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Taste of the South to run on Santee Cooper Green Power

MONCKS CORNER, S.C. – The 2nd annual Taste of the South, hosted by the Little River Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center, will include a taste of going green this year: the event will be powered by Santee Cooper Green Power.

Highlighting community businesses in the Little River area, the Taste of the South will be a culinary delight with restaurants and businesses offering samplings of their signature Southern fare. The Taste of the South takes place from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 26, at the North Myrtle Beach High School.

“We are excited to be cooking with Santee Cooper to ensure all the electricity needs of the Taste of the South will be produced with Green Power,” said Jennifer Walters, executive director of the Little River Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center. “Green Power is clean, renewable energy generated from resources right here in South Carolina. Now that’s what I call a recipe for success!”

Santee Cooper generates 28 megawatts of renewable Green Power from clean, renewable energy sources including landfill biogas, solar and wind energy. It was the first utility to generate and sell Green Power, beginning in 2001 with the Horry County Landfill Generating Station. When an event like the Taste of the South purchases renewable power, that money is fully reinvested in new or expanded Green Power generation by Santee Cooper.

“Santee Cooper is South Carolina’s leader in renewable energy, and we’re pleased the Little River Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center has made the Taste of the South a Santee Cooper Green Power Event,” said Marc Tye, Santee Cooper vice president of conservation and renewable energy. “Using Green Power is a great way for the chamber to show its commitment to the community.”

The Little River Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center’s commitment to Little River is to promote community improvement, tourism and commerce by proactive leadership and community involvement. For more information on the Taste of the South, visit www.littleriverchamber.org.

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