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## **BrightRidge posts zero lost time accidents in 2017**

**JOHNSON CITY** – BrightRidge employees avoided lost-time workplace injuries in 2017, posting zero lost work time injuries for the year.

“This is an outstanding accomplishment for any company,” BrightRidge CEO Jeff Dykes said. “Our employees, who work in a high-risk industry, operate with great skill, knowledge and attention to detail as they perform their daily tasks in our communities. On behalf of our Board of Directors, we thank every team member who puts safety first every day.”

BrightRidge hosts monthly safety meetings to disseminate the latest on policies, programs and personal protective equipment as well as gain input from employees themselves on how safety features can be improved.

BrightRidge, like many electric retailers, also features an apprentice program that helps guide personnel as they learn the ropes in as secure an environment as possible.

“Safety is a team effort and it all begins with communication,” BrightRidge Safety Manager Donnie Hall said. “This is the second time in the past five years our employees have achieved Zero Lost Time Accidents. Congratulations to all our employees for making BrightRidge a safe place to work!”

BrightRidge is the 10th largest retailer in the Tennessee Valley Authority system, and serves about 78,000 customers in Washington, Sullivan, Carter and Greene counties.

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