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# Press Release

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## **STARHEIM SELECTED AS STUDENT LEGISLATIVE DELEGATE**

DELHI, NY, MARCH 26, 2010:



The Delaware County Electric Cooperative (DCEC) announces today the selection of Kristen Starheim of Jefferson Central School as their 2010 Student Legislative Youth Delegate. As a Youth Delegate, Kristen will represent DCEC at the upcoming National Rural Electric Cooperative Association Legislative Conference in Washington D.C. that is scheduled for May 2-5, 2010. Kristen is the daughter of Greg & Elaine Starheim of Stamford.

Each year, 11<sup>th</sup> grade sons and daughters of DCEC members are given the opportunity to apply and be considered to represent the cooperative at this national event. Students are selected based on their academic achievement, involvement in extra-curricular activities, letters of recommendation, and service to the community.

As a Youth Delegate, Kristen will accompany DCEC officials to Washington D.C. She will join representatives from 900 other rural electric co-ops in meetings with Congressional leaders on Capitol Hill to discuss critical issues facing the energy industry.

DCEC is a non-profit, rural electric cooperative utility serving over 5,200 residential, commercial and industrial members/customers throughout Delaware, Schoharie, Otsego and Chenango Counties. Rural electric cooperatives represent the largest utility association nationally servicing over 65% of the U.S. geography and over 17% of the U.S. population.

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