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**Allegheny Energy Supply Wins Environmental Leadership Award
*Gypsum Processing Facility Honored for Pollution Prevention***

Hagerstown, Md., September 6, 2001 – Allegheny Energy Supply, the unregulated generating subsidiary of Allegheny Energy, Inc. (NYSE: AYE), recently received the 2001 West Virginia Business Environmental Leadership Award for its Gypsum Processing Facility at the Pleasants Power Station in Willow Island, W.Va.

The award was one of eight Business Environmental Leadership Awards presented for the first time by the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce, the West Virginia Manufacturers Association, the West Virginia Economic Development Council, the West Virginia Roundtable, and the West Virginia Oil and Natural Gas Association.

“Allegheny Energy Supply is honored to receive this distinguished environmental award for the Gypsum Processing Facility at Pleasants,” said Michael P. Morrell, President, Allegheny Energy Supply. “This is part of Allegheny Energy’s ongoing commitment to environmental leadership and stewardship for the enhancement of the region and the communities the Company serves. It is also a good example of our commitment to identifying creative approaches to reducing production wastes, turning what would otherwise be a waste into a useful product.”

The Gypsum Processing Facility was recognized in the Pollution Prevention category. The plant converts waste slurry from the flue gas desulfurization system into synthetic gypsum that is then sold to make wallboard. Previously, the waste byproduct was placed in a landfill, but in 2001 to date more than 200,000 tons of synthetic gypsum have been produced and sold, converting a waste product to a useful resource.

Crompton Corp. of Sistersville, W.Va., and Tom Seely Furniture of Berkeley Springs, W.Va., were also recognized in the Pollution Prevention Category. Other awards were given in the Innovative Technology and Environmental Stewardship categories.

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.

For a photograph of the Gypsum Processing Facility at Pleasants Power Station, go to <http://www.alleghenyenergy.com/newsroom/photos.asp>.

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