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ARIPPA Recognizes Coal Refuse to Energy Facilities for Performance and Environmental Achievements

CAMP HILL, PA – The Anthracite Region Independent Power Producers Association (ARIPPA) is proud to announce its award winners for their exceptional safety performance and environmental stewardship through the removal and reclamation of coal refuse sites during the 2016 operating year. Recipients were selected based on data supplied and applications submitted by the plants comprising the coal refuse to energy industry.

For the first time, ARIPPA presented an Outstanding Plant Award, highlighting a plant's accomplishments, goals, performance and any other significant activities throughout the year. Plants are required to submit an application, which is then reviewed and approved by a committee. The recipient of the 2016 ARIPPA Outstanding Plant Award was presented to American Bituminous Power Partners of Grant Town, WV.

Plant safety is a critical aspect of the coal refuse to energy generation process. In 2016, four plants documented zero recordable OSHA incidents. As a result of their dedication to safety standards, ARIPPA presented the following four facilities with the ARIPPA Plant Safety Performance Award: Cambria Cogen, Panther Creek Power Operating, Westwood Generation, and Seward Generation.

ARIPPA plant member facilities have collectively removed and burned as fuel more than 200 million tons of coal refuse, reclaimed more than 7,000 acres of abandoned mine lands, and improved or restored more than 1,200 miles of stream. Specifically, Northampton Generating Company and Seward Generation received a 2016 ARIPPA Environmental Achievement Award for their reclamation efforts on the Loomis Site in Luzerne County, Hanover Township, PA and the Beaverdale Site in Cambria County, Summerhill Township, PA, respectively.

All awards were presented during the lunch as part of the 2017 ARIPPA Annual Tech Convention on Wednesday, August 16, 2017.

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