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## Press Release

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# McMahan joins economic development team at Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives

Ron McMahan has joined Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives' economic development team as Associate Economic Development Manager.

"Ron brings a winning personality, a wealth of knowledge and decades of experience to our statewide team. He clearly understands the importance of economic development success for improving the quality of life for citizens in rural Kentucky communities," said Rodney Hitch, Vice President of Economic Development. "He has a deep understanding of the many challenges our territories face and resources available that help rural areas secure business expansions and new company locations."

"I'm truly honored to join the EKPC team and am excited to help make great things happen throughout our service territory," McMahan said.

Since 2005, McMahan has been the Executive Director and CEO of Team Taylor County, promoting the Campbellsville-Taylor County community. He draws from nearly 30 years of experience in state and local economic development, with focus on business retention, expansion and relocation. Prior to joining Team Taylor County, he was a project development specialist for the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development.

McMahan earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Kentucky. He has completed professional development requirements through the Kentucky Institute for Economic Development, Oklahoma University Economic Development Institute, and the International Economic Development Council. He recently completed the Advanced Economic Development Leadership executive education program.



**Ron McMahan**

The 17 electric cooperatives that make up Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives work together to attract and retain jobs and investment for the communities they serve.

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In 2025, for the fourth consecutive year, Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives were named to the Top 20 Elite Utilities in Economic Development by Site Selection Magazine. They are past winners of the Projects With A Purpose Award from the Site Selectors Guild, as well as Excellence in Economic Development awards from the Southern Economic Development Council and the National Rural Economic Developers Association.

The German American Chambers of Commerce presented the co-ops with the Excellence in Economic Development award. The award recognizes the work of the electric cooperatives in promoting German-American business relations and supporting trade and investment between Germany and the United States

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Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives include 17 not-for-profit, member-owned electric cooperatives that serve more than 1 million Kentucky residents across 87 Kentucky counties.

They include:

- Big Sandy RECC, Paintsville, Ky.
- Blue Grass Energy, Nicholasville, Ky.
- Clark Energy Cooperative, Winchester, Ky.
- Cumberland Valley Electric, Gray, Ky.
- Farmers RECC, Glasgow, Ky.
- Fleming-Mason Energy, Flemingsburg, Ky.
- Grayson RECC, Grayson, Ky.
- Inter-County Energy Cooperative, Danville, Ky.
- Jackson Energy Cooperative, McKee, Ky.
- Licking Valley RECC, West Liberty, Ky.
- Nolin RECC, Elizabethtown, Ky.
- Owen Electric Cooperative, Owenton, Ky.
- Salt River Electric, Bardstown, Ky.
- Shelby Energy Cooperative, Shelbyville, Ky.
- South Kentucky RECC, Somerset Ky.
- Taylor County RECC, Campbellsville, Ky.
- East Kentucky Power Cooperative

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