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Alliant Energy Foundation golf event raises \$475,000 for food banks, over \$3.1 million to date

MADISON, Wis., October 26, 2017 – People facing hunger will benefit from the Alliant Energy Foundation's 11th annual Drive Out Hunger Golf Classic event held in September. Over \$475,000 was raised for Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin and six other Feeding America member food banks serving Wisconsin and Iowa. This was an increase of \$75,000 from last year's event.

"This event keeps exceeding our expectations," said Patricia Kampling, chairman, president and CEO of Alliant Energy. "The businesses we work with from all over the country make huge investments in this event to make Drive Out Hunger a success – benefiting many Alliant Energy communities. We're amazed to think we've raised more than \$3.1 million since 2007 and provided more than 12 million meals for those in need. These funds will go a long way to help families, kids and seniors in our communities who are hungry."

The Alliant Energy Foundation partners with Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin and its sister Feeding America food banks whose service areas overlap where Alliant Energy provides service. Other benefiting food banks include Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin, Food Bank of Iowa, HACAP Food Reservoir, Northeast Iowa Food Bank, River Bend Foodbank and Food Bank for the Heartland.

"We are incredibly grateful for Alliant Energy Foundation's dedication to improving the lives of the people in the communities they serve," said Dan Stein, president and CEO of Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin. "And we are honored that they have chosen Second Harvest, and our sister food banks, to partner with and help those in our community who just need a little help."

The Alliant Energy Foundation is a philanthropic organization created by Alliant Energy Corporation and is operated as a separate entity led by its own board of directors. The Foundation is committed to making a positive difference in the communities where Alliant Energy employees, retirees and customers live and work. The Foundation, which is funded solely by Alliant Energy shareowners, seeks to further the corporation's goal of being a good corporate citizen and contributing member of society. Its expenses and programs are not included in rates charged to utility customers. The Alliant Energy Foundation has given more than \$50 million since the Foundation's inception. To learn more about the Alliant Energy Foundation, visit alliantenergy.com/foundation.

About Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin

Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin began working with local hunger-relief agencies in 1986. It helps end hunger in 16 southwestern Wisconsin counties through food distribution to its partner agencies, promotion of outside food assistance programs like FoodShare and raising awareness of hunger. As southwestern Wisconsin's largest hunger-relief charity, it meets nearly 1 million requests for help each year. From July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017, Second Harvest, together with its partner agencies and programs, provided 13.9 million meals. It is one of 200 members of Feeding America, the nation's leading domestic hunger-relief charity. For more information, visit SecondHarvestMadison.org.

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