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**Illinois Telecommunications Association Awards**  
**2017 Member Company Employee Recognition**



Len Schwartz, Vice President, Madison Communications Company, receives the Member Company Employee Recognition Award from Randy Nehrt, President, Illinois Telecommunications Association, during the 2017 Annual Meeting and Convention.

Springfield, IL – During its 2017 Annual Meeting and Convention, the Illinois Telecommunications Association (ITA) announced the Member Company Employee Recognition Award. This honor is bestowed annually in recognition of an individual's service to the Illinois Telecommunications Association.

This year the ITA recognized Leonard J. Schwartz, Vice President of Madison Communications Company, Staunton, IL with the Association's 2017 Award during its 112<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention on June 12<sup>th</sup> at Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri.

"Len was recognized for his service to the Illinois Telecommunications Association's Technology Committee and for his help in fostering education and collaboration among members of the telecommunications industry. His entrepreneurial spirit, support of the community and positive outlook have been a model for other companies, and the ITA wanted to recognize Len for these contributions to the Association and the industry," said Randy Nehrt, President of the Illinois Telecommunications Association.

"This is a tremendous honor. I admit that I am humbled to accept this award, because it truly recognizes all of our Madison employees. Their continued commitment to our customers and the ability to embrace the challenges brought on by all the changes in our industry, inspires me to never lose focus on finding new and innovative opportunities. Serving with the ITA allows me, through our employees, to keep the best interest of customers and communities throughout the State of Illinois in the forefront." said Leonard Schwartz of Madison Communications Company.

The Illinois Telecommunications Association creates a forum for its members to identify and to examine issues of importance; to foster collaboration among its members; and to present on behalf of the telecommunications industry a unified position on matters of importance before the regulatory and legislative bodies of Illinois.

Madison Communications Company is a fully integrated service provider of high speed Internet access, digital phone, HD entertainment programming, and other IP solutions to residential and business customers in Southwestern Illinois. It has a tradition of providing personal service, offering the most innovative products and services while giving back to the communities in which it serves. For more information, please visit us online at [www.gomadison.com](http://www.gomadison.com), or by dialing 1-800-422-4848.