



## **Backup Power for Home Phone Services during Power Outages**

For many years, your home phone would allow you to stay connected to emergency voice services during a power outage. However, many of today's advanced home voice services require backup battery power to continue functioning during an outage. To avoid a disruption during an outage -- and to maintain the ability to connect to 911 emergency services -- we at Adams TelSystems, Inc. offer you an option of leasing backup power for your home voice service.

### **What Your Battery Can – and Can't – Do for You**

Adams TelSystems, Inc.'s backup battery for your ONT or GigaCenter allows you to continue to use your home voice services during a power outage. Without a backup battery or alternate backup source such as a generator, you will not be able to make any calls, including emergency calls to 911. Our backup battery does not provide power to any services other than voice. Cordless phones, home security systems, medical monitoring devices and other equipment are not powered by our backup battery.

### **Purchase and Replacement Options**

If you are concerned about being able to contact 911 emergency services during a power outage, a backup battery may be a good option for you.

You can lease a backup battery directly through Adams TelSystems, Inc. for \$2.50 per month. If you have any questions or simply want to lease a backup battery through us, please call 877-696-4611.

Voice customers in Camp Point & Clayton originally were installed with a backup battery, and this has been provided and maintained by Adams TelSystems, Inc. As equipment is upgraded, the backup battery will no longer be provided automatically, and will be available for lease from Adams.

### **Expected Backup Power Duration**

Backup batteries are expected to last at least 8 hours on standby power. If you feel that is not enough time, you may extend your standby power by purchasing a 24-hour battery.

### **Instructions for Proper Care and Use of Your Battery**

Environmental factors such as temperature can shorten your backup battery's useful life. We recommend that your backup battery be installed in an area where the temperature stays between 32°F and 104°F. The backup battery is almost 7 pounds and is roughly 7" x 6.5" x 3". The batteries are rechargeable, and as long as the backup battery is plugged into a power outlet, they will stay charged. They will not last forever and Adams will be alerted if the battery needs replacement.

If you have questions or concerns about your backup battery, please contact us at 877-696-4611.