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WASHINGTON, D.C., NOV. 2, 1971 -- U.S. Senators Bob Dole and James Pearson announced today that Norton-Decatur Cooperative Electric, Inc. in Norton, Kansas has been awarded a \$695.000 REA loan.

The money will be used to finance 78 miles of distribution line to serve 152 new consumers, plus, 20 miles of 69-kilovolt transmisssion line and related facilities. The money will also be spent for the installation of two new substations with a combined capacity of 5,000 kVA at Norcatur and Webster.