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## **SUNFLOWER HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING, ELECTS OFFICERS, AND MAKES ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES**

HAYS, KS —Holcomb Station was the host site for the 2005 annual meeting of Sunflower Electric Power Corporation. The Board of Directors received the annual report of the corporation, heard comments from invited guests, and elected officers for the coming year.

Following the Board's meetings, an organizational meeting was conducted by the Board to elect their leadership for the coming year. Charles Ayers who lives in Leoti, Kansas and represents Wheatland Electric Cooperative was re-elected to be Chairman of the Board of Directors. Larry Evans who lives in near Gove, Kansas and represents Western Cooperative Electric Association, was elected Vice Chairman.

Earl Watkins, Sunflower's President and Chief Executive Officer, in his report to the Board said, "While Sunflower's strong foundation is dependent on our core values, employees, and affiliated organizations, the vision and leadership of this Board of Directors make it possible for us to help the Member Systems serve the people at the end of the line who own the entire system."

Several organizational changes were also announced on Monday. Jim Hanks, Sunflower's Senior Vice President for Administration said, "The changes we're announcing today will help Sunflower continue to evolve to meet the challenges and opportunities we see on the horizon." The title changes and new individual responsibilities include:

Brad Schimke, Garden City, announced his resignation as Senior Manager, Power Production. He leaves Sunflower to pursue other opportunities. Earl Watkins, Sunflower's President and CEO said, "We thank Brad for his many years of service and wish him the best in his future endeavors."

As a result of Schimke's resignation, Steve Moss, Garden City, was promoted to Senior Manager, Power Production. He assumes the responsibility for the operation and maintenance of Sunflower's power production facilities.

Additional changes in responsibility include:

Kyle Nelson, Garden City, was promoted to Executive Manager, Power Production. In his new duties, Nelson assumes the overall responsibility for power production and new generation planning and development.

Bob Johnson, Hays, was promoted to Executive Manager, Engineering and Energy Services. Johnson will accept the additional responsibility for regulatory relations, billing and energy information.

Jana Horsfall, Garden City, was promoted to Senior Manager, Purchasing and Material Control. Horsfall has accepted the additional responsibility for the coordination and the purchase of coal and rail deliveries.

Noman Williams, Hays, was promoted to Executive Manager, Transmission Services as a result of his new responsibility for transmission operations, maintenance and policy.

Carroll Waggoner, Hays, Senior Manager, Transmission Policy, will devote all of his efforts on Sunflower's transmission interface with the Southwest Power Pool.

Clare Gustin, Hays, was promoted to Senior Manager, Economic Development and Member Services. Gustin will assume greater responsibility for federal legislative activities.

**About Sunflower—**

Sunflower Electric Power Corporation is a regional wholesale power supplier that owns and operates a 595 MW system of gas and coal-fired generating plants and a 1,200-mile transmission system for the needs of its six member cooperatives who serve 118,000 people spread throughout a 21,000 square mile area in western Kansas. Sunflower also provides power to regional utilities in western Kansas and in ten states. Visit Sunflower's website at <http://www.sunflower.net>