

Integrated Solutions for Public Power

ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS CUSTOMER CONNECTIONS BUSINESS & FINANCE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT

Owned by public power, Hometown Connections is a national resource for community-owned utilities as a trusted provider of guidance and quality products/services. Through Hometown Connections, public power organizations gain access to the industry's leading vendors, as well as comprehensive consulting support in the areas of organization assessment, strategic planning, governance training, customer service, market research, and staffing.

ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS



Bringing the Benefits of New Technologies to Public Power

The integrated products and services offered through Hometown Connections in support of utility Engineering & Operations include AMI, OMS, GIS systems, distributed generation, mobile workforce solutions, engineering analysis software, operations management software, and cyber & physical security.

CUSTOMER CONNECTIONS



Empowering the Community with New Information and Tools

The companies partnered with Hometown Connections enable a public power utility to deliver online outbound personalized communications to customers, collect and deploy data to respond quickly to outages or inquiries, keep customers informed of system events, offer customers backup and peak shaving generation, help customers reduce costs through digital engagement tools, and let customer research drive utility program design.

BUSINESS & FINANCE



The Right Systems, Strategies and People for Today's Marketplace

Hometown Connections joins with public power's leading consultants and software providers to deliver CIS/billing, financials, workforce solutions, energy trading/risk management, property insurance, cyber liability and other insurance packages, meter & operational data management, and business planning & financial policy guidance.

SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT



Applying Public Power's Best Practices to Each Utility

Based on experience addressing utility operations with more than 900 public power utilities, the staff of Hometown Connections and its partners provide consulting and facilitation needed to maintain a high level of service quality and system performance. Essential support services include risk management, organization assessments, customer & employee research, strategic planning, technology planning, governance training, and workforce solutions.

Hometown Connections Marketing Network

- Alabama Municipal Electric Authority
- Amer. Municipal Power, Inc.
- Electric Cities of Georgia
- ElectriCities of NC
- Energy Northwest
- Florida Municipal Electric Association
- Illinois Municipal Electric Agency
- Indiana Municipal Electric Association
- Indiana Municipal Power Agency
- Kentucky Municipal Utilities Association
- Michigan Municipal Electric Association
- Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association
- Missouri Public Utility Alliance
- Missouri River Energy Services
- Municipal Electric Systems of Oklahoma
- Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority
- Nebraska Municipal Power Pool
- No. California Power Agency
- Piedmont Municipal Power Agency
- Southern Minnesota Municipal Power Agency
- Tennessee Municipal Electric Power Association
- Texas Public Power Assoc.
- Vermont Public Power Supply Authority
- Phyllis E. Currie—California
- Thomas E. Nanney—Tenn.

PRODUCTS AND SERVICES



Advanced Metering Program *Purpose Built for Municipal Utility Systems*
Hometown Connections, Inc. program offering lower risk and cost-effective deployment of advanced metering infrastructure plus hosting and operation-managed services



AESI *Cyber & Physical Security Engineering & Consulting*
Cyber and physical security consulting for utilities (electric, water, gas) leaning on best practices and meeting appropriate industry standards



Apogee Interactive *Customer Engagement/Energy Analysis*
Digital engagement platform delivers on-line and outbound proactive, personalized communication to consumers nationwide



Clevest *Mobile Workforce Solutions*
Software for automating and optimizing any field work activity or process to improve response time and effectiveness; national mutual aid registry



Cogsdale Corporation *Customer Information Solutions*
User-friendly, smart grid-enabled billing and financial software



GreatBlue Research *Market Research Services*
Partnering with Hometown Connections to provide actionable customer intelligence to public power organizations



Hometown Connections *Utility Management Consulting & Research*
Integrated consulting services based on public power best practices, including strategic planning, customer research, and compensation studies



IPKeys Power Partners *Meter & Operational Data Management Systems*
Integration platform for data collection systems such as AMI/AMR, SCADA, GIS, CIS, & OMS; IT services and support



Katama Technologies, Inc. *Technology Planning & Implementation*
Consulting services for deployment of AMI, SCADA, and other electricity distribution automation systems



Marsh Wortham Power Gen Insurance
Property/Cyber/Voluntary Employee Benefits
Innovative protection designed specifically for public power utilities with lower rates & broader terms via combined purchasing leverage



MFP-Connect™ *Energy Workforce Solutions & Compensation Studies*
Interim workforce solutions with retired power professionals; compensation data, market analysis and salary recommendations for executive positions



Milsoft Utility Solutions *Smart Grid Software*
OMS/GIS/IVR and engineering analysis software



N-Dimension Solutions Inc. *Cybersecurity Assessment/Monitoring*
Managed cybersecurity services - continuous threat monitoring, on-demand vulnerability assessment plus access to cybersecurity experts



PowerSecure *Distributed Generation, LED Lighting*
Standby power generation for outages and to reduce peak demand costs; energy savings from LED street lighting



The Energy Authority *Energy Trading & Risk Management Services*
National wholesale energy marketing, portfolio management, advisory and support services uniquely focused on serving public power



Utility Financial Solutions, LLC *Cost of Service Studies/Rate Design*
Cost of service study, rate design, and financial planning for utilities

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About Hometown
Connections, Inc.

Hometown Connections, Inc. is a national non-profit utility services organization offering public power utilities guidance and access to quality products/services from a trusted entity with public power's best interests in mind.

Hometown Connections is a resource to public power systems of all sizes, facilitating access to technology, services, and other solutions from industry-leading companies.

The products and services offered through Hometown Connections include a full range of advanced grid solutions, as well as consulting support in the areas of organization assessment, strategic planning, governance development, customer service, market research, and staffing.