OFFICE OF AUDITOR OF STATE







State Capitol Building
Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0004
Telephone (515) 281-5834

September 22, 2025

Kristi Onstot Executive Council L O C A L

Subject: Damages to Generator at Northwest Iowa Community College on June 28, 2025

Iowa Communications Network (ICN)

Claim dated August 21, 2025

AOS Claim ID: 4144

In accordance with Executive Council policy, we have examined the claim for 29C.20 funds for the above-mentioned damage. It is our conclusion that the above-mentioned damage incurred by the Iowa Communications Network (ICN) is covered by Chapter 29C.20 of the Code of Iowa. The amount requested may include costs that will be covered by a monthly maintenance contract for technician services that are not additional expenses to ICN. The actual claim for reimbursement should only be for expenses that exceed the technician hours per the maintenance agreement.

Therefore, we recommend an Executive Council allocation for the requested amount of \$2,318.68, subject to audit of <u>actual</u> invoices and supporting documentation and demonstration that no costs covered by the maintenance contract have been included.

Sincerely,

Brian R. Brustkern, CPA Deputy Auditor of State

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cc: Ryan Mulhall, Executive Director, ICN
Kammy McHone, Finance Division, ICN
Dave Augspurger, Operations Division, ICN
Heather Hackbarth, Department of Management



Iowa Communications Network

RYAN MULHALL, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY COMMISSION

August 21, 2025

Ms. Kristi Onstot **Executive Secretary Executive Council of Iowa** State Capitol

Re: Emergency Allocations of Funds

Dear Ms. Onstot,

On or about June 28, 2025 the Iowa Communications Network (ICN) received physical damage to ICN Communications equipment in Sheldon, Iowa. An email was sent to the Office of the Auditor of State and the Executive Council. This letter represents a claim for \$2,308.68 in accordance with Chapter 29C.20 of the Code of Iowa for an emergency allocation of funds to repair damages sustained. Paid invoices will be included upon \$2,318.68 completion of repairs.

It was determined ICN equipment was damaged due to weather-related storms at the Northwest Iowa Community College in Sheldon, IA in O'Brien County. Enclosed are the damage assessment and cost estimate to restore that damaged equipment to normal operating condition.

If you have any questions regarding this claim, please call my office at 515-725-4666.

Sincerely.

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Rwan Mulhall

Executive Director

cc: Office of Auditor of State (Tammy Hollingsworth) ICN Operations Division (Dave Augspurger) ICN Finance Division (Kammy McHone)

Generator Damage: Northwest Iowa Community College, 603 W Park St, Sheldon, Iowa, 51201 (O'Brien County).

AOS #4144/ICN Incident # INC0066818:

On June 28, 2025, at 1:37am, ICN's Network Operations Center received an alarm indicating an issue with our generator at the Northwest Iowa Community College. We dispatched a field technician who reported that the MODBUS that communicates with the generator had no power, the generator display was blank, there were no lights on the battery charger, and the water jacket was cool to the touch. We dispatched our generator vendor who advised that he believed the equipment received a power surge or lightning strike in order for all of the parts to go out at once. ICN checked weather history and thunderstorms were present when the issue occurred.

ICN is requesting the Estimated Costs

THE COSTS FOR LABOR AND REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT:

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Equipment (3E Vendor):	\$ 492.4	43
Labor and Mileage (3E Vendor):	\$1,550.0	·, ··
	\$2,042.4	
ICN Technician Labor:	\$ 276.2	25
TOTAL (Parts/Labor):	-\$2,308.6	amount should be \$2,318.68, KLM
VICTORIA HARRIS	DATE	
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST SR	DATE	

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Downloaded by AP at ICN Wednesday, Aug 12, 2025 at 8:57am



BILL TO:

3E - GENERATOR DIVISION 953 73RD ST WINDSOR HEIGHTS, IA 50324 (515) 2668890

INVOICE

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TO VIEW AND PAY ONLINE	USE THIS ENROLLMENT TOKEN
http://3e-co.billtrust.com	KKR MLM SBM

REMIT TO:

Consolidated Electrical Distributor PO BOX 850365 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55485-0365

SHIP TO:

IOWA COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK GRIMES STATE OFFICE BUILDING 400 EAST 14TH STREET DES MOINES, IA 50319-9000

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6	7080 352945-S 352945-S BLOCK HEATER	120V 1500AMP		1.00	0.00	1.00	Е	100.27	100.27	
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Invoice

Date	Invoice #
7/2/2025	1659

Bill To

Iowa Communications Network Grimes State Office Bldg 400 East 14th Street Des Moines, iowa 50319

Please Make Checks Payable to: Fiberutilities Network Services 222 3rd Ave SE Suite 500 Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52401

		Terms	Project
		Net 60	Maint & Ops
Quantity	Description		Amount
	Maintenance and Operations for June 2025		
1	Network Field Services - Base		186,721.5
1	Network Terminal Services - Base		328,101.76
0	Network Field Services > 1500 Trouble, MAC & Other Hours June 2025 ICN Technician Hour Totals 1599.25 less 1800.00 = 0.00 hours @ \$65.0	0/hour	0.00
0	Consulting Hours - No Charge		0.00
l			
		Total	\$514,823.33



McHone, Kammy <kammy.mchone@iowa.gov>

Generator Damage: Northwest Iowa Community College, 603 W Park St, Sheldon, Iowa, 51201 (O'Brien County) (INC0066818)

1 message

Harris, Victoria <victoria.harris@icn.state.ia.us>

Tue, Jul 1, 2025 at 2:23 PM

To: Executive Council group email <ExecutiveCouncil@tos.iowa.gov>, Dana Davis <dana.davis@aos.iowa.gov>, Tammy Hollingsworth <Tammy.Hollingsworth@aos.iowa.gov>

Cc: ICN Executive Council Notice <ICNExecutiveCouncilNotice@iowa.gov>, Connor Kuehl <connor.kuehl@icn.state.ia.us>, Greg Dorrell <greg.dorrell@icn.state.ia.us>, RD Boswell <rd.boswell@icn.state.ia.us>

This is to notify the Executive Council of a potential claim due to a suspected lightning strike on one of our generators.

On 6/28/25, ICN received an alarm indicating a loss of signal to our generator at Northwest Iowa Community College, 603 W Park St, Sheldon, Iowa, O'Brien County, 51201. Technicians were dispatched. Our generator vendor, 3E, replaced the battery, battery charger, and a water jacket heater.

Please open a potential claim for weather-related storm damage to our equipment.

V/r,

Vicki

Vicki Harris

Telecom. Specialist Sr. | NOC Lead

Facilities

Iowa Communications Network

400 East 14th Street Des Moines, IA 50319

Office: 515-725-4722



If you are having a service issue, please contact the ICN Service Desk at 515-725-4400. To quickly open a Case with us (Question or Issue), login to the ICN Customer Portal.

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