

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## FORM 424B3

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#### **NATIONAL RURAL UTILITIES COOPERATIVE FINANCE CORP /DC/**

CIK: **70502** | IRS No.: **520891669** | State of Incorporation: **DC** | Fiscal Year End: **0531**  
Type: **424B3** | Act: **33** | File No.: **333-62048** | Film No.: **1697204**  
SIC: **6159** Miscellaneous business credit institution

Mailing Address  
2201 COOPERATIVE WAY  
HERNDON VA 20171-3025

Business Address  
2201 COOPERATIVE WY  
C/O WOODLAND PARK  
HERNDON VA 20171-3025  
7037096700

PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 2896 DATED August 3, 2001  
TO PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENTAL DATED June 14, 2001  
AND BASE PROSPECTUS DATED June 13, 2001

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|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Issuer:                      | National Rural Utilities CFC |
| Principal Amount:            | \$300,000.00                 |
| Issue Price:                 | 100% of Principal Amount     |
| Original Issue Date:         | 08/08/01                     |
| Maturity Date:               | 04/15/03                     |
| Interest Rate:               | 4.39% per annum              |
| Record Dates:                | Each January 1 and July 1    |
| Interest Payment Dates:      | Each January 15 and July 15  |
| Redeemable Date:             | None                         |
| Agents Commission:           | None                         |
| Form of Note:                | Certificated                 |
| (Book-Entry or Certificated) |                              |
| Other Terms:                 | None                         |

Medium-Term Notes, Series C may be issued by CFC in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$12,050,000,000 and, to date, including this offering, an aggregate of \$10,751,160,000 Series C have been issued.