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Berkshire Wind Power Cooperative Corporation Awards Scholarships to Mount Greylock Students

LUDLOW, Mass. – July 18, 2022 – The Berkshire Wind Power Cooperative Corporation (BWPC) has selected two students from the Mount Greylock Regional High School class of 2022 to receive \$1,000 scholarships. The scholarships are awarded to qualifying seniors who are planning to attend either a two- or four-year college or trade school program.

This is the inaugural year of the BWPC scholarship program. The BWPC owns and operates the Berkshire Wind Power Project, a 12 turbine, 19.6-megawatt wind farm located on Brodie Mountain in Hancock and Lanesborough, Mass. The non-profit BWPC consists of 16 municipal utilities located in Ashburnham, Boylston, Chicopee, Groton, Holden, Hull, Ipswich, Marblehead, Paxton, Peabody, Russell, Shrewsbury, Sterling, Templeton, Wakefield, and West Boylston, and their joint action agency, the Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company (MMWEC).

This year's scholarship recipients are Maisie Dufour and Rosario Larios Sontay.

Dufour plans to study communications at Michigan State University. While attending Mount Greylock, she has served as secretary of the National Honor Society and was a recipient of the Smith College Book Award. She also was a member of the Yearbook club, Youth Environmental Squad, and the Register, Educate, and Vote club.

Larios Sontay will attend the University of Massachusetts Amherst in the fall and major in business. While in high school, she was a member of the National Honor Society and participated on the soccer, basketball, and tennis teams. She also volunteered for Habitat for Humanity and the Berkshire Human Society.

“We are proud to support the 2022 Berkshire Wind Power Cooperative Corporation scholarship recipients, who have demonstrated hard work and resiliency during their high school years,” said MMWEC Chief Executive Officer Ron DeCurzio. “We wish them continued success during their collegiate journeys.”

Since 1998, MMWEC has awarded \$58,000 in scholarships to help students defray the cost of higher education.

MMWEC is a non-profit, public corporation and political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts created by an Act of the General Assembly in 1975 and authorized to issue tax-exempt debt to finance a wide range of energy facilities. MMWEC provides a variety of power supply, financial, risk management and other services to the state's consumer-owned, municipal utilities.

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