

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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OMB No. 1545-0047
2019
Open to Public Inspection

A For the **2019** calendar year, or tax year beginning **01-01-2019**, and ending **12-31-2019**

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

C Name of organization: SUMTER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC
 Doing business as:
 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite: P O BOX 301
 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code: SUMTERVILLE, FL 335850301

D Employer identification number: 59-0469125
E Telephone number: (352) 793-3801
G Gross receipts \$ 402,607,556

F Name and address of principal officer:
 JAMES P DUNCAN
 PO BOX 301
 SUMTERVILLE, FL 335850301

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 ▶

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

J Website: ▶ WWW.SECOENERGY.COM

K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other ▶

L Year of formation: 1938 **M** State of legal domicile: FL

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities:
 TO SATISFY CUSTOMERS BY PROVIDING RELIABLE COMPETITIVELY PRICED ELECTRICITY AND RELATED SERVICES IN A FINANCIALLY SOUND MANNER.

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	9
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	9
5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2019 (Part V, line 2a)	5	460
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	
7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	35,465
7b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 39	7b	30,919

	Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	54,885	51,997
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	393,334,437	396,373,017
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	1,171,159	3,240,184
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	35,158	35,465
12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	394,595,639	399,700,663
13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	69,000	77,498
14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	5,372,038	3,502,037
15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	5,130,806	5,347,047
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		0
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶		
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	380,824,592	384,263,734
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	391,396,436	393,190,316
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	3,199,203	6,510,347

	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	838,159,410	876,209,912
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	575,045,585	597,853,093
22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	263,113,825	278,356,819

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: 2020-10-22

JAMES P DUNCAN CEO
 Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name: _____ Preparer's signature: _____ Date: 2020-10-22
 Check if self-employed PTIN: P00631621

Firm's name ▶ PURVIS GRAY & COMPANY LLP Firm's EIN ▶ 59-0548468

Firm's address ▶ 2347 SE 17TH STREET Phone no. (352) 732-3872
 Ocala, FL 34471

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) Yes No

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:

TO SATISFY CUSTOMERS BY PROVIDING RELIABLE COMPETITIVELY PRICED ELECTRICITY AND RELATED SERVICES IN A FINANCIALLY SOUND MANNER.

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 \$)

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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A		No
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (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? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II		No
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV		No
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V		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.		
11a	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	Yes	
11b	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII		No
11c	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII	Yes	
11d	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX		No
11e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	Yes	
11f	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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	Yes	
12a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	Yes	
12b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional		No
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		No
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		No
14b	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II		No
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III		No
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		No
20b	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	Yes	

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

		Yes	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22	Yes	
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	23	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? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a	24a		No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
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?	24c		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25a		
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25b		
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	26		No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity (including an employee thereof) or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	27		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, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28a		No
b	A family member of any individual described in line 28a? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28b		No
c	A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in lines 28a or 28b? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c	Yes	
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	29		No
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	30		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I	31		No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	32		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I	33		No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1	34		No
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	35b		
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	36		
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI	37		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.	38		No

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

		Yes	No	
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	151	
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0	
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c		

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

Main form area containing questions 2a through 16 with corresponding input fields and checkboxes. Includes sub-sections for organizations receiving deductible contributions and sponsoring organizations.

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.		
1b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	Yes	
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	Yes	
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	Yes	
7b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	Yes	
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
8a	a The governing body?	Yes	
8b	b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	Yes	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		No

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

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		No
10b	b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?		
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	Yes	
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	Yes	
12b	b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	Yes	
12c	c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	Yes	
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	Yes	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	Yes	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
15a	a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	Yes	
15b	b Other officers or key employees of the organization If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).	Yes	
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		No
16b	b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

Section C. Disclosure

17	List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed▶	
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024-A if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply. <input type="checkbox"/> Own website <input type="checkbox"/> Another's website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upon request <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain in Schedule O)	
19	Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.	
20	State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: ▶EUGENE KANIKOVSKY 330 SOUTH HIGHWAY 301 SUMTERVILLE, FL 33585 (352) 793-3801	

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.
- See instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

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			
(1) JAMES P DUNCAN CEO	62.00			X			1,026,167	0	55,574	
(2) ROLAND B BRICKHOUSE VP OF ENGINE	50.00				X		495,728	0	160,759	
(3) JOHN LASELVA VP OF OPERAT	60.00				X		422,348	0	174,943	
(4) EUGENE V KANIKOVSKY CFO	57.00			X			362,387	0	130,824	
(5) KATHRYN E GLORIA VP COR COMM	50.00				X		342,591	0	113,214	
(6) GREGGORY H MORRELL VP OF HR & C	52.00				X		356,304	0	71,051	
(7) LONNIE W PENNINGTON MGR TRANS &	60.00					X	221,319	0	118,553	
(8) THOMAS MCDANIEL CONTROLLER	50.00					X	188,594	0	106,562	
(9) KENNY J RODRIGUE MGR OF SUBST	45.00					X	200,022	0	71,199	
(10) SHAUN T LAMAR MGR OF INF T	50.00					X	181,180	0	78,649	
(11) BARBARA SHAW MGR OF KEY A	55.00					X	162,619	0	89,789	
(12) RAY F VICK TRUSTEE	7.00	X					30,339	0	0	
(13) JOSEPH KUSIAK TRUSTEE	14.00	X					27,803	0	0	
(14) DILLARD B BOYATT TRUSTEE	6.00	X					27,302	0	0	
(15) EARL MUFFETT TRUSTEE	6.00	X					24,802	0	0	
(16) RICHARD DENNISON TRUSTEE - V.	7.00	X		X			23,803	0	0	
(17) WILLIAM JAMES JR TRUSTEE - SE	10.00	X		X			23,303	0	0	

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			
(18) SCOTT BOYATT TRUSTEE	6.00	X					19,803	0	0	
(19) JERRY D HATFIELD TRUSTEE-PRES	4.00	X		X			17,803	0	0	
(20) GERALD ANDERSON TRUSTEE	9.00	X					14,801	0	0	
(21) RICHARD BELLES TRUSTEE	15.00	X					6,501	0	0	
1b Sub-Total										
1c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
1d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								4,175,519		1,171,117

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 ▶ 143	
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		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
NELSON TREE SERVICE INC 350 E DEVON AVE 774489 ITASCA, IL 60143	VEGETATION MGMT	13,694,490
IVY H SMITH COMPANY LLC PO BOX 860786 ORLANDO, FL 32886	LINE CONSTRUCT.	9,293,353
PIKE ELECTRIC INC PO BOX 1000 DEPT 517 MEMPHIS, TN 38148	LINE CONSTRUCT.	8,199,524
CONTRACT CALLERS 510 GREENE ST 3RD FLOOR SUITE 302 AUGUSTA, GA 30901	METER READING	2,316,077
CATHEDRAL CORPORATION 6851 TPC DRIVE ORLANDO, FL 32822	BILL PRINT/MAIL	1,184,721

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 ▶ 28
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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	51,997				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a - 1f:\$	1g					
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f			51,997			
Program Service Revenue	2a SALE OF ELECTRICITY	Business Code					
		221000	388,613,583	388,613,583			
	b POLE RENTAL	221000	3,826,454			3,826,454	
	c SERVICE CHARGE INCOME	221000	3,286,150	3,286,150			
	d CAPITAL CREDITS - OTHER	221000	646,830			646,830	
	e						
	f All other program service revenue.						
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f.		396,373,017					
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		1,241,461			1,241,461	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5 Royalties						
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real					
		(ii) Personal		54,043			
		b Less: rental expenses	6b		18,578		
		c Rental income or (loss)	6c		35,465		
	d Net rental income or (loss)			35,465		35,465	
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities					
		(ii) Other		4,887,038			
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	7b		2,888,315		
		c Gain or (loss)	7c		1,998,723		
	d Net gain or (loss)			1,998,723	1,998,723		
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18		8a				
		b Less: direct expenses	8b				
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events							
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19		9a					
	b Less: direct expenses	9b					
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities							
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances		10a					
	b Less: cost of goods sold	10b					
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory							
Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code						
11a							
b							
c							
d All other revenue							
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d							
12 Total revenue. See instructions			399,700,663	393,898,456	35,465	5,714,745	

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	41,498			
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	36,000			
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				
4 Benefits paid to or for members	3,502,037			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	3,928,438			
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	1,418,609			
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401 (k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits				
10 Payroll taxes				
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting				
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				
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy				
17 Travel				
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest	16,580,725			
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	27,120,911			
23 Insurance				
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 POWER	255,458,625			
b DISTR EXPENSE - MAINT	37,202,464			
c DISTR EXPENSE - OPERAT	17,938,598			
d ADMIN. GEN. AND OTHER	15,239,873			
e All other expenses	14,722,538			
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	393,190,316	0	0	0
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	2,468,372	1	2,027,502
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	41,658,540	4	42,592,511
	5 Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	17,107,723	8	15,882,376
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	6,426,153	9	4,943,978
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 917,816,713		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 204,325,723	680,543,297	10c 713,490,990
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11	89,955,325	13	97,272,555
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		15	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	838,159,410	16	876,209,912	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	48,006,050	17	40,431,171
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	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 any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	495,750,844	23	522,995,423
	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	31,288,691	25	34,426,499
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	575,045,585	26	597,853,093
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.			
	27 Net assets without donor restrictions		27	
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions		28	
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 29 through 33.			
	29 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds	911,525	29	937,010
	30 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund	4,697,436	30	5,167,965
	31 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	257,504,864	31	272,251,844
32 Total net assets or fund balances	263,113,825	32	278,356,819	
33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	838,159,410	33	876,209,912	

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	399,700,663
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	393,190,316
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	6,510,347
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	263,113,825
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	8,732,647
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	278,356,819

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

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

- 1** Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: Cash Accrual Other _____
 If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.
- 2a** Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?
 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:
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis
- b** Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
 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:
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis
- 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?
 If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.
- 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?
- 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.

	Yes	No
2a		No
2b	Yes	
2c	Yes	
3a	Yes	
3b	Yes	

Additional Data

Software ID:

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EIN: 59-0469125

Name: SUMTER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC

Form 990 (2019)

Form 990, Part III, Line 4a:

SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICITY TO 210,815 ACCOUNTS IN THE COOPERATIVE'S SERVICE AREA.

SCHEDULE D (Form 990) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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. Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

Name of the organization: SUMTER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC Employer identification number: 59-0469125

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.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include total number at end of year, aggregate value of contributions, grants, and end of year, and two questions about donor/donor advisor notification.

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

Form for Part II Conservation Easements. Includes questions about purpose of easements, number of easements, acreage, and monitoring expenses. Includes a table for 'Held at the End of the Year' with rows 2a-d.

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.

Form for Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Includes questions about reporting works of art and historical treasures, and amounts related to these items.

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:

- c** Beginning balance
- d** Additions during the year
- e** Distributions during the year
- f** Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

- 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
- (ii)** related organizations

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

b If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

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		12,731,105		12,731,105
b Buildings		29,186,171	11,291,706	17,894,465
c Leasehold improvements		5,222,692		5,222,692
d Equipment		64,080,877	45,016,921	19,063,956
e Other		806,595,868	148,017,096	658,578,772
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) . . . ▶				713,490,990

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) PATRONAGE CAPITAL-G&T COOP&SUPP LEND	93,727,336	C
(2) NRUCFC CAPITAL TERM CERTIFICATES	2,660,247	C
(3) NRECA DEFERRED COMP ASSETS	882,872	F
(4) MEMBERSHIP FEES IN ASSOC. ORG	2,100	C
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 13.)	97,272,555	

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	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 25.)	34,426,499

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	406,555,411
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	7,534,997	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	7,534,997
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	399,020,414
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	680,249	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	680,249
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)		5	399,700,663

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	389,649,030
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	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	389,649,030
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	3,541,286	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	3,541,286
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)		5	393,190,316

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

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Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE D, PAGE 3, PART X	THE COOPERATIVE IS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION EXEMPT FROM INCOME TAXES UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF INTERNAL REVENUE CODE SECTION 501(C)(12). ACCORDINGLY, THERE IS NO PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. THE COOPERATIVE ADOPTED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS CODIFICATION (ASC) 740, ACCOUNTING FOR UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME TAXES. THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS STANDARD HAD NO IMPACT ON THE COOPERATIVE'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. THE COOPERATIVE DOES NOT BELIEVE IT HAS TAKEN ANY UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS THAT WOULD HAVE A MATERIAL EFFECT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. THE COOPERATIVE'S FORM 990'S FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS ARE OPEN TO EXAMINATION BY THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE. FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND 2018, THE COOPERATIVE FILED FORM 990-T FOR UNRELATED RENTAL INCOME ON COMMUNICATION TOWERS. THE AMOUNT PAID OR ACCRUED WAS 6,735 AND 4,700, RESPECTIVELY.

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE D, PAGE 4, PART XI, LINE 2D	ASSIGNED CAPITAL CREDITS ACCRUED, NOT PAID 7,534,997

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE D, PAGE 4, PART XI, LINE 4B	CASH RECEIVED FROM CAPITAL CREDITS PREVIOUSLY ACCRUED 646,830 RENTAL EXPENSES NETTED ON ST ATEMENT OF REVENUES -18,578 ANGEL FUND CONTRIBUTIONS 51,997

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE D, PAGE 4, PART XII, LINE 4B	ANGEL FUND EXPENSES 55,313 RENTAL EXPENSES NETTED ON STATEMENT OF REVENUES -18,578 RETIREM ENT OF CAPITAL CREDITS 3,488,223 ACCRUED 990-T TAX 1,540 ACCRUED 4720 TAX 14,788

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Schedule I (Form 990)

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments and Individuals in the United States

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22. Attach to Form 990. Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization SUMTER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC

Employer identification number 59-0469125

Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance...
2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

Table with 8 columns: (a) Name and address of organization or government, (b) EIN, (c) IRC section (if applicable), (d) Amount of cash grant, (e) Amount of non-cash assistance, (f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other), (g) Description of noncash assistance, (h) Purpose of grant or assistance. Includes two rows of data for United Way organizations.

- 2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table.
3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table.

Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22.

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of noncash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of noncash assistance
(1) SEE SCHEDULE I, PART IV	12	36,000			
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					
(7)					

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2; Part III, column (b); and any other additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE I, PAGE 4, PART IV	SCHEDULE I, PART II - OTHER ASSISTANCE TO ORGANIZATIONS SUMTER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE PROVIDES FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO WORTHY CAUSES IN THE ORGANIZATION'S SERVICE AREA. SCHEDULE I, PART III - OTHER ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS 12 EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS WERE AWARDED TO HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS. THE RECIPIENT MAY USE THE SCHOLARSHIP TO PURSUE ANY MAJOR AT A HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION.

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Compensation Information

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.
▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
SUMTER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC

Employer identification number
59-0469125

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> <table border="0"> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)</td> </tr> </table>	<input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use	<input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions	<input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments	<input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees	<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)		
<input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use									
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions	<input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence									
<input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments	<input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees									
<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)									
<p>b If any of the boxes on 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>	1b									
<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 on Line 1a?</p>	2									
<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> <table border="0"> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee</td> </tr> </table>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee				
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<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> <p>b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?</p> <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>	4a	No								
	4b	No								
	4c	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>	5a									
	5b									
<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>	6a									
	6b									
<p>7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.</p>	7									
<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>	8									
<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>	9									

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
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Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Transactions with Interested Persons

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 25a, 25b, 26, 27, 28a, 28b, or 28c, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or 40b. Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization SUMTER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC

Employer identification number 59-0469125

Part I Excess Benefit Transactions (section 501(c)(3), section 501(c)(4), and section 501(c)(29) organizations only). Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b.

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name of disqualified person, (b) Relationship between disqualified person and organization, (c) Description of transaction, (d) Corrected? (Yes/No)

2 Enter the amount of tax incurred by the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under section 4958.
3 Enter the amount of tax, if any, on line 2, above, reimbursed by the organization.

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a, or Form 990, Part IV, line 26; or if the organization reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 5, 6, or 22

Table with 9 columns: (a) Name of interested person, (b) Relationship with organization, (c) Purpose of loan, (d) Loan to or from the organization (To/From), (e) Original principal amount, (f) Balance due, (g) In default? (Yes/No), (h) Approved by board or committee? (Yes/No), (i) Written agreement? (Yes/No)

Total \$

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefiting Interested Persons. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 27.

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name of interested person, (b) Relationship between interested person and the organization, (c) Amount of assistance, (d) Type of assistance, (e) Purpose of assistance

Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of organization's revenues?	
				Yes	No
(1) SEMINOLE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC	SEE PART V	255,458,625	PURCHASE POWER		No

Part V Supplemental Information

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule L (see instructions).

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE L, PART V	JAMES DUNCAN, CEO, WILLIAM JAMES, TRUSTEE, AND RICHARD DENNISON, TRUSTEE, SERVE ON SEMINOLE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES, INC'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

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Department of the Treasury

Name of the organization

SUMTER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC

Employer identification number

59-0469125

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990	<p>FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 4 - BENEFITS PAID TO OR FOR MEMBERS THE IRS' INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE 2019 VERSION OF THE FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 4 STATE: "ENTER THE PAYMENTS MADE BY THE ORGANIZATION TO PROVIDE BENEFITS TO MEMBERS (...PATRONAGE DIVIDENDS PAID BY SECTION 501(C)(12) ORGANIZATIONS TO THEIR MEMBERS). STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES, LINE 4 IS ENTITLED "BENEFITS PAID TO OR FOR MEMBERS." FOR PURPOSES OF THIS FORM 990, THE AMOUNT REPORTED ON LINE 4 REPRESENTS THE AMOUNT REPORTED IN THE AUDITED STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND CHANGES IN PATRONAGE CAPITAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND OTHER BENEFITS PAID TO MEMBER IN THE AMOUNT OF 3,488,223 AND 13,814 OF UTILITY ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO VARIOUS MEMBERS. FORM 990 , PART IX, LINE 24 (E) - TAX EXPENSE DISCLOSURE THE SOFTWARE USED TO PREPARE THE FORM 990 IS NOT CURRENTLY DESIGNED TO REPORT INCOME TAX EXPENSE FROM UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME SEPARATELY ON LINE 24 AS REQUIRED BY THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR FORM 990. INCOME TAX EXPENSE FOR UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME IS THEREFORE INCLUDED IN LINE 24(E). THE AMOUNT OF FEDERAL AND STATE INCOME TAX EXPENSE INCLUDED IN LINE 24(E) FROM UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME IS 8,220.</p>

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 2	DILLARD B. BOYATT SCOTT BOYATT TRUSTEE TRUSTEE FAMILY - UNCLE & NEPHEW

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 6	THE SUMTER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE HAS MEMBERS COMPRISED OF ANY PERSON, FIRM, ASSOCIATION, CORPORATION OR SUBDIVISION WHO AGREES TO (1) PURCHASE UTILITY SERVICES FROM THE COOPERATIVE, (2) COMPLY WITH THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BY-LAWS, AND (3) PAY THE MEMBERSHIP FEE .

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 7A	MEMBERS VOTE FOR A TRUSTEE TO REPRESENT THEIR DISTRICT.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 7B	THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE MEMBER APPROVAL ON ALL BY-LAW AND ARTICLE OF INCORPORATION CHANGES. MEMBER APPROVAL IS OBTAINED THROUGH A VOTE AT THE ANNUAL MEETING.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 11B	THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, AND CONTROLLER HAVE REVIEWED AND APPROVED THE 990. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES RECEIVED AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF THE FINAL 990 PRIOR TO FILING. TRUSTEES WERE ASKED FOR COMMENTS PRIOR TO SUBMISSION.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 12C	THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY COVERS ALL COOPERATIVE PERSONNEL, INCLUDING TRUSTEES AND EMPLOYEES. ANY CONFLICTS ARE REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED TO THE COMPLIANCE OFFICER OR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. WILLFUL VIOLATION OF THE POLICY MAY REQUIRE DRASTIC ACTION, INCLUDING DISMISSAL FROM THE BOARD OR TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 15A	THE CEO'S COMPENSATION IS REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. INDUSTRY COMPENSATION SURVEYS, AN INDEPENDENT COMPENSATION CONSULTANT, AND FORM 990S OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS ARE USED AS A BASIS FOR SALARY DETERMINATION. THIS WAS LAST DONE IN AUGUST 2019.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 15B	THE CEO REVIEWS AND APPROVES SALARY FOR OFFICERS AND KEY EMPLOYEES. INDUSTRY COMPENSATION SURVEYS ARE USED AS A BASIS FOR SALARY DETERMINATION.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 19	NO DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9	INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP 25,485 ASSIGNED CAPITAL CREDITS, NOT PAID 7,534,997 CHANGE IN OTHER EQUITIES 643,397 UNCLAIMED PATRONAGE CAPITAL 1,345,150 ANGEL FUND NET INCOME 3,316 CAPITAL CREDITS, CASH RECEIVED -646,830 CHANGE IN AOCI -172,868 TOTAL 8,732,647