

Form **990**
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)
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2016
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A For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2016, and ending 12-31-2016

- B** Check if applicable:
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final
 Return/terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization
CENTRAL ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE INC

Doing business as

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
20 COOPERATIVE WAY

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
COLUMBIA, SC 29210

D Employer identification number
57-0299350

E Telephone number
(803) 779-4975

G Gross receipts \$ 1,266,441,955

F Name and address of principal officer
JOHN BRANTLEY
20 COOPERATIVE WAY
COLUMBIA, SC 29210

I Tax-exempt status 501(c)(3) 501(c) (12) ◀(insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? Yes No
H(b) Are all subordinates included? Yes No
If "No," attach a list (see instructions)
H(c) Group exemption number ▶

J Website: ▶ WWW CEPCI ORG

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other ▶

L Year of formation 1948 **M** State of legal domicile SC

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities
CENTRAL IS A GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION (G&T) COOPERATIVE SUPPLYING POWER TO TWENTY MEMBER DISTRIBUTION COOPERATIVES IN SOUTH CAROLINA CENTRAL CONSTRUCTS TRANSMISSION TAP LINES TO SERVE SUBSTATIONS OWNED BY THE DISTRIBUTION COOPERATIVES

2 Check this box if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets

3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	40
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	40
5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2016 (Part V, line 2a)	5	57
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	0
7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
7b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0

	Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	0	0
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	1,219,316,975	1,258,940,050
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	793,805	2,500,193
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	779,130	1,249,266
12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1,220,889,910	1,262,689,509
13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	0	0
14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	2,823,227	3,412,960
15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	7,519,282	8,504,765
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0		
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	1,210,391,520	1,249,316,648
18 Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	1,220,734,029	1,261,234,373
19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	155,881	1,455,136

	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	341,849,307	371,851,633
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	299,426,547	325,920,677
22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	42,422,760	45,930,956

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

Sign Here
Signature of officer: *****
Date: 2017-10-18
JOHN BRANTLEY CFO AND SVP
Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only
Print/Type preparer's name: SHELLIE S JOHNSON
Preparer's signature: SHELLIE S JOHNSON
Date: 2017-10-13
Check if self-employed PTIN: P00294226
Firm's name: ▶ BAUKNIGHT PIETRAS & STORMER PA
Firm's EIN: ▶ 57-0940019
Firm's address: ▶ 1517 GERVAIS STREET
COLUMBIA, SC 29201
Phone no: (803) 771-8943

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission

CENTRAL IS A GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION (G&T) COOPERATIVE SUPPLYING POWER TO TWENTY MEMBER DISTRIBUTION COOPERATIVES IN SOUTH CAROLINA CENTRAL CONSTRUCTS TRANSMISSION TAP LINES TO SERVE SUBSTATIONS OWNED BY THE DISTRIBUTION COOPERATIVES

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
See Additional Data

4b (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
See Additional Data

4c (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses ▶

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

		Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>		No
2	Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)?		No
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		No
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>		
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		No
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i> 🗑️		No
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i> 🗑️		No
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i> 🗑️		No
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i> 🗑️		No
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i> 🗑️		No
11	If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i> 🗑️	Yes	
b	Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i> 🗑️		No
c	Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i> 🗑️		No
d	Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i> 🗑️		No
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> 🗑️	Yes	
f	Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> 🗑️		No
12a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i> 🗑️	Yes	
b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i> 🗑️		No
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		No
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		No
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i>		No
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>		No
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>		No
17	Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i> (see instructions)		No
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>		No
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		No

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		No
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>		No
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>		No
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	Yes	
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>		No
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		No
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		No
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		No
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		No
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		No
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		No
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		No
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>		No
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		No
b If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		No
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	Yes	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

Table with columns for question ID, question text, and Yes/No columns. Includes sections for backup withholding, employee reporting, foreign accounts, prohibited transactions, and charitable contributions.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O See instructions

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a (40), 1b (40), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7a, 7b, 8a, 8b, 9.

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a, 10b, 11a, 11b, 12a, 12b, 12c, 13, 14, 15a, 15b, 16a, 16b.

Section C. Disclosure

Table with 2 columns: Question, Answer. Rows include: 17, 18, 19, 20.

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
See Additional Data Table										

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees *(continued)*

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
See Additional Data Table										

1b Sub-Total	▶			
1c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A	▶			
1d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)	▶	3,150,443	0	1,249,919

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization ▶ 11

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		No
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	Yes	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		No

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
RADIANCE SOLAR LLC 916 JOSSEPH E LOWERY NW ATLANTA, GA 30318	CONSTRUCTION	2,838,542
SOUTHEAST POWER CORP 1684 W HIBISCUS BLVD MELBOURNE, FL 32901	CONSTRUCTION	2,809,230
NEW HORIZON ELECTRIC COOP PO BOX 1169 LAURENS, SC 29360	LINE MAINTENANCE	2,138,796
TIENCKEN CONWAY LLC 234 SEVEN FARMS DR SUITE 114 DANIEL ISLAND, SC 29492	LEGAL SERVICES	1,485,820
POWER SECURE 1609 HERITAGE COMMERCE CT WAKE FOREST, NC 27587	CONSTRUCTION	1,316,109

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization ▶ 20

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns . . .	1a					
	b Membership dues . . .	1b					
	c Fundraising events . . .	1c					
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f					
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ _____						
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f						
Program Service Revenue			Business Code				
	2a SALES OF ELECTRIC ENERGY		221000	1,258,940,050	1,258,940,050		
	b _____						
	c _____						
	d _____						
	e _____						
	f All other program service revenue						
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f			1,258,940,050				
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)			831,221		831,221	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5 Royalties						
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
		b Less rental expenses					
		c Rental income or (loss)					
		d Net rental income or (loss)					
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
		b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses					
		c Gain or (loss)					
		d Net gain or (loss)			1,668,972		1,668,972
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a					
		b Less direct expenses	b				
		c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
	9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a					
b Less direct expenses		b					
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities							
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a						
	b Less cost of goods sold	b					
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11a MISCELLANEOUS		221000	726,465	726,465			
b PATRONAGE CAPITAL REC		221000	522,801	522,801			
c _____							
d All other revenue							
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d			1,249,266				
12 Total revenue. See Instructions			1,262,689,509	1,260,189,316	0	2,500,193	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21.				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22.				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, line 15 and 16.				
4 Benefits paid to or for members	3,412,960			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	3,062,676			
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	3,152,585			
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401 (k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	1,170,224			
9 Other employee benefits	747,562			
10 Payroll taxes	371,718			
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management				
b Legal	1,891,899			
c Accounting	30,639			
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.				
f Investment management fees				
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)				
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	733,659			
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	980,492			
17 Travel	378,100			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	130,701			
20 Interest	5,063,342			
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	6,739,749			
23 Insurance	169,508			
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a PURCHASED AND GENERATED	1,213,310,803			
b OPERATIONS & MAINTENANC	9,810,138			
c TAXES-TRANSMISSION	6,329,647			
d ORGANIZATION & PROFESSI	775,734			
e All other expenses	2,972,237			
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	1,261,234,373			
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	19,175	1	4,971
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	8,227,601	2	9,395,816
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	87,682,836	4	104,975,167
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	516,519	8	212,255
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	465,897	9	488,876
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	332,606,895		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	86,146,753		
		234,439,329	10c	246,460,142
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11	5,229,298	12	5,229,298
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11	3,200,146	13	3,239,896
	14 Intangible assets		14	
15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11	2,068,506	15	1,845,212	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	341,849,307	16	371,851,633	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	89,528,589	17	106,820,983
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	-366,215	19	814,571
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	209,945,334	23	218,150,756
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D	318,839	25	134,367
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	299,426,547	26	325,920,677
Net Assets or Fund Balances	27 Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34. Unrestricted net assets		27	
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	30 Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34. Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds	1,173	30	1,173
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund	0	31	0
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	42,421,587	32	45,929,783
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	42,422,760	33	45,930,956
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	341,849,307	34	371,851,633

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	1,262,689,509
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	1,261,234,373
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	1,455,136
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	42,422,760
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	2,053,060
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	45,930,956

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

		Yes	No
<p>1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p> <p>If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O</p>			
<p>2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?</p> <p>If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis</p>	2a		No
<p>b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?</p> <p>If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis</p>	2b	Yes	
<p>c If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?</p> <p>If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O</p>	2c	Yes	
<p>3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?</p>	3a		No
<p>b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits</p>	3b		

Additional Data

Software ID:

Software Version:

EIN: 57-0299350

Name: CENTRAL ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE INC

Form 990 (2016)

Form 990, Part III, Line 4a:

CENTRAL IS A G&T COOPERATIVE SUPPLYING POWER TO ITS MEMBER COOPERATIVES IN SOUTH CAROLINA IN 2016 IT SERVED TWENTY DISTRIBUTION MEMBERS
CENTRAL DELIVERED 17,156,736 MEGAWATT HOURS OF ELECTRICITY TO ITS MEMBERS DURING 2016 AS COMPARED WITH 16,568,378 DURING 2015

Form 990, Part III, Line 4b:

CENTRAL CONSTRUCTS TRANSMISSION TAP LINES TO SERVE SUBSTATIONS OWNED BY MEMBER DISTRIBUTION COOPERATIVES TOTAL MILES OF TRANSMISSION LINES
WERE 777 AT 12/31/16 COMPARED TO 758 AT 12/31/15

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors										
(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
GARY L STOOKSBURY TRUSTEE	5 00	X						19,852	0	0
V WAYNE FURTICK TRUSTEE	2 00	X						9,217	0	0
DWAYNE CARTWRIGHT TRUSTEE	2 00	X						22,688	0	0
W MICHAEL MOORE TRUSTEE	3 00	X						7,799	0	0
THOMAS M JACKSON TRUSTEE	3 00	X						11,344	0	0
CHARLES E DALTON TRUSTEE	4 00	X						12,053	0	0
FRANKLIN M LOOPER JR TRUSTEE	5 00	X						14,889	0	0
ANITA P WHITNEY TRUSTEE	3 00	X						9,217	0	0
HAROLD RHODES JR TRUSTEE	3 00	X						9,217	0	0
LAWRENCE J HINZ TRUSTEE	6 00	X						34,741	0	0

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors								(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)								
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
DAVID EFELKEL TRUSTEE	4 00	X						14,180	0	0
DOUGLAS A REEVES TRUSTEE	5 00	X						43,249	0	0
JOSEPH E SHARPE TRUSTEE	3 00	X						15,598	0	0
WILLIAM L HART TRUSTEE	3 00	X						21,979	0	0
JAMES P HOWLE TRUSTEE	7 00	X						33,323	0	0
J DAVID WASSON JR TRUSTEE	3 00	X						12,762	0	0
LEWIS HARRISON TRUSTEE	3 00	X						12,762	0	0
ROBERT N PARKER TRUSTEE	3 00	X						8,508	0	0
STEVE CHEWNING TRUSTEE	3 00	X						8,508	0	0
CHARLES R SMITH TRUSTEE	3 00	X						11,344	0	0

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors										
(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
WILLIAM L FLEMING JR TRUSTEE	5 00	X						21,270	0	0
B ROBERT PAULLING TRUSTEE	3 00	X						21,270	0	0
KENNETH V FRICK TRUSTEE	3 00	X						18,434	0	0
G KEITH AVERY TRUSTEE	3 00	X						12,762	0	0
JOHNNIE L DICKERT TRUSTEE	2 00	X						7,799	0	0
JAMES L ROWE TRUSTEE	4 00	X						12,053	0	0
A BERL DAVIS TRUSTEE	5 00	X						18,434	0	0
HAMER L PARNELL TRUSTEE	3 00	X						9,217	0	0
BRIAN F KELLEY TRUSTEE	4 00	X						17,725	0	0
CHAD T LOWDER TRUSTEE	4 00	X						18,434	0	0

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors										(D)	(E)	(F)
(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations		
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former					
H HEATH HILL TRUSTEE	3 00	X						11,344	0	0		
E PAUL BASHA TRUSTEE	5 00	X						19,852	0	0		
CHARLES R ALLEN TRUSTEE	3 00	X						16,307	0	0		
ROBERT G ARDIS III VP RATES & REVENUE	4 00	X						14,180	0	0		
CAROLYN BOYD TRUSTEE	3 00	X						5,672	0	0		
BRIAN W BROUGHTON TRUSTEE	3 00	X						4,963	0	0		
ROBERT G FERRIS TRUSTEE	3 00	X						12,762	0	0		
EUGENE HARRIOTT JR TRUSTEE	3 00	X						8,508	0	0		
TERRY W MALLARD TRUSTEE	4 00	X						13,471	0	0		
ANDY MCKNIGHT TRUSTEE	4 00	X						6,381	0	0		

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors										
(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
ROBERT HOCHSTETLER PRESIDENT & CEO	40 00			X				496,200	0	163,279
JOHN BRANTLEY SVP AND CFO	40 00			X				308,228	0	172,857
JAMES C LAMB SVP PLANNING & POWER SUPPLY	40 00				X			274,054	0	160,723
JOHN T BOYT SVP ENGINEERING & TECHNICAL	40 00				X			236,992	0	220,082
DAVID M LOGEMAN VP RATES AND REVENUE	40 00				X			167,370	0	127,276
MARK A SVRCEK SVP AND COO	40 00				X			345,113	0	102,784
CYNTHIA HICKMAN DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE PLAN	40 00					X		151,484	0	111,189
DAVID A SPRINGS MANAGER OF ENGINEERING	40 00					X		134,896	0	57,978
GERALD FLEMING DIRECTOR OF POWER SUPPLY	40 00					X		151,550	0	49,702
JEFFREY LEWIS DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION	40 00					X		141,837	0	59,466

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
KENNETH MOTSINGER DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL SVCS & TRANSMISSION PLANNING	40 00					X		138,651	0	24,583

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

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▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
CENTRAL ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE INC

Employer identification number
57-0299350

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? Yes No

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? Yes No

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)

Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or education) Preservation of an historically important land area

Protection of natural habitat Preservation of a certified historic structure

Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

	Held at the End of the Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ _____

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ _____

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? Yes No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$ _____

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? Yes No

9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets *(continued)*

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)
- a** Public exhibition
 - b** Scholarly research
 - c** Preservation for future generations
 - d** Loan or exchange programs
 - e** Other
- 4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII
- 5** During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table
- | | Amount |
|--|--------|
| c Beginning balance | |
| d Additions during the year | |
| e Distributions during the year | |
| f Ending balance | |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a)Current year	(b)Prior year	(c)Two years back	(d)Three years back	(e)Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶
 - b** Permanent endowment ▶
 - c** Temporarily restricted endowment ▶
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%
- 3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by
- | | | |
|--|------------|-----------|
| (i) unrelated organizations | Yes | No |
| 3a(i) | | |
| (ii) related organizations | | |
| 3a(ii) | | |
| b If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? | | |
| 3b | | |
- 4** Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land	63,136,307			63,136,307
b Buildings	12,542,876		301,876	12,241,000
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment	220,275,052		85,844,877	134,430,175
e Other	36,652,660			36,652,660
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c)) . . . ▶				246,460,142

Part VII Investments—Other Securities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other _____		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12)		

Part VIII Investments—Program Related. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13)		

Part IX Other Assets. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d See Form 990, Part X, line 15

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15)	

Part X Other Liabilities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
ACCRUED POSTRETIREMENT BENEFIT	-523,841
ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATION	658,208
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25)	134,367

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740) Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	1,261,234,373
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a		
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b		
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	0
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	1,261,234,373
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	1,455,136	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	1,455,136
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)		5	1,262,689,509

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	1,257,821,413
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a		
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	0
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	1,257,821,413
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1 :			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	3,412,960	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	3,412,960
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)		5	1,261,234,373

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
See Additional Data Table	

Part XIII Supplemental Information *(continued)*

Return Reference	Explanation

Additional Data

Software ID:

Software Version:

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Name: CENTRAL ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE INC

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART X, LINE 2	CENTRAL'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DID NOT CONTAIN A FOOTNOTE REGARDING LIABILITY FOR UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS UNDER FIN 48

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART XI, LINE 4B - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	CENTRAL ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE RETIREE WELFARE BENEFIT TRUST #34-7164073 1,455,136

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART XII, LINE 4B - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	BENEFITS PAID TO MEMBERS 3,412,960

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Department of the
Treasury
Internal Revenue
Service

Compensation Information

OMB No 1545-0047

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees
▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Name of the organization
CENTRAL ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE INC

Employer identification number
57-0299350

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No
<p>1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)</p>		
<p>b If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain.</p>	Yes	
<p>2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?</p>	Yes	
<p>3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations <input type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee</p>		
<p>4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:</p> <p>a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?</p>		No
<p>b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?</p>	Yes	
<p>c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?</p> <p>If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.</p>		No
<p>Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.</p>		
<p>5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:</p> <p>a The organization?</p>		
<p>b Any related organization?</p> <p>If "Yes," on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.</p>		
<p>6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:</p> <p>a The organization?</p>		
<p>b Any related organization?</p> <p>If "Yes," on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.</p>		
<p>7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.</p>		
<p>8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III.</p>		
<p>9 If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?</p>		

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column(B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
See Additional Data Table							

Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 1A	AS PART OF ITS WELLNESS PROGRAM, CENTRAL OFFERS EACH EMPLOYEE AND THEIR SPOUSE \$20 PER MONTH (\$40 FOR BOTH) TOWARDS THEIR HEALTH CLUB MEMBERSHIP. CENTRAL PROVIDES A MEMBERSHIP TO THE CAPITAL CITY CLUB TO ITS PRESIDENT & CEO, ROB HOCHSTETLER. IT IS USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES.
PART I, LINE 3	IN ADDITION, MARKET COMPARABLES ARE REVIEWED FOR THE CEO AND SENIOR STAFF. THE RESULTS OF THE STUDY ARE REVIEWED BY THE BOARD AND RECOMMENDATIONS IMPLEMENTED.
PART I, LINE 4B	CENTRAL'S CURRENT PRESIDENT AND CEO ROBERT HOCHSTETLER PARTICIPATED IN CENTRAL'S DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN ESTABLISHED IN 2010. IN 2016, HE ELECTED TO DEFER THE MAXIMUM \$18,000 OF SALARY UNTIL RETIREMENT.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Name of the organization

CENTRAL ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE INC

Employer identification number

57-0299350

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 2	CENTRAL'S 20 MEMBER DISTRIBUTION COOPERATIVES EACH HAVE REPRESENTATION OF TWO MEMBERS TO THE BOARD THESE REPRESENTATIVES CONSIST OF THE COOPERATIVES'S CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND A MEMBER OF THE COOPERATIVE'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN EACH CASE, THESE TWO PEOPLE WOULD HAVE A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP OUTSIDE OF CENTRAL'S BOARD

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6	CENTRAL'S MEMBERSHIP CONSISTS OF TWENTY DISTRIBUTION COOPERATIVES WITH REPRESENTATION OF TWO DIRECTORS EACH ON CENTRAL'S BOARD

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7A	EACH DISTRIBUTION COOPERATIVE ELECTS ONE BOARD MEMBER FROM ITS OWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B	A COMPLETE COPY OF THE RETURN WAS PROVIDED TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND OFFERED FOR REVIEW TO THE REMAINING BOARD MEMBERS UPON REQUEST

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15	EVERY THREE TO FIVE YEARS CENTRAL HIRES AN OUTSIDE CONSULTANT TO PERFORM AN INDEPENDENT SALARY STUDY THE CONSULTANT REVIEWS THE JOB DESCRIPTIONS OF ALL CENTRAL EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING THE CEO, OFFICERS AND KEY EMPLOYEES SALARY GRADE SCALES ARE APPLIED TO EACH POSITION AND A SALARY RANGE DETERMINED IN ADDITION, MARKET COMPARABLES ARE REVIEWED FOR THE CEO AND SENIOR STAFF THE RESULTS OF THE STUDY ARE REVIEWED BY THE BOARD AND RECOMMENDATIONS IMPLEMENTED

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	NOT AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9	BENEFITS PAID TO MEMBERS 3,412,960 APBO 95,236 HOMESTEAD / BB&T -1,455,136

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FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C	CENTRAL DID NOT CHANGE ITS OVERSIGHT PROCESS OR SELECTION PROCESS DURING THE YEAR