

Electric Loan Program April 8, 2019

State	Sen.	Rep.	Recipient	Loans	Project Description
GA	Johnny Isakson, David Perdue	Austin Scott (08), Rick Allen (12)	Little Ocmulgee Electric Membership Corp.	\$14,103,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build 107 miles of line and invest \$357,000 in smart grid technologies. These improvements will benefit 1,152 consumers. Little Ocmulgee provides power to more than 11,000 residential, commercial and irrigation consumers over 2,057 miles of line.
MN	Amy Klobuchar, Tina Smith	Jim Hagedorn (01), Collin C. Peterson (07)	BENCO Electric Cooperative	\$25,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build or improve 158 miles of line and invest \$2.7 million in smart grid technologies to increase electric system efficiencies and grid security. BENCO provides electricity to more than 18,500 residential and commercial consumers over nearly 3,600 miles of line in 10 counties in south central Minnesota. Much of its service territory is farmland. Continued improvements in basic services such as schools, hospitals, roads and telecommunications is transforming the area into a regional center for medical care and retail shopping.
MO	Roy Blunt, Josh Hawley	Ann Wagner (02), Blaine Luetkemeyer (03), Vicky Hartzler (04), Emanuel Cleaver (05) Sam Graves (06), Jason T. Smith (08)	Central Electric Power Cooperative	\$72,153,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to finance electric distribution and transmission facilities. The upgrades will supply peak loads, conform to safety requirements and improve the reliability and resiliency of the transmission system. Central Electric also plans to construct backup control center facilities to ensure the continuity of operations in the event of catastrophe. It is a member-owned transmission electric cooperative that supplies power to eight electric distribution cooperatives. It serves approximately 187,000 residential and business consumers across 22,000 square miles in 28 counties in central Missouri.
MS	Roger Wicker, Cindy Hyde-Smith	Trent Kelly (01), Bennie G. Thompson (02), Michael Guest (03), Steven Palazzo (04)	Cooperative Energy	\$148,885,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to make environmental upgrades, replace gas turbines, build transmission lines and substations, and make other improvements. Cooperative Energy provides wholesale power to its 11 generation and transmission members in southern and western Mississippi. Its systems include more than 1,800 miles of transmission lines that connect with more than 56,000 miles of distribution line serving more than 498,000 meters. This partnership provides electricity that serves approximately 1 million Mississippians in 55 counties.
NC	Richard Burr, Thom Tillis	Vacant (03)	Albemarle Electric Membership Corp.	\$15,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build or improve 41 miles of line serving nearly 13,000 residential and industrial consumers. These funds will also be used for smart grid technologies to help Albemarle better manage the electric grid, improve operational efficiencies and manage loads, such as during peak demand. Albemarle serves five counties in northeast North Carolina.

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ND	John Hoeven Kevin Cramer	Kelly Armstrong (At Large)	Central Power Electric Cooperative	\$68,342,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build eight transmission lines, two substations, and make other system improvements. Central Power serves six distribution cooperatives that deliver power to more than 61,700 residential and business customers primarily in central and southeastern North Dakota.
NM	Tom Udall Martin Heinrich	Ben R. Lujan (03)	Syncarpha Eagle Nest 1	\$1,200,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to finance a 1.3 megawatt solar farm. The proposed facility will be located in the village of Eagle Nest in Colfax County.
SD and ND	John Thune, Mike Rounds (SD); John Hoeven, Kevin Cramer (ND)	Dusty Johnson (SD - At Large); Kelly Armstrong (ND - At Large)	Northern Electric Cooperative Inc.	\$24,825,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build or improve 360 miles of line to serve 232 consumers. The loan includes \$351,000 in smart grid technologies to increase system efficiencies and grid security. Northern Electric serves more than 6,300 consumers over 2,600 miles of line in 10 counties in northeastern South Dakota and one county in southern North Dakota. Its service area is primarily agricultural, although the area around Aberdeen, S.D., includes a significant amount of industrial and retail activity.
TX	Ted Cruz John Cornyn	Bill Flores (17)	Heart of Texas Electric Cooperative Inc.	\$31,254,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build or improve 1,597 miles of line to improve service to 2,582 consumers. The loan includes \$1.23 million in smart grid technologies. Heart of Texas serves 21,300 consumers over 3,750 miles of line.

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WI, IA, IL, MI and MN	Ron Johnson, Tammy Baldwin (WI); Charles Grassley, Joni Ernst (IA); Richard Durbin, Tammy Duckworth (IL); Debbie Stabenow, Gary Peters (MI); Amy Klobuchar, Tina Smith (MN)	Mark Pocan (WI - 02), Sean Duffy (WI - 07), Ron Kind (WI - 03), Abby Finkenauer (IA - 01), Steve King (IA - 04), Cheri Bustos (IL - 17), Jack Bergman (MI - 01), Jim Hagedorn (MN - 01), Angie Craig (MN - 02), Dean Phillips (MN - 03), Collin Peterson (MN - 07)	Dairyland Power Cooperative	\$84,760,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build 18 miles of transmission line and upgrade 174 miles. Dairyland also will make improvements at several generating plants. It is a non-profit generation and transmission cooperative that provides wholesale electric service to 24 distribution members and 17 municipalities in Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin. It has a diversified mix of generation resources consisting of coal, hydro, natural gas, wind, biomass, animal waste and solar. Its service territory is 59 percent residential, 15 percent small commercial and 26 percent large commercial. Dairyland's member cooperatives serve 263,000 consumers.
TOTAL				\$485,522,000	