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ISO Rating Improvement

Wausau, WI – City of Wausau Mayor is proud to announce another milestone in the history of the Wausau Fire Department. Continuing in their commitment to excellence, Wausau Fire Department is proud to announce the achievement of an Insurance Services Office, Inc., Public Protection Classification (ISO-PPC) of a 2. The Wausau Fire Department recently was reevaluated by the Insurance Services Office (ISO) and was able to enhance their PPC from a 3/10 to a 2/10. This improvement could translate into lower insurance rates for both residents and businesses in the response district of the Wausau Fire Department.

ISO is a leading advisory organization that serves the property and casualty insurance industry by providing statistical information on risk. ISO collects information on municipal fire-protection efforts in communities throughout the United States by conducting a comprehensive review involving four areas: the Fire Department itself, the water supply system, emergency communications and community risk reduction. ISO will then grade the community by using the PPC scale which has a range from 10 to 1 with “1” considered “best in class.” The PPC ratings are then utilized by some insurance companies to establish premiums for commercial, residential and industrial customers.

The PPC program recognizes the efforts of the community to provide fire protection services for citizens and property owners. A community’s investment in fire mitigation is a proven and reliable predictor of future fire losses. Currently, of the 2,149 communities in Wisconsin with a designated PPC class number there are 2 with a Class 1 rating and 42 with a Class 2 rating. “This is a spectacular achievement for our community and the Wausau Fire Department is very proud and honored to be able to provide exceptional services to our community. This improvement from a Class 3 to a Class 2 has placed us in the top 3% Countrywide and top 2% in the State of Wisconsin; a spectacular accomplishment” stated Chief Tracey Kujawa.

The City of Wausau Fire Department is proud to serve the community of Wausau and will continue to strive toward excellence in providing the services our citizens need and deserve.

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