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News Release

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR WRIGHT-HENNEPIN'S ANNUAL MEETING ON MARCH 31

Rockford, Minn. (**February 22, 2016**) — Wright-Hennepin Cooperative Electric Association (WH) cordially invites all members to the cooperative's 79th Annual Meeting on Thursday, March 31. The event will be hosted at WH's headquarters located at 6800 Electric Drive in Rockford.

Registration begins at 4 p.m. with a complimentary pork chop dinner served from 4:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. Multiple informational booths are available for members to enjoy along with plenty of activities for all ages. A prize drawing will follow a short business meeting starting at 7 p.m. Free parking is available at WH, Our Father's Lutheran Church and the Rockford Mall, with a shuttle busing members to and from the event.

Business Meeting

This year's theme is "The Empowered Member." Information on the cooperative's performance in 2015 will be shared by CFO Angie Pribyl, WH Board Chairman Erick Heinz, WH Holding Board Chairman Timothy Young, and WH Holding COO Wendy Youngren. WH CEO and President Tim Sullivan will discuss the many options members have to control their energy decisions and costs.

Results of director elections in Districts 4, 6 and 8 will be announced at the end of the meeting. The grand prize drawing of a 2003 Chevy ½ ton 4WD pickup truck retired from WH's fleet will follow. Members are registered for the grand prize upon registration, and can also enter to win an array of prizes at many featured booths, including electronics, children's bikes, and much more. All members will receive a free pound of butter as an attendance gift at the end of the business meeting.

Free events and activities

• A local Girl Scout troop will share fun activities and crafts for children ages 2-10 from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

• Bingo will be available from 4:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. with plenty of prizes to win.

Informational booths

The event features various informational booths and displays where members are encouraged to browse and learn more about new products, services and energy-saving technologies.

- **Electric Vehicle Display:** Chat with a representative about the advantages of electric vehicles, and check out WH's Nissan Leaf.
- **Power Reliability:** Find out how our cutting-edge technology and programs help track, shorten and prevent outages.
- Off-Peak Programs: Receive information on electric home heating, cooling and moneysaving Off-Peak solutions.
- WH Solar: Find out all you need to know about our solar communities and other solar energy projects.
- Power Supply Booths: Great River Energy and Basin Electric Power Cooperative –
 WH's wholesale power suppliers will provide information about work taking place in the generation and transmission sectors of the industry.
- **MyMeter:** Take in a demonstration of a free online tool that can help you understand and manage your home's energy use, and learn about our new energy assessment service.
- WH Appliance Repair: Worried about your appliances? You can protect yourself from unexpected repair bills. Find out how at the WH Appliance Repair booth.
- **Customer Service:** Customer service representatives will be available to answer any questions you may have regarding your account.
- **Electric Safety:** Learn about important electrical safety precautions for your home.
- WH Security/Home Automation: See the latest in home security products at this booth, including the Control My Home Interactive System. It not only secures your home, but can also detect temperature changes, smoke, water damage and much more.
- HeatMyFloors.com: Learn all you need to know about underfloor electric radiant heating.
- **NextGen Boiler:** Dubbed the "boiler in a box," see how this product can simplify your radiant underfloor heating installation by stopping by the NextGen Boiler booth.
- Tree Trimming Services: Have a landscaping or tree trimming project coming up this spring? Consult with experts from WH Services.

- Community Involvement: Learn about our annual Youth Tour trip to Washington, D.C.
 offered to high school juniors, and how your Operation Round-Up donations help fund
 organizations in the community.
- **Co-op Connections:** Find all the different deals and locations where your Co-op Connections card can help you save.
- WH Rebates: Have a project for your home or business in mind? Peruse a list of rebates that can help you save money and conserve energy.
- **Director Booth:** Go straight to the sources, and meet with your board of directors to find out how they help your cooperative stay financially sound and provide reliable electricity and competitive rates.
- **LED Lighting:** Interested in \$0-down LED bulbs? Want to know the advantages of LEDs over CFLs and incandescent bulbs? This is your booth.
- **Politics and My Bill**: Talk with a representative from the Minnesota Rural Electric Association about the legislative issues affecting consumers.

Wright-Hennepin Cooperative Electric Association is a member-owned, non-profit electric utility that provides power to rural Wright County and western Hennepin County. The cooperative has been a corporate citizen to the area since 1937 and currently serves almost 50,000 electric accounts. It is headquartered in Rockford, Minn.