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ROCKWOOD ELECTRIC UTILITY RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR RELIABLE ELECTRIC OPERATIONS

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 7, 2014—Rockwood Electric Utility is one of 184 of the nation's more than 2,000 public power utilities to earn the Reliable Public Power Provider (RP₃)¹ designation from the American Public Power Association for providing consumers with the highest degree of reliable and safe electric service. Brent McKinney, manager, electric transmission and distribution at City Utilities of Springfield, Mo., and chair of APPA's RP₃ Review Panel, presented the designees on April 7 during the association's annual Engineering & Operations Technical Conference held in Oklahoma City, Okla.

The RP₃ designation recognizes public power utilities that demonstrate proficiency in four key disciplines: reliability, safety, workforce development, and system improvement. Criteria within each category are based on sound business practices and represent a utility-wide commitment to safe and reliable delivery of electricity. The RP₃ designation now lasts for three years (up from two), so the 94 utilities that earned the designation this year join the 90 that received it last year.

"RP₃ utilities are providing a high level of service to communities all over the country," said McKinney, "These 94 designees stand out as models of safe, reliable, and forward-thinking utility operations."

"We're honored to receive the RP₃ designation," said Kendall Bear, General Manager of Rockwood Electric Utility. "Our utility staff puts in a lot of hard work to serve this community. RP₃ represents a much appreciated recognition of this hard work."

This is the ninth year that RP₃ recognition has been offered and the third time in a row that Rockwood Electric has received the RP₃ designation. APPA is the national organization representing more than 2,000 not-for-profit, community- and state- owned electric utilities. It is located in Washington, D.C.

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