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USDA Rural Development Announces Chief of Staff for Rural Housing Service

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4, 2017 – Assistant to the Secretary for Rural Development Anne Hazlett today announced the appointment of Curtis Anderson as Chief of Staff for Rural Development’s Rural Housing Service.

Anderson has more than 25 years’ executive leadership experience in strategic planning, organizational development, and performance improvement for medium- to large-sized organizations in both the public and private sectors. Most recently, Anderson worked as a strategic advisor and business coach for telecommunications associations and companies, specializing in program and legislative issues. Prior to that, Anderson served as the Deputy Administrator for USDA Rural Development’s Rural Utilities Service, managing \$10 billion in annual grants and loans for rural electrification, telecommunications, and water and waste infrastructure. With additional experience at Farm Credit and the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture, Anderson has a passion for serving rural communities.

As Chief of Staff for the Rural Housing Service, Anderson will supervise the day-to-day operations of an agency with more than 100 staff and a \$29 billion annual budget. Rural Development invests these funds through loans, grants and mortgage guarantees to help thousands of America’s families access affordable housing, and to help rural communities in all 50 states invest in essential community facilities such as schools, hospitals and infrastructure.

This leadership change is effective December 4, 2017. USDA Rural Development encourages partners and stakeholder groups to reach out to Anderson in his new role to build on existing partnerships and facilitate new relationships.

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