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Medina EC Breaking Ground *New office to be constructed*

(Hondo, Texas) – 9/5/2017 – Medina Electric Cooperative board members, employees and community members from the Rio Grande City area gathered early on Tuesday, August 22, to break ground at the site of the cooperative's new Rio Grande City office.

The new office will be located at 601 N. FM 3167 at the intersection of Monarch Lane and FM 3167, near a DPS office and one of the Ideas schools in the area, and will replace the current Rio Grande City office. The project is slated to take 11 months to complete, and the cooperative's goal is to have the office staffed and operational by August of 2018. Cooperative Building Solutions (CBS) is managing the project for the cooperative.

During the groundbreaking, CEO Mark Rollans thanked everyone in attendance, making special note of the role Medina EC employees play in the area. “We’re invested in Rio Grande City and in the surrounding communities. Our employees are a major part of that – as a cooperative, we could not do it without the dedication of our employees.”

Medina Electric first began serving the Rio Grande City area out of a building at Fort Ringgold. The coop moved to the building at 2235 FM 755 in the 1970s, originally leasing it. In 1992, the cooperative purchased the building, and it is where they still office today.

With staff and equipment outgrowing the current office, the board of directors recognized the need for a new building. They began searching for a suitable location in the Rio Grande City area a few years ago. After reviewing many options, they settled on this piece of land adjacent to the Heritage Vista del Norte Subdivision and purchased it in 2015.

About Medina EC

Medina Electric Cooperative, Inc. is a not-for-profit electric distribution cooperative that provides service to more than 31,000 meters across nearly 11,000 square miles in 17 South Texas counties. Medina EC was established in 1938 to meet the great need for electricity in the area. If you would like more information on Medina EC, visit MedinaEC.org, www.facebook.com/MedinaEC, or follow them on Twitter @MedinaECTalks or Instagram (OurMEC).

Medina EC serves members in Atascosa, Brooks, Dimmit, Duval, Edwards, Frio, Jim Hogg, Kinney, LaSalle, McMullen, Medina, Real, Starr, Uvalde, Webb, Zapata and Zavala counties.

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