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Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems chief operations officer receives individual achievement award

Orlando, Florida, June 22, 2021 — Marshall Empey, chief operations officer at Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems in Salt Lake City, Utah, 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.

Marshall has worked in public power for 35 years and has represented Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems and other public power systems throughout the Intermountain West before multiple local and regional transmission organizations. In the early 1990s, Marshall was instrumental in obtaining a network transmission service agreement, the first of its kind in the United States, which allowed cities, through his agency, to purchase power from organizations other than Utah Power & Light. The agency saw a large reduction in power costs, which in turn lowered costs to the cities. Marshall is a passionate and valuable leader who has dedicated his career to defending public power in the West.

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