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**Allegheny Energy Supply donates \$45,000  
To Appalachian Community Center in Fayette County**

**Hagerstown, Md., May 15, 2002** -- Allegheny Energy Supply, a subsidiary of Allegheny Energy, Inc. (NYSE: AYE), recently donated \$45,000 to the Appalachian Community Center near Gans, Pa., in southern Fayette County to be used for the purchase and installation of new lighting for the center's softball field.

Additionally, the Company made a donation to the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Crystal Community Days Picnic, a homecoming event for the residents of Gans to be held on Aug. 4.

"Allegheny Energy Supply is dedicated to being a good corporate citizen and a valued member of the communities where we have generating facilities," said David C. Benson, Vice President, Production & Sales for Allegheny Energy Supply. "We have had an excellent working relationship with the residents of Springhill Township and the community of Gans, and we are pleased to make these donations for projects that are important to the residents."

In 2001, the Company contributed \$25,000 for the installation of playground equipment at the Appalachian Community Center, plus provided a donation for the annual Crystal Community Days picnic.

"It has been a pleasure to work with Allegheny Energy Supply on improvement projects for our community," said Jim Dillow, Director of the Appalachian Community Center. "Allegheny has been very supportive of our community, and we are appreciative of all its efforts to be a good neighbor."

Allegheny Energy Supply operates two 44-megawatt, natural gas-fired combustion turbines in Springhill Township near Gans. The generating facility was placed in service in November 2000.

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 acquisitions 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 more information about Allegheny Energy Supply, visit our web site at [www.alleghenyenergysupply.com](http://www.alleghenyenergysupply.com).