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KUB Recognized for Achievements in Environmental Initiatives *by American Public Power Association and the Green Building Council*

Earlier today, KUB was presented with the designation of Smart Energy Provider by the American Public Power Association in a virtual ceremony. This designation marks KUB's commitment to and proficiency in energy efficiency, distributed generation, and environmental initiatives that support a goal of providing low-cost, quality, safe, and reliable electric service. Public power utilities are judged in four key disciplines: smart energy program structure; energy efficiency and distributed energy programs; environmental and sustainability initiatives; and the customer experience. KUB is one of 27 public power utilities receiving the designation this year.

"This designation highlights utilities that are constantly striving to deliver their customers top-notch programs and energy services," said Josh Mitchell, residential energy advisor at Chelan County PUD and chair of the Energy Services Committee. "These utilities are going beyond 'keeping the lights on,' and their communities should be proud."

KUB also recently received Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Certification for its Engineering Building on the Hoskins Operations Center campus. LEED provides an independent verification of green design, construction, and operation and maintenance of energy efficient and high-performing buildings and neighborhoods. KUB's Engineering Building was designed with sustainability in mind, and some of its green features include a solar array for both water heating and supporting building power, low-water use landscaping design, and computer controlled lighting for energy efficiency both on the interior and exterior of the building. Additionally, the building used recycled concrete during construction, and KUB focused on recycling additional waste accumulated during construction of the building.

"Earning LEED certification for our Engineering Building is a goal KUB began working toward from the very conception of the project," said Liz Hannah, Manager of Executive Services and Environmental Stewardship. "KUB is thoughtful in our approach to helping our community achieve its environmental goals, and we are very pleased with the recognition of these efforts."

KUB is committed to being good stewards of our environmental resources and recently published its Fiscal Year 2020 Environmental Report, which highlights many new environmental initiatives KUB has recently participated in and administered, as well as the ways the company is leading the way to a more sustainable future for the communities we serve. This report is available online at www.kub.org/environment.

KUB is a municipal utility serving Knox and parts of seven adjacent counties and provides electric, gas, water, and wastewater services to more than 468,000 customers.

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