




**Jemez Mountains Electric  
Cooperative, Inc.**

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Today, the President of the Jemez Mountains Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s ("JMEC") Board of Trustees, Dennis Trujillo, issued the following statement in response to a Facebook post on the Espanola Voices Speak Up page:

JMEC Trustees are elected to the Board of Trustees to ensure the cooperative is well managed and provides reliable service at a reasonable cost to our members. Trustees oversee policy and strategic planning and the direction of the cooperative. As Trustees, we are not involved in the day-to-day operations of the cooperative. Daily operations are overseen by our CEO and General Manager, Joseph L. Sanchez.

Several years ago, the Board learned of concerns about Trustee conduct and took swift action to address those concerns. Among other actions, the Board limited certain Trustee's access to cooperative offices and participation in JMEC committees, ensured that all Trustees understood what state law and JMEC policies required of them, and provided additional training to all Trustees. Since that effort, JMEC has not had further complaints about inappropriate conduct or that there is a continuing pattern and practice of Trustee behavior that violates the law or cooperative policies.

The Board now has in its possession copies of texts that were not previously provided to JMEC. As Board President, I am committed to taking additional appropriate steps to ensure this conduct is in our past and that future behavior aligns with what Trustees, staff and members can rightly expect; namely, that all Trustees will act as fiduciaries who understand their role, conduct themselves appropriately, and are committed to doing what it best for our cooperative and its members.