

PSC: Accepting applications for Wisconsin's Refueling Readiness Grant Program

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MADISON – The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC or Commission) is now accepting applications for the fourth round of Wisconsin's Refueling Readiness Grant Program. The program is designed to facilitate the fueling of emergency vehicles during a major power outage or declared emergencies.

The Commission is expected to award up to \$150,000. Funding will be prioritized for facilities located in counties that have not received awards in previous program grant rounds. Grants will be provided to fund the installation or modification of general electrical panels, labor of electricians, transfer switches, tap switches and other necessary accessories to maintain access to vehicle fuel during power outages. The application period closes on April 30, 2024 at 1:30 pm.

“Wisconsin's Refueling Readiness Grant Program strengthens our state, local, and tribal emergency preparedness, making sure our first responders have the necessary resources to keep our communities safe,” said PSC Chairperson Rebecca Cameron Valcq. “These investments will help provide a swift, adaptable response during major power outages and emergencies.”

The program is part of the PSC's ongoing coordination of energy assurance planning and exercise activities with other key agencies such as Wisconsin Emergency Management and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, as well as Tribal and county emergency managers.

Eligible facilities for funding include:

- Municipally or Native American Tribal Community-owned highway shops
- Privately, Municipally, and Tribally-owned convenience stores with both unleaded and diesel fuel availability
- Privately-owned bulk petroleum storage facilities

The PSC will be hosting a webinar on the Refueling Readiness Program application instructions on December 13, 2023 at 10:00 am CT. [Register for the webinar here.](#)

For more information and instructions on applying for funding, visit the [Refueling Readiness page](#) on the PSC website.