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**WTA Congratulates Ed Buchanan's Election as Chair of NECA Board of Directors**  
*Applauds Raymond Henagan's election as vice-chair*

**WASHINGTON, D.C. (January 14, 2015)** – WTA-Advocates for Rural Broadband congratulates Ed Buchanan of Interstate Communications located in Truro, Iowa on his election as Chairman of the Board of the National Exchange Carrier Association.

In addition, WTA applauds the selection of Raymond Henagan of Rock Port Telephone in Rock Port, Missouri to be the NECA board's vice-chair.

"We're pleased to hear that Ed and Raymond were chosen to serve in these capacities by their peers," said Kelly Worthington, WTA's Executive Vice President. "They've both been leaders in the industry for decades and will serve NECA well."

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*WTA represents more than 280 small, rural telecommunications carriers providing voice, video and data services in the United States. WTA's members serve some of the most rural and hard-to-serve communities in the country and are on the forefront of bringing 21st Century telecommunications services to rural America. To learn more about WTA, visit [www.w-t-a.org](http://www.w-t-a.org).*