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●BRMEMC BOARD OPENS BOARD MEETINGS TO MEMBERSHIP●

YOUNG HARRIS – Blue Ridge Mountain EMC’s Board of Directors announced today that beginning with the November 16, 2017 Board of Directors Meeting all members in good standing of the Cooperative will be granted the opportunity to attend Board Meetings, and will also be able to petition to speak to the Board in a “Member Comments” portion of the meeting.

BRMEMC’s Board President, Mickey Cummings, stated that, “Our Members have asked that we open Board meetings so as to allow greater transparency into the operations of the Cooperative. Blue Ridge Mountain EMC has taken a number of steps in recent years to improve member involvement and transparency including posting financial and other important business-related documents on our website, holding Town Hall meetings across the region, and breaking out charges on member electric bills. Open meetings are the next step in this evolution, with the end goal of strengthening Member trust and demonstrating absolute accountability to our Member-owners.”

Information regarding the process by which Members can register to attend, as well as details for how Members should register to speak at the meeting are posted on the EMC’s website at www.brmemc.com/BoardMeetings. For Members who do not have web access, details and required forms can be obtained at the BRMEMC Headquarters office in Young Harris, GA. Other concerns and specific questions should be directed to BRMEMC’s General Manager, Jeremy Nelms.

Blue Ridge Mountain Electric Membership Corporation is a member-owned electric cooperative headquartered in Young Harris, Georgia, serving over 52,000 member-customers in Cherokee and Clay Counties in Western North Carolina, and Towns, Union and Fannin Counties in Northeast Georgia. Organized locally in 1937, BRMEMC has invested well over \$150 million in physical infrastructure in its mission to provide reliable electric and broadband services to its members where those services would not otherwise have been available.

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