



Grantsburg Telcom joins FCC Chairman in extending “Keep Americans Connected” pledge until July 1

Free drive-up Wi-Fi hotspots to remain open throughout summer

Grantsburg, WI — Grantsburg Telcom, the area’s leading communications provider for western Burnett and northwestern Polk counties announced today that it will continue to participate in the extended Keep Americans Connected pledge through June 30, as requested by Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai.

As of May 1, 2020, Grantsburg Telcom joined with other local broadband providers across the country by extending its commitment through June 30 to:

1. not terminate service to any residential or small business customers because of their inability to pay their bills due to the disruptions caused by the coronavirus pandemic;
2. waive any late fees that any residential or small business customers incur because of their economic circumstances related to the coronavirus pandemic; and
3. open its Wi-Fi hotspots to any American who needs them.

In addition to the above pledge, Grantsburg Telcom, in partnership with Grantsburg School District, provided free Internet access for the remainder of the school year to any K-12 household that didn’t previously have access to the district’s online learning classes.

“We are proud to continue to support our communities, especially during this current pandemic,” said general manager Terry Kucera. “We realize how important the internet has become for everyone—especially those that are participating in online learning or working from home,” Kucera said.

For more information about the Keep Americans Connected initiative and updates, please visit the FCC website at www.fcc.gov/keep-americans-connected.

For more information about free drive-up Wi-Fi hotspots or other services, call Grantsburg Telcom at 715-463-5322 or email office@grantsburgtelcom.com.

About Grantsburg Telcom

Grantsburg Telcom (www.grantsburgtelcom.net) and its parent company Farmers Independent Telephone Company has served Grantsburg, Falun, Trade Lake and the surrounding areas with advanced communications services since 1907.