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Dairyland Power Cautions about Safe Access to Fishing Areas

La Crosse, WI— Dairyland Power Cooperative is cautioning area residents and the public about crossing railroad tracks to access fishing areas at its Alma Generating Site.

"Safety is Dairyland's greatest concern," said Alma Site Manager Brian Treadway. "We have become aware that individuals are crossing Dairyland property to gain access to the pond located within the rail loop. In doing so, some people have been crawling under and over trains that are periodically located on Dairyland property. This is an extremely unsafe practice, as the trains are routinely moved without warning during the unloading process."

To help ensure public safety, Dairyland is asking those fishing on the Mississippi River and nearby backwaters to avoid crossing railroad tracks on Dairyland property. The safer access point to the rail loop pond area is through the two culverts located on the south end of the Alma Site.

"Fishing is a great and popular past-time in all seasons in this area," said Treadway. "We are very concerned about the unsafe crossing and urge everyone to keep safety top-of-mind when enjoying recreation on the river."

About Dairyland Power Cooperative: Dairyland, a Touchstone Energy Cooperative, was formed in December 1941. Headquartered in La Crosse, Wis., Dairyland provides the wholesale electrical requirements for 24 distribution cooperatives and 17 municipal utilities. These cooperatives and municipals, in turn, supply the energy needs of more than a half-million people in the four-state service area. Today, the cooperative's generating resources include coal, natural gas, hydro, wind, solar and biogas. Dairyland delivers electricity via 3,200 miles of transmission lines and 300 substations located throughout the system's 44,500 square mile service area. Visit www.DairylandPower.com.