

MORRISTOWN UTILITIES RECOGNIZED AS A RELIABLE PUBLIC POWER PROVIDER

[Morristown, TN, May 25, 2017]— Morristown Utilities Commission has earned a Reliable Public Power Provider (RP₃)[®] designation from the American Public Power Association for providing reliable and safe electric service. David Lynch, Assistant Director of Utility Operations at Marquette Board of Light and Power, Michigan and chair of the Association's RP₃ Review Panel, presented the designations on May 8 during the Association's annual Engineering & Operations Technical Conference held in San Antonio, Texas.

The RP₃ designation, which lasts for three years, recognizes public power utilities that demonstrate proficiency in four key disciplines: reliability, safety, workforce development, and system improvement. Criteria include sound business practices and a utility-wide commitment to safe and reliable delivery of electricity. Morristown Utilities joins more than 220 public power utilities nationwide that hold the RP₃ designation, and one of only forty-three this year to receive the "Diamond" certification, scoring 100 of 100 possible points. MUC has held the RP₃ certification since 2005 and the "Diamond" level since 2014.

"Utilities that have earned an RP₃ designation demonstrate public power's emphasis on achieving leading practices and providing a high level of service to communities," said Lynch. "We are proud to welcome all utilities earning this recognition for the first time and to those renewing their designations."

"We're honored to be recognized as a Reliable Public Power Provider," said Jody Wigington, MUC general manager. "This award belongs to all of our employees who work hard every day to provide reliable service. From our board of commissioners and throughout the organization, RP₃ recognizes our commitment to serving the community."

The American Public Power Association has offered the RP₃ designation for 12 years now. The Association is the voice of not-for-profit, community-owned utilities that power 49 million people in 2,000 towns and cities nationwide. The Association advocates and advises on electricity policy, technology, trends, training, and operations.