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**NEWS**

**Tokarczyk named Accounting Clerk at La Plata Electric Association**  
*Former Billing Clerk moves to new position within the cooperative*

DURANGO, Colo. – Ashley Tokarczyk, who joined La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) as a Billing Clerk in June 2013, has been named to Accounting Clerk within the cooperative’s Finance and Accounting Department.

In her new position, Tokarczyk is responsible for handling accounts payable as well as receivables for Marathon water heaters and ETS space heaters, and prepares LPEA’s sales tax returns.

“I am excited for a new challenge,” said Tokarczyk. “At heart I’m a competitor and have a drive to improve, so I welcome this opportunity to expand my knowledge here at LPEA.”

Tokarczyk came to LPEA following employment in the medical field where she garnered experience in customer relations and billing.

Raised in Durango, she attended Colorado State University at Fort Collins for two years before being wooed by Fort Lewis College’s Athletic Department to return to her hometown. As a result, Tokarczyk completed her degree in psychology at Fort Lewis while participating competitively on the school’s mountain biking team.

“I grew up doing BMX and raced until just a few years ago,” said Tokarczyk, who competed nationally and internationally in BMX, in 2007 winning the women’s 17-24 Cruiser Class at the Union Cycliste International BMX Championships in Canada. Though essentially retired from competitive racing, Tokarczyk continues to train and rode the Iron Horse Bicycle Classic in 2014.

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