

# JUST THE **FACTS**



MidAmerican Energy Company’s generation portfolio is comprised of coal, natural gas, wind, nuclear, hydroelectric and biomass. The company believes the best way to meet customers’ energy needs is to provide reliable, affordable and environmentally responsible energy through a diversified generation portfolio.

Iowa’s business and political leaders also have a strong interest in increasing the use of renewable energy sources in the state. As a result of their efforts, Iowa law now requires that each investor-owned, municipal and rural cooperative electric utility in the state offer its customers an opportunity to voluntarily contribute to the increased use of renewable energy in Iowa.

As a result of this legislation, MidAmerican Energy developed a voluntary customer contribution program, Renewable Advantage.

In 2007, MidAmerican Energy constructed a .5-megawatt wind turbine at the Iowa State Fairgrounds as the first project of Renewable Advantage.

Since 2007, MidAmerican Energy customers and employees have voluntarily contributed nearly \$600,000 to the Renewable Advantage program. In 2012, MidAmerican Energy partnered with the Iowa State Fair Blue Ribbon Foundation to use these contributions and federal grant money to construct several solar installations near our visitors center at the Iowa State Fairgrounds.

Future Renewable Advantage projects may involve wind, solar, biomass, animal waste/ methane or other renewable energy technologies, and will be determined by customer interest and participation.

Iowa customers can make a one-time or periodic contribution to Renewable Advantage or may indicate a contribution to Renewable Advantage through check-off boxes included on their MidAmerican Energy bill stubs January through October. Contributions are not tax-deductible and are nonrefundable.

Visit [www.midamericanenergy.com](http://www.midamericanenergy.com), or contact MidAmerican Energy at 888-427-5632 to contribute to or obtain additional information about Renewable Advantage. Non-participating customers will never pay higher rates as a result of the program.

