

Contact: Scott Shields
Communications Project Manager
Pager: 1-877-831-6045
mshiel2@alleghenyenergy.com
Media Hotline: 1-888-233-3583

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Allegheny Energy Supply donates property, \$1,000 to honor
fallen construction workers in Pleasants County**

Monroeville, Pa., August 10, 2001 – Allegheny Energy Supply, the unregulated generation subsidiary of Allegheny Energy, Inc. (NYSE: AYE), today donated a parcel of land near its Pleasants Power Station in Pleasants County, W.Va., and \$1,000 to be used toward the completion of a monument to honor 51 construction workers who were killed while building the plant’s cooling towers more than 23 years ago.

The monument project is being spearheaded by Anthony Lauer, a Pleasants County Middle School student, whose grandfather was killed in the accident. Lauer has raised \$36,000 to build the monument and secured approval from members of the victims’ families and local labor unions to proceed with the project.

“Allegheny Energy Supply is pleased to support Anthony and other family members who lost loved ones in this terrible tragedy,” said Fred A. Jiles Jr., Regional Director, Pleasants/Willow Island Region, Allegheny Energy Supply. “As a fellow member of the community, we support this tribute to those we remember today.”

Jiles presented a check for \$1,000 and the deed to the parcel of land on the north side of Pleasants Power Station on the opposite side of W.Va. Route 2 to Pleasants County Commissioners at groundbreaking ceremonies today. Construction of the monument is expected to be completed in late September.

The 51 contract workers were killed April 27, 1978, when scaffolding on which they were working collapsed along with a portion of one of the cooling towers.

Allegheny Energy Supply develops, owns, and operates electric generating facilities and supplies and trades energy and energy-related commodities in selected domestic retail and wholesale markets. With its recently announced acquisition and expansion plans, Allegheny Energy Supply will have ownership or control of generating capacity totaling more than 14,500 MW by 2005, with assets strategically located throughout the United States.