



**Stoughton Utilities**

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*Serving Electric, Water & Wastewater Since 1886*

# News Release

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### **STOUGHTON UTILITIES RECOGNIZED FOR RELIABLE SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY**

Stoughton Utilities has received national recognition for achieving exceptional electric reliability in 2017. The recognition comes from the American Public Power Association (APPA), a trade group that represents more than 2,000 not-for-profit, community-owned electric utilities.

APPA helps members track outage and restoration data, and then compares the data to national statistics tracked by the U.S. Energy Information Administration for all types of electric utilities.

“This recognition helps demonstrate public power’s commitment to reliable electric service,” said the Association’s Senior Vice President of Engineering Services, Michael Hyland.

Public power has a strong track record of reliability, said Hyland. In 2017, customers in the United States for all electric utilities were without power for an average of 129 minutes. Nationwide, the average public power customer has their lights out for less than half the time, compared to other types of utilities. The average Stoughton resident experienced only one outage, and was without power for just 36 minutes throughout all of 2017.

“We are proud to receive this recognition. It is a testament to the hard work of all our staff to ensure that the lights stay on for all our customers,” said Robert Kardasz, Director at Stoughton Utilities.

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Founded in 1886, Stoughton Utilities serves electric customers in Stoughton and the surrounding area, and wastewater and water customers in Stoughton.