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### **Kansas Power Pool CEO and general manager receives individual achievement award**

**Orlando, Florida, June 22, 2021** — Mark Chesney, CEO and general manager of the Kansas Power Pool in Wichita, Kansas, received the James D. Donovan Individual Achievement Award during the American Public Power Association's National Conference in Orlando, Florida. The award recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions to the electric utility industry and to public power.

From the beginning of his tenure at the Kansas Power Pool (KPP), Mark has actively promoted participation in public power advocacy at the state capital with KPP member employees and policymakers. Mark is known personally by governing bodies throughout Kansas where he has successfully educated diverse audiences on the merits of community-owned power. Leading KPP to an elevated financial strength, Mark has also led the expansion of KPP's resource portfolio – which now includes wind generation, battery storage, and solar test sites—while also pursuing beneficial electrification. Mark's advocacy and leadership are marked by his tenure with four utilities in three states during his 31-year career in public power.

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