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Chet McWhorter has been selected as the new general manager of Cuming County Public Power District. The CCPPD board chose McWhorter after conducting a national search to replace current general manager Elwood Moore who is retiring after 16 years at Cuming County Public Power District.

Chet has served as the Line Superintendent and Safety Director at Ravalli Electric Cooperative in Corvallis, Montana for the past fifteen years.

Prior to his employment at Ravalli EC, Chet worked as a Journeyman Lineman for multiple utilities and contractors in Montana, Oregon, Colorado, and surrounding states. Chet holds a Bachelor of Applied Science degree in Energy Management and an Associate in Applied Science degree in Electric Power Technology both from Bismarck State College in Bismarck, North Dakota.

Chet has served on multiple safety committees and community boards. He has been the Area Administrator for the National Rural Electric Cooperatives Association Rural Electric Safety Achievement Program for Montana for the past ten years. Chet has volunteered for many years as a coach, referee, and board member for various sports clubs that ensure that children have the opportunity to participate in activities regardless of their financial conditions. He also has served on the Leadership Team and played guitar and sang on the Praise Team at Sleeping Child Church in Hamilton, Montana.

Chet and his wife Sheila have been married for 22 years. They have three daughters; D'Aarion, 20, who is a junior at the University of Montana and a member of the UM Cheer Team, Bailey, 18, who is a freshman at the University of Montana, and Cassidy, 15, who is a sophomore in high school. The McWhorter family loves the outdoors, hunting, fishing, riding ATVs and motorcycles, and playing music and singing.

Chet said, "Our family is extremely excited for this next chapter in our lives and are looking forward to becoming active members of the community in West Point and the Cuming County area."

McWhorter's first day at the District will be September 2nd. Plans are underway for a public introduction during Public Power Week in early October.

Cuming County Public Power District is a responsible, innovative, customer-oriented utility; which improves the quality of life for customers in Cuming County and the surrounding area, with a commitment to safe, equitable and reliable electrical service. CCPPD serves 3,864 total meters and serves customers in Cuming and portions of Burt, Colfax, Dodge, Wayne, Thurston and Stanton counties.