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American Municipal Power Inc. receives Award of Continued Excellence

WASHINGTON, D.C., June 9, 2020 – American Municipal Power Inc. (AMP), in Columbus, Ohio, earned the 2020 Award of Continued Excellence (ACE) from the American Public Power Association's Demonstration of Energy & Efficiency Developments (DEED) program.

The ACE recognizes APPA members that have demonstrated continued commitment to the DEED program and its ideals — support for research, development and demonstration projects; commitment to smart, sustainable energy principals such as energy-efficiency, conservation, and renewable energy usage; investigation/use of new methods, techniques, and technologies to improve utility operations and energy services to customers; and support of public power.

AMP has been an active member of the DEED program since 2003. Since joining the program, the agency has been awarded seven DEED grants. For its most recent award, AMP partnered with its members and the Smart Electric Power Alliance to develop a "Public Power Electric Vehicle Planning Toolkit and Guidebook". The toolkit is a user-friendly and intuitive resource public power utilities can use to obtain insights into the preliminary economic impacts of electrification efforts associated with internal fleet vehicles. It also looks at the increased load on residential distribution systems under various EV charging scenarios. The toolkit has been widely promoted to AMP, APPA and DEED members.

AMP supports the ideals of the DEED program in various ways including the development of a voluntary green pricing program, which was created to extend the benefits of renewable generation to its customers. It also created a member-led Focus Forward Initiative, which informs members of industry trends, emerging technologies and helps prepare them for further integration of distributed energy resources onto their systems. Further, AMP offers a scholarship program encouraging high school students to further their education in the municipal electric utility field. AMP believes so strongly in the importance of DEED, that they began paying the member dues for their utility members to be a part of the program.

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