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EEA Director Achieves Credential in Today's Electric **Utility Competencies**

Larry Archibeque Completes NRECA Director Curriculum

Cortez, CO - I am pleased to report Empire Electric Association District 7 Director Larry Archibeque recently completed the requirements for the Credentialed Cooperative Director certificate from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association.

Today's electric utility business environment is evolving at a fast pace and requires cooperative board directors to grow with it. The NRECA CCD program provides directors with the knowledge and skills required to serve consumer-members and covers the electric utility business, governance skills, and the cooperative principles and business model.

Earning the CCD certificate requires attending courses on and demonstrating knowledge of the following five core areas:

- **Director Duties and Liabilities**
- **Understanding the Electric Business**
- **Board Operations and Process**
- Strategic Planning Financial Decision Making

Larry also serves as EEA's representative on the Colorado Rural Electric Association's board. As a long-time resident of our area, I appreciate Larry's knowledge of our community and the perspective he brings to our board.

Please join me in congratulating Larry for completing the CCD certificate program and thanking him for his dedicated service to our consumer-members.

Josh Dellinger General Manager