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**Congressman Leonard Boswell Congratulates ICN  
for \$16.2 million BTOP Grant Award**

(Des Moines, Iowa)- On Tuesday, August 17, Iowa Congressman Leonard Boswell will formally congratulate the Iowa Communications Network (ICN) on being awarded a \$16.2 million grant from the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) established through the U.S. Department of Commerce National Telecommunications and Information Administration.

The event will include a panel discussion explaining how ICN's funding will improve broadband connectivity. ICN's project will enable Iowa Emergency Management to use advanced web-based emergency management applications and provide Iowa's Department of Public Safety with reliable, statewide, high-speed connections to local law enforcement agencies and public safety access points.

**WHAT:** Congressman Boswell will congratulate ICN for a \$16.2 million grant that allows reliable broadband and high speed connections to local law enforcement across Iowa. The event will include a panel discussion explaining how ICN's funding will improve broadband connectivity.

Panel participants will include (subject to change):

- Congressman Leonard Boswell, Iowa's 3<sup>rd</sup> Congressional District
- Dr. Pam Duffy, Iowa Telecommunications & Technology Commissioner
- Lt. Governor Patty Judge
- Dave Lingren, ICN Interim Executive Director
- Eugene T. Meyer, Iowa Department of Public Safety Commissioner

**WHERE:** DPS Building, 1<sup>st</sup> floor ICN Room  
215 E. 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
Des Moines, IA

**WHEN:** Tuesday, August 17, 2010  
9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

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