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**July 12 deadline approaches for
Crawford Electric board petitioners**

Meet-the-candidates event set for July 25

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BOURBON – Individuals interested in serving on the Crawford Electric Cooperative board of directors have until 5 p.m. Wednesday, July 12, to get on the election ballot by submitting a nominating petition. Co-op members will have an opportunity to meet the candidates at an open house from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday, July 25, in the Crawford Electric community room. Early voting runs from Aug. 11-Sept. 11. The results of the director election will be announced in conjunction with the annual meeting of members on Sept. 13.

To be a candidate for a position on the board, a person must be a consumer-member of the cooperative whose permanent residence is in the co-op's service territory. In addition, the co-op bylaws list potential conflicts of interest that preclude an individual's candidacy. Candidate information packets are currently available at the co-op office (10301 N. Service Rd., Bourbon) or online at CrawfordElec.com. Members interested in running are encouraged to call the co-op for more information: 800-677-2667.

As a community-focused organization, Crawford Electric Cooperative is led by a board of nine locally elected consumer-members, who understand and listen to the community. The board sets policy and develops long-range goals, always safeguarding the interests of fellow co-op members. Each year, one-third of the board is up for election. The terms expiring this year are currently held by Janice Dorson of Sullivan (District 1), Debbie Willette of Sullivan (District 2) and Joe Cason of Cuba (District 3).

To get on the election ballot, a candidate must submit a nominating petition signed by at least 15 co-op members. The petition must be delivered to the co-op office during the official petition period, which began on May 10 and runs through the close of business on Wednesday, July 12.

Details on voting and the plans for this year's in-person annual meeting will be made available later in the summer in the member newsletter in the *Rural Missouri* magazine and on the co-op's website, www.CrawfordElec.com.

Crawford Electric Cooperative is a member of Touchstone Energy, a national alliance of locally owned, community-minded electric co-ops with high standards of service. Crawford Electric serves about 20,000 meters along almost 3,000 miles of distribution lines in Crawford, Franklin, Gasconade, Washington and Dent counties.