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Subject: NIPCO Board Elects Officers

The board of directors of Northwest Iowa Power Cooperative elected officers at its annual meeting April 4 held at the Sioux City Convention Center.

Alan Lucken of Akron, Iowa, was re-elected president of the board. Other officers re-elected include Charles Widman of Bronson, vice president; Gilbert Phillips of Panora, secretary, and Louis Reed, Castana, treasurer.

Lucken, a member of NIPCO's board since 1993, represents North West REC. He has served as president of the board for 10 years.

Widman represents Woodbury County REC; Phillips, the Western Iowa Municipal Electric Cooperative Association, and Reed, Western Iowa Power Cooperative.

Other members of NIPCO's board of directors are Don Applegate of Oakland, representing Nishnabotna Valley REC; Marvin Klein of Dunlap, Harrison County REC, and Vernon Winterhof of Aurelia, representing Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative.

NIPCO is a generation and transmission electric cooperative headquartered at Le Mars. NIPCO provides wholesale electric power to six rural electric cooperatives, including Harrison County REC of Woodbine; Iowa Lake EC of Estherville; Nishnabotna Valley REC of Harlan; North West REC of Ida Grove, Le Mars and Orange City; Western Iowa Power Cooperative of Denison and Onawa, and Woodbury County REC of Merville; as well as to the cities of Anthon, Aurelia, Hinton, Manning, Mapleton and Onawa, which form Western Iowa Municipal Cooperative Association. Each of these seven cooperatives elects a director to sit on the NIPCO board.

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