

#### Green-e Energy was established by the non-profit Center for Resource Solutions, the nation's leading independent certification and verification program for renewable energy. Green-e Energy provides information and an objective standard for consumers to compare renewable energy options and to verify that consumers get what they pay for.

# Green-e Energy Certification:

### **Bringing Members the Gold Standard in Green Power**

As an electric cooperative member, you most likely have received Green Power newsletters (like this one) along with other brochures and marketing materials mentioning that our Green Power Program is Green-e Energy certified by the nonprofit Center for Resources Solutions in San Francisco, California.

To fulfill one of the many disclosure requirements of the Green-e Energy certification, we are posting the 2017 Prospective Product Content Label (pictured below). The label lists information about the supply your cooperative is advertising to members and our plans in providing the supply during a specific year. As shown here, Green Power's supply

consists of landfill methane gas, solar and wind-all located in the state of South Carolina.

### 2017 PROSPECTIVE PRODUCT CONTENT LABEL Green Power is sold in blocks of 100 kilowatt hours (kWh). In 2017, Green Power will be made up of the following new renewable resources averaged annually.

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#### **Generation Location**

Renewables in Green Power 2017		South Carolina
Landfill Methane Gas	> 99%	
Landfill Methane due	< 1%	South Carolina
Solar	<1%	South Carolina
Wind	100%	
TOTAL		

These figures reflect the renewables that we have contracted to provide. Actual figures may vary according to resource availability. We will annually report to you before August 1 of next year in the form of a Historic Product Content Label the actual resource mix of

the electricity you purchased. New Renewables come from generation facilities that first began

commercial operation within the past 15 years. For comparison, the current average mix of resources supplying Santee Cooper includes: Coal 51.5%, Nuclear 12.0%, Oil 0.0%, Natural Gas 20.2%, Hydro 1.9%, Methane 0.2%, Solar 0.0% and

The average home in South Carolina uses 1,146 kWh per month. Other 14.2% es Energy Information Administration 2015)

For specific information about this electricity product, contact Santee Cooper at (843) 761-8000 or visit

www.santeecooper.com/greenpower.



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## Hilton Head—and Palmetto Electric— Receive Sustainability Recognition for RBC Heritage

For the second year in a row, Hilton Head has received recognition from the International Association of Golf Tour Operators for its outstanding commitment to sustainability and the environment. Led by Experience Green's Sustainability in Golf initiative a nonprofit collaborative that promotes

sustainability in the golfing community—the Hilton Head destination area was recognized for its core commitment to the environment, including RBC Heritage PGA Tour's use of Green Power provided by Palmetto Electric Cooperative.

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RBC

For 2017, Hilton Head was honored as the first International Sustainable Golf Destination of the Year, following last year's award as the 2016 North American Golf Destination of the Year.

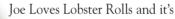
Even the Sea Pines Resort, home to the RBC Heritage PGA Tour, has gained golf's global eco label, GEO Certified<sup>®</sup>.

For more information on Green Power or recommend businesses to become Green Power Partners, contact a Customer Service representative at your local Electric Cooperative. 2-17

# Joe Loves Lobster Rolls...and Green Power

When it comes to one of the more interesting new food establishments in the Palmetto Electric service area, you might call this one "Green Lobster."

The actual name of the establishment is called



just the latest business to be fueled as a Green Power business partner. Located in Ridgeland on Highway 30A, Joe Loves Lobster Rolls is also a familiar presence at festivals, markets and weddings across the region courtesy of a popular food truck. Named for a beloved cousin who died from cancer at the age of 30, Tony Herndon, owner

of Joe Loves Lobster Rolls, says he wanted to open an environmentally-minded, family business. Beyond Green Power, the eatery also embraces recycling and uses containers that leave a smaller environmental footprint. Herndon says that sustainability is also on the menu, with free range and wild caught game, boar, bison, and of course, lobster. In addition, Herndon says that he and his staff even grow their own herbs and tomatoes to keep with his

environmentally minded mission. For up-to-date events, menus and specials, visit www.jllron30a.com .

Although he says he was born with a "spatula in his hand," Herndon says he has dreams beyond his restaurant that include building an environmental city. As an environmentally minded business owner, Herndon says he purchases Green Power to support renewables and to help offset the waste from energy.

By supporting renewable energy, local businesses like Joe Loves Lobster Rolls are helping to improve the environment and our community.

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