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## BLAIR HONORED WITH AMERICAN MUNICIPAL POWER, INC. DNA AWARD

*Annual award recognizes outstanding employee*

**COLUMBUS:** Andrew Blair has been recognized as the American Municipal Power, Inc. (AMP) 2015 DNA Award recipient. Blair is assistant vice president of financial planning and analysis, and has been with the Columbus-based organization since 1987.

Marc Gerken, AMP president/CEO initiated the annual award in 2008 to recognize an employee who advances AMP's vision and mission as established through its strategic planning process. AMP's vision is "to be public power's leader in wholesale energy supply and value-added Member services," and its mission is "to provide Members with the benefits of scale and expertise in providing and managing energy services."

To accomplish its vision and mission, AMP employees must believe in, and demonstrate, the core values of the organization: cooperation, integrity, innovation, action-oriented, effective communication and member focused. These values serve as the organization's "DNA" and are a critical foundation to its ability to succeed and serve member

communities. As such, Gerken believed it appropriate to establish a program that would recognize employees who best demonstrate the values/DNA of AMP as a way to highlight to both its staff and members the importance of the key organizational criteria it strives to meet.

Gerken asked the staff to nominate their fellow employees for the award. They were asked to provide not just a name, but the reasons why their nomination should receive the award.

Blair has held a variety of positions with the organization during the last 28 years both at headquarters and at generating facilities.

“Andy has been remarkable as far as the breadth of what he can do,” Gerken said. “He is a longtime AMP employee who is passionate about the organization, its members and public power.”

Blair resides in Worthington, Ohio.

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#### **ABOUT AMP:**

American Municipal Power, Inc. is the nonprofit wholesale power supplier and services provider for 132 member municipal electric systems in the states of Ohio, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Virginia, Kentucky, West Virginia, Indiana, Maryland and Delaware. Combined these public utilities serve more than 625,000 customers. AMP members receive their power supply from a diversified resource mix that includes wholesale power purchases through AMP and the open market and energy produced at AMP and member-owned generating facilities utilizing fossil fuel, hydroelectric, wind and other renewable resources. The organization is focused on sustainability and increased use of renewable generation resources. AMP currently has four run-of-the-river hydroelectric projects under construction on the Ohio River. Combined these four projects will add more than 300 MW of new hydro capacity to the region. AMP is pursuing additional hydro, solar, wind and landfill gas projects. For additional information, visit AMP’s Web site at [www.amppartners.org](http://www.amppartners.org).