



**RANGE TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE**

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## **RANGE COMPANIES ANNOUNCE NEW CEO**



FORSYTH, MT (May 7, 2018) – The Board of Directors of the Range Companies is pleased to announce the selection of Rob Johnstone as the new chief executive officer for the corporation. The Range Companies consist of Range Telephone Cooperative in Forsyth, MT; Advanced Communications Technology in Sheridan, WY; RT Communications in Worland WY; and Dubois Telephone Exchange in Dubois, WY.

Rob has been with the Range Companies for the past 12 years, with much of that time spent as chief marketing officer. Rob has shown strength in building solid relationships with associates and customers, he is community and industry minded with a focus on teamwork and moving the corporation in a positive, growing direction.

"I'm excited for the opportunity to establish the Range Companies as a leader in the industry in technology solutions with a focus on the customer experience," says Rob, "the Range Companies can have an important role assisting economic development, along with community partners, that will strengthen the areas where we live and work".

Rob has built a solid network of professionals within the telecommunications industry and is currently a member of the NTCA National Marketing Committee and serves on the Board of the Montana Telecommunication Association. Rob obtained his education in marketing and finance at the University of Montana School of Business in Missoula, MT.

Rob, his wife, and their twin sons reside in Forsyth, MT. Both sons will be attending the University of Montana in the fall, studying business and competing on the Griz Track and Field team.

### **About Range Telephone Cooperative**

Range Telephone Cooperative, Inc. is a local exchange carrier providing telecommunication services to southeastern Montana and northeastern Wyoming. Established in 1953 as a non-profit cooperative, Range currently serves over 6,000 subscribers in eighteen telephone exchanges. Included in that area are the six Montana counties of Rosebud, Treasure, Custer, Powder River, Carter and Big Horn, and the five Wyoming counties of Campbell, Johnson, Weston, Sheridan and Crook.

Forty-four full-time employees are currently stationed at the headquarters office in Forsyth, Montana and the surrounding central office locations throughout Range's service area. For more information about Range Telephone Cooperative, please visit [www.rangetel.coop](http://www.rangetel.coop).

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