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City of Hamilton receives national achievement award

**Nashville, Tennessee, June 14, 2022** — The City of Hamilton, Ohio, received an American Public Power Association E.F. Scattergood System Achievement Award during the American Public Power Association's National Conference in Nashville, Tennessee. The award honors APPA member systems that have enhanced the prestige of public power utilities through sustained achievement and customer service.

The City of Hamilton, Ohio has owned and operated its electric utility system since 1893. In 2017, Hamilton's Utilities and Public Works Departments merged, forming the Department of Infrastructure. The department launched a Substation Modernization Project that has resulted in even greater reliability for customers of the city's electric system. As part of this effort, the city is trading out older electromechanical relays for higher-speed, secure replacements that feature advanced fault detection and comprehensive control functions. Last year, Hamilton commissioned a \$12 million substation in one of its industrial parks. The substation was successfully built to serve the growing needs of new and existing customers.

Hamilton's electric system boasts exceptionally reliable service, earning an APPA Diamond Level Reliable Public Power Provider designation in 2020. The city has also participated in APPA's eReliability Tracker program to help with measuring outage data, earning the Certificate of Excellence in Reliability in 2020.

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