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PSC Recognizes “Lifeline Awareness Week,” September 14-20, 2015

Madison- The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC) wants residents to “stay connected” and is reaching out to those who need assistance paying for phone service. During “Lifeline Awareness Week,” September 14-20, the PSC gives special recognition to the Lifeline Assistance Program which offers discounts to help residents have access to basic local telephone service.

“Now more than ever, it’s critical to be connected,” said PSC Chairperson Ellen Nowak.

“Lifeline helps low income consumers connect to community resources, find jobs, access health care services, connect with family, or call for help in an emergency.”

Under the federal Lifeline program, telephone customers who participate in or are eligible for certain public assistance programs are entitled to receive a basic telephone service discount of at least \$9.25 per month. More information on program eligibility, rules and key messages is available at <http://www.fcc.gov/lifeline/outreach>.

To apply for benefits contact your local telephone company or the Wisconsin Public Service Commission at 608-266-5481.

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