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**Allegheny Energy Supply donates \$10,000
To Arizona flood recovery effort**

Monroeville, Pa., May 15, 2001 – Allegheny Energy Supply, the unregulated generation subsidiary of Allegheny Energy, Inc. (NYSE: AYE), recently donated \$10,000 to the flood recovery effort in the Wenden and Salome areas of the McMullen Valley in La Paz County, Ariz. Allegheny Energy Supply has announced plans to build a 1,080-megawatt (MW) natural gas-fired generating facility in the county.

The Wenden-Salome area sustained \$12 million in damage in late October 2000 when heavy rains sent floodwaters raging through the streets twice within a five-day period. Approximately 100 homes were damaged or destroyed in the flood.

“Allegheny Energy Supply is pleased to extend its hand and assist our new neighbors in Arizona,” said James P. Garlick, Vice President, Projects for Allegheny Energy Supply. “Wherever we have generating facilities, Allegheny Energy Supply wants to be a good corporate neighbor and part of the community. A flood of the magnitude that swept the McMullen Valley last October is a devastating event. With our donation, we stand ready to help the community rebuild and move forward.”

According to George J. Saiter, Executive Director of the Wenden-Salome Flood Recovery Commission, Allegheny Energy Supply is one of the first companies to donate to this cause.

“We estimate that the community has approximately \$600,000 in unrecovered flood losses after considering funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Small Business Administration, insurance and local fund drives,” said Saiter. “The goal of the flood recovery commission is to collect half that amount, and Allegheny Energy Supply’s generous donation will go a long way toward that.”

Allegheny Energy Supply operates and markets competitive retail and wholesale generation in markets throughout the United States and operates regulated generation for its affiliates. With its recently announced acquisitions and expansion plans, Allegheny Energy Supply will have ownership or control of generating capacity of more than 14,000 MW, with assets strategically located throughout the United States.

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