alone by using their Co-op Connections Cards.

One card packet per family, please.

For more details, call 800-844-4832 and talk with a Kenergy customer service representative.



Sample of a home that was built in California using cargo containers.

# Living **INSIDE** the box

## Kenergy member uses recycled shipping containers to build home

HANCOCK COUNTY, Ky. — Shipping containers usually hold Hyundai automobiles from South Korea or coffee beans from Brazil.

Not so in Hancock County. Bill and Judy Clelland plan to make five end-of-life shipping containers into their two-story, 3,800-square-foot home.

The Clellands moved to Hancock County recently from Calvert County, Md., where Judy worked as a legal secretary and Bill was a crime scene investigator for a police department outside Washington, D.C. The couple decided to retire in Hancock County because Judy has family there.

So, where did the cargo container-turned-home idea come from? Bill viewed a segment about them on a TV home-improvement show. The idea intrigued him. He went to the Internet to do more research, and he was sold.

**Years ago**, the couple signed the deal on 23 acres in Hancock County. **Then last year**, five shipping containers were delivered via a flat-bed truck out of Louisville.

The containers are 8 feet wide, 40 feet long and 9.5 feet tall. The walls are 14 gauge corrugated Corten steel welded to a 7-gauge tubular steel frame. The floors are ¾-inch treated marine plywood. Each container weighs 8,700 pounds.

Containers vary in price, Bill said, according to condition, location and availability. He priced them from \$1,900 to \$2,400, plus delivery. The Clellands bought theirs from a broker on the Internet.

The Clellands' home will have four bedrooms and three baths. Bill is acting as his own contractor. "This is my first self-constructed home. (I) hope to build more."

This spring's wet weather put construction back a bit. A crane is needed to set the containers in place, and the ground must dry out before a crane can move to the site.

The home's foundation is steel-reinforced poured concrete with steel-reinforced columns. Rebar extends through steel plates on top of columns, Bill said. The containers will be welded to those plates. "Each container is then welded to each other."

When properly anchored, the house will be able to withstand more than 150-mph winds, Bill said.

Container homes are popular in some parts of the world. Besides the benefits derived from recycling old cargo containers, the homes prove resistant to mold, fire and termites. On the Internet, shipping-container homes are touted as being less expensive to build.

"Energy efficiency will be determined by the amount and type of insulation I come up with," Bill said. "The information on the (Internet) tells me the R value in the walls should be around R-30."



Bill Clelland of Hancock County stands near shipping containers that will someday be his home.

## 2011 Kenergy Corp. Member of the Year

In an effort to recognize the many good deeds of our member-owners, Kenergy Corp. has started a new program titled Member of the Year. The charity for which the winner volunteers receives \$1,000 in honor of our member's community service.

If you know of a Kenergy member who is a selfless volunteer, please take the time to fill out a nomination form on their behalf.

The guidelines are:

- Only Kenergy Corp. members are eligible for Member of the Year.
- The nominee's volunteer activities must be performed within Kenergy's 14-county service area.
- Kenergy members are welcome to nominate themselves for this award. Don't be shy. This could be your chance to earn a \$1,000 donation for your favorite civic organization.
- Nominations must be received by 4:30 p.m. on October 3, 2011.

Nomination forms are available in Kenergy offices, at co-op events and on the co-op's Web site at [www.kenergycorp.com](http://www.kenergycorp.com). Completed forms should be mailed to Member Services Department, Kenergy Corp., PO Box 18, Henderson, KY 42419-0018. Forms may be delivered to any of our offices or faxed to (270) 685-2279 to the attention of Renee Beasley Jones.

- Eligible members will volunteer their time to nonprofit, civic organizations only, excluding churches or religion-based groups.
- Elected officials, Kenergy employees and members of the co-op's Board of Directors are excluded from participation.

A panel made up of five Kenergy Member Resource Committee members will select the winner.

The winner will be announced at the Dec. 1, 2011 Member Resource Committee meeting. The winner and a representative from his or her favorite charity will be expected to attend the event.

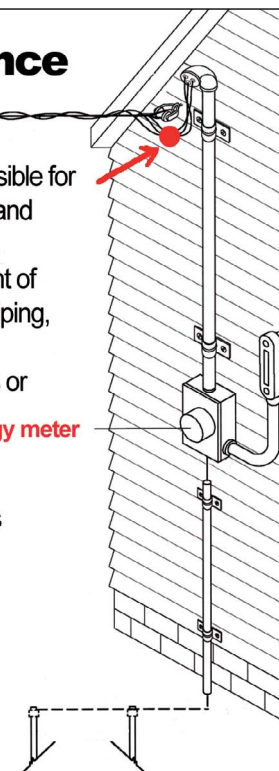
### Service Entrance

**Kenergy service wire**

Member owns and is responsible for maintaining equipment after and including point of attachment. That equipment includes point of attachment, weather head, piping, wiring, mounting hardware, meter base, and ground rods or other equipment.

**Kenergy meter**

Kenergy owns and maintains service wire and the meter.



### HVAC Rebate Pilot Program

Between May 1 and June 30, Kenergy Corp. and Big Rivers Electric Corp. will offer rebates to homeowners and businesses that have their heating and cooling systems professionally cleaned and serviced. Well-maintained heating, cooling and refrigeration units operate more efficiently and use less energy.

Homeowners will receive a \$25 gift card for each unit that is cleaned and serviced, up to a maximum of \$100 per member. The residential program will continue until 280 residential units have been paid out or June 30, whichever comes first.

Commercial members will receive \$50 for each unit that is cleaned and serviced, up to a maximum of \$250 per member. Businesses that maintain large refrigeration units qualify for this rebate as well.

The commercial program will continue until 160 units have been paid out or June 30, whichever comes first.

To qualify, service invoices must be dated between May 1 and June 30. In addition, invoices for service must be submitted no later than July 29, 2011, to: Jeanette Weedman, Kenergy Corp., P.O. Box 1389, Owensboro KY 42302.

For more information about this rebate program, contact Scott Heath at (270) 689-6156 or (800) 844-4832, extension 6156.

