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*Pictured are lineworkers in the city of Rocky Mount Energy Resources department*

## **City of Rocky Mount celebrates Lineworker Appreciation Day**

**Rocky Mount, N.C.** – On April 18, 2022, the city of Rocky Mount Energy Resources department is joining communities across the country in celebrating National Lineworker Appreciation Day. This day of recognition honors the contributions of lineworkers who protect public safety and work to keep the power on.

On April 10, 2013, the U.S. Senate passed a resolution recognizing April 18 as National Lineworker Appreciation Day. The resolution recognizes that lineworkers work under dangerous conditions and put their lives on the line every day with little recognition regarding the danger of

their work. Lineworkers are often the first responders during storms and other catastrophic events in order to make the scene safe for other public safety heroes.

Lineworkers are the first to respond during severe weather or other emergencies that cause outages. Their work is very dangerous, and they often work long hours behind the scenes to make sure customers have reliable power.

“On April 18, we take the opportunity to honor and recognize our lineworkers for all their hard work and dedication to safely maintaining the city’s electric system,” says Chris Beschler, director of Energy Resources. “We’re grateful for our lineworkers and all our employees who work so hard to provide reliable power for our community.”

Energy Resources currently employs 34 lineworkers who maintain 787 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](http://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](http://www.rockymountnc.gov) for news and updates.

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