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## News Release

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### **WRIGHT-HENNEPIN COMPLETES FOURTH SOLAR COMMUNITY IN FOUR YEARS**

**Rockford, MN (January 23, 2017)** — Wright-Hennepin Cooperative Electric Association (WH) rang in the new year by energizing its fourth solar community in four years on January 5.

The 540-panel array is located on utility-owned, non-productive land beside WH's Willow Creek substation in Medina, Minn. It is expected to produce 200,000 kWh per year, which is enough to power approximately 17 homes.

WH maintains the solar communities and furnishes the costs for upkeep – thus providing a renewable energy option for members who otherwise could not implement such a system.

“As a member-owned organization, responding to our members wants and needs is job one,” said WH CEO Tim Sullivan. “Community solar allows us to provide clean energy options to members who want to reduce the cost and eliminate the hassle of installing and maintaining individual units. These projects are a great example of the Cooperative Difference in action.”

The cooperative has three other solar communities housed at its Rockford headquarters, the first of which was energized in September of 2013.

Wright-Hennepin Cooperative Electric Association is a member-owned, not-for-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 more than 50,000 electric accounts. It is headquartered in Rockford, Minn.



Wright-Hennepin's fourth solar community is mounted in Medina, Minn., near the cooperative's Willow Creek substation. It was energized on January 5, and consists of 540 panels that produce 200,000 kWh to members who subscribe to the program.

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