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## Tri-County Electric Co-op Directors Earn Credential in Electric Utility Competencies

**ALEDO (September 21, 2021)** – Three directors from Tri-County Electric Cooperative recently received the Credentialed Cooperative Director (CCD) certificate from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA). Mr. Kevin Ingle, district 1 director; Mrs. Margaret Koprek, district 2 director; and Mr. Jerry Walden, district 4 director, now hold the CCD credential.

An ever-changing business environment has imposed new demands on electric cooperative directors, requiring increased knowledge of changes in the electric utility business, new governance skills, and a solid knowledge of the cooperative principles and business model. Continued education and training help directors stay abreast industry changes and informed to make decisions in the best interest of the members.

NRECA's CCD program requires attendance and demonstrated understanding of the basic competencies contained in five core courses: Director Duties and Liabilities; Understanding the Electric Business; Board operations and Process; Strategic Planning; and Financial Decision Making.

Additionally, 12 employees and four members of the Committee on Nominations and Qualifications completed the program to gain further understanding of the board of director's duties.

Tri-County Electric Cooperative provides electricity to more than 124,400 meters on 9,480 miles of distribution lines. Tri-County Electric Co-op strives to enhance the quality of life in our diverse communities by providing safe, reliable and competitive electric and customer service to our member-owners as good stewards of the environment. The co-op, established in 1939, is a distribution electric cooperative that serves more than 98,300 members in 16 counties in the north Texas region.



From left: Kevin Ingle, Margaret Koprek and Jerry Walden.