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### **2009 Hardee Preview Show set for December 11 & 12 in Wauchula, Florida**

Wauchula, Florida, Wednesday, November 4, 2009 –

Cattle Show enthusiasts across the state of Florida won't want to miss the 2009 Hardee Preview Show, December 11-12 in Wauchula, Florida. This event, sponsored by Peace River Electric Cooperative, is a family-friendly opportunity for all ages. Starting with the free clinic on Friday, the show provides an excellent opportunity for cattle exhibitors to prepare for their local County and State Fairs. The Friday and Saturday event, to be held at the Hardee Fairgrounds Cattlemen's Arena, Wauchula, features five divisions, including a steer division.

All of the top prizes are sponsored and 100% of entry fees are paid out to division and showmanship winners as prize money. "We are thrilled to host this event and are very excited about the showmanship competition. In this show, participants will get to help their younger brother or sister exhibit their animal, while giving their parents pointers in Adult showmanship," said Nell McCauley, Chief Marketing and Member Services Officer, Peace River Electric. She adds, "Every participant in the show will receive a Hardee County Preview Show Shirt and will walk out of the ring with more experience and at least a ribbon."

In addition to the cattle show, a free dinner and grooming clinic will be offered on Friday night.

Purebred animals will be shown by age, with steers and commercial heifers shown by weight.

A wide range of Divisions and Classes are available:

Division 1 - Brahman, Brangus, Brahman influence

Division 2 - French – Simmental, Gelbvieh, Charolais, Limousin

Division 3 - English – Angus, Hereford, Shorthorn

Division 4 - Maine, Maine influence, Chi influence, Limousin cross

Division 5 - Steers

Any Purebred with 20 or more head will have their own breed show. (20 head of heifers or 20 head of bulls).

The entry deadline for cattle is November 30, 2009. All late entries will be charged a \$10 per head late fee, if postmarked after November 30<sup>th</sup>. Late entries will be accepted at check-in, but must be paid in cash.

For more information about the Hardee County Preview Show or to download an application, log on to [www.preco.coop](http://www.preco.coop) or [www.ruddshowsupply.com](http://www.ruddshowsupply.com). Contact Preview Show Directors, Wendy Petteway at 863-781-3986 or Tim McCauley at 803-983-6608.

Peace River Electric Cooperative (PRECO), a Touchstone Energy® distribution electric cooperative headquartered in Wauchula, Florida, provides electric service and energy solutions to nearly 35,000 member/consumers in 10 Florida counties in central Florida: Brevard, DeSoto, Hardee, Highlands, Hillsborough, Indian River, Manatee, Osceola, Polk and Sarasota Counties. Through almost 4,000 miles of power lines, the electric cooperative has been in business since 1940 as a member-owned, not-for-profit organization.

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