



MEDIA ALERT

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Palo Alto wins 2012 Public Power Wind Award

The City of Palo Alto Utilities has just been selected to receive the 2012 Public Power Wind Award for its leadership, innovation, project creativity and customer benefits resulting from our use of wind power as a resource.

The award, given out by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)- Wind Powering America Initiative, was given to Palo Alto based on our use of wind power for both 17% of our resource supply and 97.5% of the Renewable Energy Certificates purchased for the PaloAltoGreen program. (The PaloAltoGreen renewable program continues to be ranked first in the nation in terms of customer participation and includes many of our largest corporate customers as well as local residents.)

This 10th annual award was created by DOE in conjunction with the American Public Power Association (APPA) to recognize public power systems who demonstrate a high degree of leadership in moving wind power forward in the United States. The City of Palo Alto Utilities won the 2012 Public Power Wind Award in the large member system category. We were selected for the honor over 13 other nominated public power systems from across the United States by a panel of wind, utility, government and public power experts.

This award will be presented at the APPA National Conference on June 19 in Seattle, Washington.

Past winners include: Sacramento Municipal Utility District, Princeton Municipal Light Department, Austin Energy, Denton Municipal Electric, CPS Energy, Nebraska Public Power District, Fort Collins Utilities, Cowlitz and Klickitat Public Utility Districts, Waverley Light and Power, town of Hull, and Aspen Municipal Electric.

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