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Carroll and Martha Luten of Donaldson win Energy Efficiency Makeover

Little Rock, Ark. — July 29, 2008 — Carroll and Martha Luten of Donaldson, members of South Central Arkansas Electric Cooperative, are the winners of an energy efficiency makeover for their 1,517-square-foot home. The value of the makeover is up to \$50,000.

The Lutens' home will receive a complete pre- and post-diagnostic energy audit, including a blower door test and infrared thermography. The home will likely receive energy saving applications, including cellulose insulation, a Marathon water heater, a high efficiency heating and cooling system and insulated windows and doors.

More than 900 applications were submitted from across Arkansas. In addition to the grand prize winner, 16 runner-ups will receive a free 40-gallon high energy-efficient Marathon Water Heater.

“The Electric Cooperatives of Arkansas are dedicated to educating our members about energy efficiency and it will be wonderful to apply the energy-saving practices we promote to this member’s home,” said Doug White, vice president of systems services for the Electric Cooperatives of Arkansas. “The family will gain an energy-efficient home, but more importantly our 480,000 members will gain knowledge of methods to save money on energy costs. By applying a few energy-saving tips, consumers can make their homes far more comfortable.”

Winners of free 40-gallon Marathon water heaters are:

Susan Shields, Arkansas Valley Electric Cooperative of Ozark;
Debra Sharrick, Ashley-Chicot Electric Cooperative of Hamburg;
Donald Herring, C & L Electric Cooperative of Star City;
Jon Larson, Carroll Electric Cooperative of Berryville;
Mike Lambert, Clay County Electric Cooperative of Corning;
Vonavie Welch, Craighead Electric Cooperative of Jonesboro;
George Brock, Farmers Electric Cooperative of Newport;
Roger Emerson, Sr., First Electric Cooperative of Jacksonville;
Kathy Borden, Mississippi County Electric Cooperative of Blytheville;
Mary Weatherford, North Arkansas Electric Cooperative of Salem;
Don Hodnett, Ouachita Electric Cooperative of Camden;
Wilma Rowland, Ozarks Electric Cooperative of Fayetteville;
Carl Buckelew, Petit Jean Electric Cooperative of Clinton;
Jack Schultz, Rich Mountain Electric Cooperative of Mena;
Jimmy Martin, Southwest Arkansas Electric Cooperative of Texarkana; and
Donna Baty, Woodruff Electric Cooperative of Forrest City.

The Electric Cooperatives of Arkansas comprise 17 electric distribution cooperatives; Arkansas Electric Cooperatives Inc. (AECI), a Little Rock-based cooperative that provides various services to the distribution cooperatives; and Arkansas Electric

Cooperative Corp. (AECC), a generation and transmission cooperative. The distribution cooperatives provide electricity to more than 480,000 members, or customers, in Arkansas and surrounding states.

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