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GEUS HONORED WITH NATIONAL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING SAFETY PRACTICES



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WASHINGTON, D.C., April 17, 2024 - GEUS has earned the American Public Power Association's Safety Award of Excellence for safe operating practices in 2023. The utility earned the Diamond Award in the category for utilities with 250,000 to 999,999 worker-hours of annual worker exposure.

More than 160 utilities entered the annual Safety Awards for 2023. Entrants were placed in categories according to their number of worker-hours and ranked based on the most incident-free records and the overall state of their safety programs and culture during 2023. The incidence rate is based on the number of work-related reportable injuries or illnesses and the number of worker-hours during 2023, as defined by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

"GEUS is proud of its safety record," said Alicia Hooks, General Manager of GEUS. "This award is a testament to the hard work that goes into ensuring that our team members go home safely to their families every day."

"In our industry, safety has to be top of mind all day every day," said Scott McKenzie, Chair of APPA's Engineering and Operations Conference safety track and Senior Director of Member Training & Safety at AMP Inc. "These honored utilities have demonstrated a commitment to safety that runs through every aspect of their organizations."

The Safety Awards have been held annually for more than 65 years. The American Public Power Association is the voice of not-for-profit, community-owned utilities that power 2,000 towns and cities nationwide.

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In 1891, GEUS became the first municipally owned electric utility in Texas. More than a century later, in 2001, it also became the first municipally owned cable television and high-speed internet operation in the state. GEUS provides these services to over 30,000 consumer-owners in the Greenville, Texas area, which is about 50 miles east of Dallas. One of the unique aspects of GEUS is that it is governed by an autonomous board of trustees appointed by the Greenville City Council. This structure was made possible by the Texas Legislature in 1989. To learn more about GEUS' 130+ years of public power history or the services it offers, please visit its website at www.geus.org