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## Sun Prairie Utilities Recognized as Industry Leader

*Award designed by WPPI Energy to recognize model utilities*

Sheboygan, Wis. — Sun Prairie Utilities, the community's locally owned, not-for-profit municipal water and electric utility, participated in the WPPI Energy Annual Meeting on Sept. 14 in Sheboygan, Wis. The utility is a member-owner of WPPI Energy, a not-for-profit wholesale energy provider and joint action agency.

The Utility Leadership Award recognizes an electric utility that is a member of WPPI Energy and displays excellence in advancing strategic initiatives, provides leadership and benefits to other member utilities, and supports public power and joint action.

Accepting the award on behalf of the utility was Utility Manager Rick Wicklund.

A willingness to create new pathways perfectly characterizes Sun Prairie Utilities. As one of the fastest growing municipal utilities in the state, SPU is always at the forefront of innovation and adoption of new technologies.

Once successful, the utility willingly serves as a resource for other member communities looking to learn more. And that is the benefit of WPPI Energy member-owners engaging in joint action. The nomination for the award came from Hartford Utilities General Manager Brian Rhodes, who said Sun Prairie Utilities staff volunteer regularly throughout the community together and the utility "is continuously a model to follow when delivering programs to and connections with" its customers.



**Photo:** WPPI Energy President and CEO Mike Peters, left, and Board Chair Jim Stawicki, right, stand with Sun Prairie Utilities staff, including (back, from left) Customer Service Manager Dave Euclide, Utility Manager Rick Wicklund, Commissioner John Andres, and (front, from left) Operations Administrative Assistant Lori Ewoldt and Communications Coordinator Cora Seibt, as they hold the Utility Leadership Award presented to them Thursday during the WPPI Energy Annual Meeting in Sheboygan.

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Sun Prairie Utilities is a municipally owned and operated utility, serving roughly 36,600 customers in Sun Prairie, Wis., since its founding in 1910. As a member-owner of WPPI Energy, the utility joins forces with 50 other public power utilities to share resources and provide reliable, affordable electricity to more than 200,000 homes and businesses in Wisconsin, Michigan's Upper Peninsula, and Iowa.

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