

Pierce Pepin Co-op directors achieve Board Leadership certification

Ellsworth, WI – Glenn Peterson and Richard Ruemmele, directors of Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services (PPCS), were recently recognized by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) for their completion of advanced, issues-oriented courses concerning the electric industry. Board Leadership certificates were presented to Peterson and Ruemmele by PPCS Chairman Ron Johnson at the co-op's board meeting on October 1.

The NRECA Board Leadership certificate recognizes individuals who continue their professional development after successfully completing the Credentialed Cooperative Director (CCD) program. Peterson received his CCD certificate in September 2002; Ruemmele in September 2005.

Today's electric utility environment imposes new demands on electric cooperative directors that requires increased knowledge of changes in the electric utility business, new governance skills and a working knowledge of the cooperative principles. PPCS is committed to work through NRECA to sharpen this body of knowledge for the benefit of its electric cooperative members.

Peterson was elected to the PPCS Board of Directors in March 2001 to represent District 1. Ruemmele, elected March 2003, represents District 9. Both are currently serving their third terms.

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About Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services

Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services is an energy services cooperative located in Ellsworth, Wisconsin, offering electric utility and appliance products and services to homes and businesses. PPCS also offers propane products and services through its subsidiary, Pierce Pepin Propane Services. As a Touchstone Energy Cooperative, Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services is committed to excellence, innovation and integrity, and is dedicated to helping its communities live better. For more information, call 1-800-924-2133 or visit www.piercepepin.com.