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State	Sen.	Rep.	Recipient	Loan	Project Description
AL	Richard Shelby, Doug Jones	Martha Robey (2)	Wiregrass Electric Cooperative	\$23,460,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build 55 miles of line, improve 23 miles and make other system improvements. The loan amount includes \$1,119,281 for smart grid projects. Wiregrass is headquartered in Hartford. It serves 23,946 consumers over 3,115 miles of line in Coffee, Covington, Dale, Geneva, Henry and Houston counties in southeast Alabama. One of the counties in its service area, Dale, is considered an outmigration county.
AZ	John McCain, Jeff Flake	Raul Grijalva (3)	Trico Electric Cooperative	\$43,617,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build 225 miles of line, improve 57 miles and make other system improvements. The loan amount includes \$8,250,607 for smart grid projects. Trico is headquartered in Marana. It serves roughly 45,000 consumers over 3,800 miles of line. The service territory includes three counties surrounding the city of Tucson. The regional economy is dependent on residential retirement communities, agricultural production, mining and military spending.
CA	Dianne Feinstein, Kamala Harris; Ron Wyden, Jeff Merkley; Dean Heller, Catherine Cotez Mastro	Tom McClintock (CA-4); Greg Walden (OR-2); Dina Titus (NV-01)	Surprise Valley Electric Corp.	\$11,860,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build 24 miles of line, improve two miles and make other system improvements. The loan amount includes \$1,785,000 for smart grid projects. Surprise Valley serves 3,987 residential, 1,112 irrigation and 1,338 commercial consumers in four counties over 7,650 miles. This project serves customers in Lassen and Modoc counties in California; Lake County in Oregon; and Washoe County in Nevada.
CO	Michael Bennet, Cory Gardner	Ken Buck (4)	Mountain View Electric Association	\$82,152,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build 197 miles of line, improve 197 miles and make other system improvements. The loan amount includes \$2,668,290 for smart grid projects. Mountain View is headquartered in Limon. It serves nearly 50,000 consumers over 6,055 miles. Mountain View serves Arapahoe, Crowley, Douglas, Elbert, El Paso, Lincoln and Pueblo counties.
IA	Charles Grassley, Joni Ernst	David Young (3)	Farmers Electric Cooperative, Inc.	\$1,400,000	This Rural Development investment will be used for \$1,400,000 in smart grid projects. Farmers plans to install 5,802 single-phase meters and additional meter reading equipment. It serves 4,759 customers across six counties in west-central Iowa. Three counties are designated as outmigration counties. The economy of the service area is based on small business and agricultural sectors. Modest residential growth is expected over the next several years.

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IA	Charles Grassley, Joni Ernst	Steve King (4)	Harrison County REC	\$6,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build 20 miles of line, improve 57 miles and make other system improvements. The loan amount includes \$578,000 for smart grid projects. Harrison County serves 3,347 residential, 172 irrigation and 181 commercial consumers in five counties in southwest Iowa. Three of the counties are classified as outmigration counties. The economy is almost entirely agriculture oriented. The primary agricultural commodities in the region are corn and soybeans, and cattle and hog production.
KS	Pat Roberts, Jerry Moran	Roger Marshall (1)	Bluestem Electric Cooperative Inc.	\$9,755,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build 30 miles of line, improve 44 miles and make other system improvements. The loan amount includes \$144,000 for smart grid projects. Bluestem Electric is headquartered in Wamego. It serves 5,542 residential consumers, 1,364 commercial consumers and 201 irrigation systems. Bluestem provides service across nine counties, five of which are listed as out-migration counties, including Pottawatomie, Jackson, Wabaunsee, Riley, Marshall, Clay, Washington, Cloud and Ottawa.
MO	Claire McCaskill, Roy Blunt	Vicky Hartzler (4) Billy Long (7) Jason Smith (8)	Webster Electric Cooperative	\$21,350,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build 98 miles of line, improve 67 miles and make other system improvements. The loan amount includes \$280,000 for smart grid projects. Webster serves 17,291 residential and 879 commercial consumers over 1,946 miles in southwest Missouri. Its service territory includes Webster County, and parts of Greene, Christian, Dallas, Wright, Douglas, and Laclede counties. The economy of the service area is based primarily on agriculture, light industry, and moderate residential growth.
MO	Claire McCaskill, Roy Blunt	Vicky Hartzler (4)	Sac Osage Electric Cooperative	\$10,500,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build 32 miles of line, improve 14 miles and make other system improvements. The loan amount includes \$170,000 for smart grid projects. Sac Osage is headquartered in El Dorado Springs. It serves approximately 11,000 customers over approximately 2,400 miles in all or portions of nine counties in southwest Missouri. None of the counties served have been classified as outmigration or as persistent poverty counties. The service area is primarily agriculture and light industry.
NC	Richard Burr, Thom Tillis	Patrick McHenry (10)	Rutherford EMC	\$20,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build 112 miles of line and make other system improvements. Rutherford serves 62,207 residential, 1,427 seasonal and 5,015 commercial consumers across 10 counties in southwestern North Carolina.

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NC	Richard Burr, Thom Tillis	Walter B. Jones (3)	Cape Hatteras Electric Cooperative	\$7,584,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to relocate a 115kV line to coincide with the new Bonner Bridge. A station service transformer to change voltage levels will be included with the installation. Cape Hatteras' service territory is located on Hatteras Island in Dare County along the Outer Banks. It serves 7,700 consumers over 347 miles of line. This region is a significant tourist destination, and the service area is heavily dependent on tourism.
NM	Tom Udall, Martin Heinrich; Ted Cruz, John Cornyn	Stevan Pearce (NM-2); Ted Poe (TX-2)	Lea County Electric Cooperative	\$36,489,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build 73 miles of line, improve 57 miles and make other system improvements. The loan amount includes \$1 million for smart grid projects. Lea County is headquartered in Lovington. Its service area includes Lea, Eddy and Chaves counties in Eastern New Mexico and Yoakum, Cochran and Gaines counties in West Texas. The cooperative serves nearly 16,000 consumers over 4,254 miles of line.
OH	Sherrrod Brown, Rob Portman	Jim Jordan (4)	Midwest Electric	\$9,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build 22 miles of line, improve 51 miles and make other system improvements. The loan amount includes \$852,959 for smart grid projects. Midwest serves 9,819 residential, 609 seasonal and 248 commercial consumers across seven counties in the west central Ohio, spread over 1,612 miles. Only one county is classified as an outmigration county.
SD	John Thune, Mike Rounds	Kristi Noem (At Large)	FEM Electric Association	\$6,032,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build 58 miles of line, improve 77 miles and make other system improvements. The loan amount includes \$352,600 for smart grid projects. FEM serves 1,865 residential, 19 seasonal, 23 irrigation and 230 commercial consumers across seven counties in north central South Dakota over 2,060 miles. All of the counties served are classified as outmigration counties. The economy is almost exclusively agricultural. Livestock production of hogs and cattle and production of wheat, corn, soybeans and sunflowers are present in the area.
SD	John Thune, Mike Rounds	Kristi Noem (At Large)	Douglas Electric Cooperative	\$1,400,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build a new headquarters, a maintenance facility, a shop and a pole yard. Douglas serves 723 residential, 20 irrigation and 74 commercial consumers over 504 miles of line in five counties in southeastern South Dakota. Four of the counties -- Aurora, Charles Mix, Douglas and Hutchinson -- are designated as outmigration counties. Charles Mix County is also classified as a persistent poverty county. Farming is the principal economic enterprise in the service area.

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WA	Patty Murray, Maria Cantwell	Rick Larsen (2)	Orcas Power & Light Cooperative	\$18,195,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to build two miles of line, improve 66 miles and make other system improvements. The loan amount includes \$6,021,000 for smart grid projects. Orcas Power serves 13,025 residential and 2,061 commercial consumers over 1,300 miles of line to 20 islands in San Juan County. The economy of the area is based primarily upon agriculture and tourism. Agricultural activity includes many orchards where plums, apples and pears are grown. Grain production consists primarily of barley, oats, wheat and dry peas. In addition, sheep and alpacas are raised in the area.
TOTAL				\$308,794,000	