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EXPERIENCED TRAINERS JOIN MEUW TO KEEP WISCONSIN LINEWORKERS SAFE

SUN PRAIRIE, Wis. – Municipal Electric Utilities of Wisconsin has hired two new Electric Utility Safety and Training Coordinators to provide on-the-job training to lineworkers and other electric personnel for Wisconsin’s public power utilities. Randy Larson and Mark Zielsdorf joined MEUW in early August and both bring an extensive background training electric workers.

“Municipal electric utilities across Wisconsin count on MEUW to help keep their workers safe on the job,” said Tim Heinrich, MEUW Executive Director. “We are thrilled to welcome Randy and Mark to MEUW. Their training skills and lineworker experience will bring immediate benefit to our member utilities as we work to develop customized training programs to meet the unique needs of our communities – both large and small.”

“Keeping workers and the public safe is a priority for every electric utility, and it’s a responsibility municipal utilities take very seriously,” said Mike Czuprynko, MEUW Manager of Safety Services. “Adding Randy and Mark to the MEUW safety team solidifies our role as a leading provider of high-quality, employee-focused safety services in Wisconsin. The credibility they bring as trainers because of their linework and teaching experience is unmatched and will help municipal utilities continue to achieve outstanding safety records.”

Larson has more than 25 years’ experience as an apprenticeship lineworker instructor for Chippewa Valley Technical College. Prior to becoming an instructor, Randy was a journeyman lineman for Richland Center Utilities. Zielsdorf has two years’ experience as a job training instructor, including one year previously with MEUW, beginning in May 2016. Prior to becoming an instructor, Mark was lineman and lineman supervisor for Upper Peninsula Power Company and had previously worked as a lineman for Wisconsin Public Service Corp. in Sturgeon Bay for more than 16 years.

About MEUW

Formed in 1928, MEUW is the state association providing safety services, leadership and management training, advocacy, and member support to the 81 municipal electric utilities across Wisconsin. Collectively, these public power utilities distribute more than 11 percent of the electricity in Wisconsin and most have century-old roots serving their communities. Municipal utilities operate on a not-for-profit basis overseen by a local governing board composed of local citizens and elected officials. To learn more, visit meuw.org.

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