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Watertown student awarded \$1,000 MRES scholarship

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. — Missouri River Energy Services (MRES) is proud to announce that Devon Snyder of Watertown, South Dakota has been selected as a recipient of the organization's \$1,000 scholarship. Snyder plans to major in finance at Colorado Christian University.

Each year, MRES awards up to five scholarships of \$1,000 each to high school seniors from MRES member utility service areas. The scholarships support students pursuing full-time undergraduate studies in fields relevant to the electric utility industry, including electrical engineering, mathematics, science, or other related fields such as accounting or communications. This scholarship may be renewed for up to three additional years for a total of \$4,000 over the course of the student's academic career.

"These bright young minds represent the future of our industry. They'll be the engineers, technicians, communicators and innovators who will be responsible for the electrical systems that power our communities for decades to come. By investing in their education today, we're investing in a more reliable and advanced electrical grid for tomorrow," MRES President and CEO Matt Schull said.

For more information about the MRES scholarship program, visit www.mrenergy.com/services/scholarships.

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About Missouri River Energy Services

Missouri River Energy Services (MRES) is a not-for-profit joint-action agency that provides wholesale electricity and energy-related services to 61 member municipalities in Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota. MRES is committed to enhancing the value of member utilities to their communities by supplying reliable, cost-effective, long-term energy and energy services in a fiscally responsible and environmentally sensitive manner.

About Western Minnesota Municipal Power Agency

Western Minnesota Municipal Power Agency (WMMPA) was incorporated on June 16, 1976, as a municipal corporation and political subdivision of Minnesota. WMMPA has a formal relationship with MRES through which WMMPA finances the construction and acquisition of the generation and transmission facilities for MRES members. MRES provides the administrative services to manage WMMPA's portfolios. WMMPA's membership includes most of the Minnesota members of MRES.