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City of Rocky Mount celebrates Lineworker Appreciation Day

Rocky Mount, N.C. – On April 10, 2013, the U.S. Senate passed a resolution recognizing April 18 as National Lineworker Appreciation Day. The city of Rocky Mount Energy Resources department joins utilities across the country in recognizing lineworkers and the contributions of these brave men and women who protect public safety and work to keep the power on.

Lineworkers are often the first responders during storms and other catastrophic events in order to make the scene safe for other public safety heroes. They work under dangerous conditions and put their lives on the line every day with little recognition regarding the danger of their work.

“We’re grateful for the opportunity to honor our lineworkers for their hard work and dedication to public safety,” says Chris Beschler, director of Energy Resources. “They work long hours, often during severe weather, to provide safe, reliable power for our customers. On April 18, we will join the nationwide campaign to show our appreciation to lineworkers for their service to our community.”

Energy Resources currently employs 35 lineworkers who maintain 782 miles of overhead and underground electric transmission and distribution lines.

The city invites the public to thank our lineworkers for the work they do by posting to the Energy Resources Facebook page at www.facebook.com/RockyMountEnergyResources.

About Rocky Mount

The city of Rocky Mount, located in the Coastal Plains of North Carolina, was incorporated in 1867 and lies in Edgecombe and Nash Counties. Rocky Mount is a two-time All-America City on the Tar River. Serving as the Gateway to Eastern North Carolina, the city's 875 employees serve approximately 58,000 residents daily.

The city’s mission is to advance community well-being, safety and quality of life by delivering excellent public services and actively collaborating with the community toward a fulfilling and inspired future for its citizens. As a publicly owned utility, the city of Rocky Mount is committed to safe, reliable service for its customers and operates in Nash and Edgecombe counties, providing customers with electricity, natural gas, water, wastewater (sewer), refuse, recycling and/or stormwater services. To learn more, visit www.rockymountnc.gov for news and updates.

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