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## FIBER BATTERY BACKUP FOR TELEPHONE SERVICE ONLY

Many of today's advanced home phone services require backup battery power to continue functioning during a power outage. To avoid a disruption of home voice service during an outage – and to maintain the ability to connect to 911 emergency services -- we at Lakeland Communications offer you the option of purchasing backup power for your home phones.

## What Your Battery Can - and Can't - Do for You

Lakeland backup batteries allow 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, customers will not be able to make any calls, including emergency calls to 911. The only way to maintain the ability to use your phone is by using some form of backup power. Our backup battery does not provide power to any services other than voice. Home security systems, medical monitoring devices and other equipment will not run on a home phone 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 purchase a backup battery directly through Lakeland Communications. If you have any questions or simply want to purchase a backup battery through us, please call 715-825-2171, visit our website at www.lakeland.ws. If you decide to get a battery and do not feel comfortable installing your own battery, please call us to make an appointment, and we would be happy to assist you. However, please note that there will be a charge for the equipment and installation of the service.

You can also purchase a backup battery through many of your local retailers or on-line. Be sure to purchase the battery model that matches the type of equipment that you have. The type of equipment that you have is a NID TM502G. The type of battery that you need is an 8 Hour Backup Battery. Expected Backup Power Duration Backup batteries are expected to last at least 8 hours on standby power. The backup battery should give you 6 hours of talk time. If you feel that is not enough time, you may extend your standby power by purchasing a 24 hour battery or additional 8 hour batteries.

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

Please follow the detailed instructions included with your battery for proper use, storage and care of your battery to ensure that it will function as needed during a power outage. If you do not store your battery correctly, it may shorten its useful life. Environmental factors such as temperature can shorten your battery's useful life. We recommend that you store your battery above 41°F and below 104°F. These batteries are not rechargeable. They will not last forever and should be replaced every 1 to 2 years, or when your device starts to make a loud beeping sound. That sound means that the battery is depleted, and must be replaced. See the instructions above for purchase and replacement options. You should also periodically, as described in the instructions included with your battery, remove and test your battery to verify both the operation of the backup battery and its condition. You are responsible for your battery and replacement.