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AMP INDUCTS BENTINE TO WALL OF FAME

COLUMBUS, OH: John Bentine was honored at the 2017 AMP Wall of Fame ceremony on April 19.

Bentine served as general counsel for AMP and the OMEA since 1981. He joined AMP in 2012 as senior vice president/general counsel and also served as a longtime ex-officio member of the AMP Board of Trustees. He retired in February 2017, but continues to serve the organization on a consultancy basis.

Bentine was with the Columbus law firm of Chester, Willcox and Saxbe from 1991 to 2012, serving as managing partner and chairing the firm's management committee from 1997 to 2008. The firm merged with Taft Stettinius and Hollister in January 2012.

Bentine is widely respected in the legal field and considered one of the foremost municipal and utility attorneys in Ohio. Prior to entering private practice in 1981, he served on the technical staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO), as assistant attorney general and counsel to the PUCO, and as assistant city attorney and

senior assistant city attorney for the City of Columbus. He holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from Marshall University and a Juris Doctor from the Ohio State University.

"During his 35 years as AMP and OMEA general counsel, John was involved in virtually everything this organization has accomplished," said AMP President and CEO Marc Gerken. "His passion for public service, commitment to public power, care for our members and staff, depth of knowledge, sage advice and friendship have benefitted all of us at AMP, the OMEA and our members in countless ways. John's impressive legacy has left an indelible mark."

AMP established the Wall of Fame in 2010 as a tribute to the individuals who have made significant contributions to the organization, and through their dedication, have supported public power. Wall of Fame inductees are the embodiment of the values and principles that are the hallmarks of public power. Their commitment, passion and business acumen deserve special recognition.

Bentine was the sole inductee this year and a number of previous inductees were present to recognize his accomplishments.

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American Municipal Power, Inc. is the nonprofit wholesale power supplier and services provider for 135 member municipal electric systems in the states of Ohio, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Virginia, Kentucky, West Virginia, Indiana, Maryland and Delaware. Combined, these public utilities serve more than 650,000 customers. AMP members receive their power supply from a diversified resource mix that includes wholesale power purchases through AMP and the open market and energy produced at AMP and member-owned generating facilities utilizing fossil fuel, hydroelectric, solar, wind and other renewable resources. For additional information, visit AMP's website at www.amppartners.org.