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Cheloha Retires from Loup Power District

COLUMBUS, Neb. — Rick Cheloha retired from Loup Power District after more than 31 years of service.

Cheloha joined Loup in 1988 as a Second Assistant Plant Operator at the Columbus Powerhouse. In 1989, he was promoted to First Assistant Plant Operator and transferred to the position of Storekeeper II at the Columbus Service Center later that year.



Cheloha was promoted to Storekeeper I in 1990, and the following year he was promoted to New Business Supervisor.

As New Business Supervisor, Cheloha promoted heat pumps and energy efficiency to customers, contractors, engineers, architects, and distributors. He oversaw the EnergyWise program that Loup offers in partnership with Nebraska Public Power District. He also worked with key accounts and assists customers with billing concerns.

A native of Duncan, Cheloha is a graduate of Columbus High School. He earned an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Business Administration from Central Community College in Columbus. He earned the designation of CEM (Certified Energy Manager) in 1998 after successfully completing a comprehensive training program conducted by the Association of Energy Engineers.

Cheloha and his wife, Patty, are the parents of four children: Abby, Kelly, Katie, and Brad. They have five grandsons.

ABOUT LOUP POWER DISTRICT: For more than 80 years, Loup Power District has provided reliable, low-cost electricity to customers in Boone, Colfax, Nance and Platte Counties and part of Madison County. The District also provides economic development and five parks in these areas. More information about Loup is available at www.loup.com.