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### **Local Electric Co-op Director Achieves Credentials in Today's Electric Utility Competencies**

**(Arrington, VA)** CO-OP Lead, Frank Baber, from Central Virginia Electric Cooperative received the Credentialed Cooperative Director certificate from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA).

Frank Baber was recognized at NRECA's Region 1 & 4 meeting for his commitment to education and attainment of the Credentialed Cooperative Director certificate in front of more than 800 electric cooperative officials from Delaware, Indiana, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Today's electric utility environment imposes new demands on electric cooperative directors, particularly increased knowledge of changes in the electric utility business, new governance skills and a working knowledge of the cooperative principles. Electric co-ops in Virginia have a commitment to work through Statewide/NRECA to sharpen this body of knowledge for the benefit of their electric cooperative consumer-owners.

The NRECA Credentialed Cooperative Director (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 Roles and Relationships
- Strategic Planning
- Financial Decision Making

In addition to Mr. Baber's certification, CVEC Directors recently toured the Colleen Substation where CVEC Chief Operating Officer, Bruce Maurhoff, explained the operational aspects of a wide variety of electric equipment, including communications upgrades that will enhance service reliability to CVEC's members.

Headquartered in Lovingston, Central Virginia Electric Cooperative is a member-owned electric-distribution utility serving nearly 35,000 meters in 14 counties across central Virginia. For more information, visit [www.mycvec.com](http://www.mycvec.com).

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