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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Date: September 15, 2015
Time: 8:00 AM
Contact: Officer Joseph Nichols
Public Information Officer

Subject: Water Bill Scam

The Oshkosh Police Department is investigating an incident where a subject called a citizen claiming to be from the City of Oshkosh Water Department and requested payment for a past due water bill.

The citizen hung up the phone and called the City of Oshkosh Water Department and learned the water department does not request payment over the phone.

If you receive such a phone call from anyone claiming to be from the water department or another utility requesting payment for an overdue bill, do not give them any money. If you have caller ID, please write down the caller's number and pass onto the police.

If you have information in regards to this incident; if you have had someone call you claiming to be from the water department; or if you actually gave the caller money for a 'late bill', please call (920) 236-5700 to report it.

A reminder to citizens that in the past, there have been subjects claiming to be from City of Oshkosh, the power company or other maintenance companies stating they need to do work at your home. Do not let these subjects into your home and do not walk outside with them if they cannot prove who they are claiming to be. Call 911.

Please pass this information onto neighbors, especially older adults you may know. Thank you.

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