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## MARSHFIELD UTILITIES RECOGNIZED AS A RELIABLE PUBLIC POWER PROVIDER

[Marshfield, WI, April 12, 2019]— Marshfield Utilities has once again earned a Reliable Public Power Provider (RP<sub>3</sub>)® Diamond (highest possible) designation from the American Public Power Association for providing reliable and safe electric service. Aaron Haderle, Manager of Transmission and Distribution Operations at Kissimmee Utility Authority, Florida and chair of the Association's RP<sub>3</sub> Review Panel, presented the designations on April 1 during the Association's annual Engineering & Operations Technical Conference held in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

The RP<sub>3</sub> designation, which lasts for three years, recognizes public power utilities that demonstrate proficiency in four key disciplines: reliability, safety, workforce development, and system improvement. Criteria include sound business practices and a utility-wide commitment to safe and reliable delivery of electricity. Marshfield Utilities joins more than 270 public power utilities nationwide that hold the RP<sub>3</sub> designation.

"Receiving an RP3 designation is a great honor. It demonstrates that a utility strives for a high level of service and is constantly looking to improve," said Haderle. "Aside from demonstrating reliability, these designated utilities have shown commitment to system improvement, safety, and developing a strong and sustainable workforce."

"This is a great honor," said Nicolas Kumm, General Manager of Marshfield Utilities. "We take a lot of pride in the work we do to power our community. It's nice to be recognized as among the 'best of the best' on a national level."

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The American Public Power Association has offered the RP<sub>3</sub> designation for 14 years now. The Association is the voice of not-for-profit, community-owned utilities that power 49 million people in 2,000 towns and cities nationwide. The Association advocates and advises on electricity policy, technology, trends, training, and operations.