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News Release

LINDENFELSER APPOINTED SECOND VICE CHAIR OF MREA BOARD

Rockford, MN (May 5, 2015) — Duane “Butch” Lindenfesler, of Monticello, was appointed as an officer of the Minnesota Rural Electric Association (MREA) Board of Directors in February 2015 in the position of second vice chair.

A member of the board and representative of District 4 since 2013, Lindenfesler is eligible to run as representative again in 2016 for another three-year term.

Lindenfelser is a board member of Wright-Hennepin Electric Cooperative Association (WH), and represents District 2, and said his time spent on WH’s board has helped prepare him for his role with MREA.

“The experience I have on Wright-Hennepin’s board is a great advantage for me,” Lindenfesler said, “because the process that we have is so professional that it helps me guide the MREA board in that same professionalism.”

MREA is a nonprofit trade association serving Minnesota’s electric cooperatives. MREA provides legislative and regulatory representation, director and employee training programs, technical training for electric cooperative line workers, and serves as the focal point for the cooperatives to work together. There are 44 distribution cooperatives and six generation and transmission members of MREA.

WH is a member-owned non-profit electric utility that provides electric power to Wright County and the western part of Hennepin County. The cooperative has been a corporate citizen in this area since 1937 and currently serves more than 46,000 electric accounts. The utility started its security division in 1989 and provides local home security solutions as well as monitors alarm systems for almost 60,000 customers in 32 states and three Canadian provinces.

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