Linn County Rural Electric Cooperative

5695 REC Drive • P.O. Box 69 • Marion, IA 52302-0069 • Phone: 319-377-1587 or 1-800-332-5420 • Fax: 319-377-5875

MEDIA RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Carrie Langridge Communications Coordinator 319-377-1587 (office) clangridge@linncountyrec.com

Power Restoration Ongoing After The Storm

MARION, Iowa – August 11, 2020, 8:00 am – Linn County REC line crews are continuing to work on the damage to our distribution system after a yesterday's storm. Power was restored to 10,000 member consumers in our southern service territory when transmission lines faults were corrected at 3:45 a.m. Restoration in other areas will not take place until the power supply comes back on.

We currently have over 19,000 members without power. We have called in outside crews from Missouri and northern lowa to assist Linn County REC crews in the power restoration efforts.

Since the damage to our system is so widespread, we are anticipating an extended outage period for our members. Therefore, please prepare if you have not done so already.

As a safety reminder, if you see a downed line or damaged utility equipment, contact us immediately. Make sure to keep people away. Always assume a downed line is energized.

###

Linn County Rural Electric Cooperative is a local, member owned, distribution electric cooperative in Marion, Iowa. Linn County REC provides electricity to 30,000 residential, commercial and agriculture members in Linn and Johnson counties with line extensions into Jones, Cedar, Iowa and Benton counties.