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Allegheny Energy Names New Vice Presidents

Hagerstown, Md., June 21, 2002 – Allegheny Energy, Inc. (NYSE: AYE) today announced that Patricia A. Schaub will join the Company as Vice President, External Affairs, effective August 1, and that Ronald K. Clark has been named Vice President and Controller, effective June 24.

Ms. Schaub will lead Allegheny Energy's External Affairs function, while Mr. Clark will direct the Company's accounting, budgeting, and financial reporting and processing functions.

Alan J. Noia, Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer, says, "We are thrilled that Pat and Ron are joining the Allegheny Energy team. With the addition of these two outstanding professionals, we are underscoring our commitment to ensuring that we continue to successfully navigate our industry's regulatory environment and to maintain strong financial controls for our business. Pat's proven ability in external relations at the local, state, and federal levels and her extensive experience in the energy industry will be great assets for our Company. Ron's expertise in the finance and accounting areas, as well as his demonstrated leadership and organizational skills, will be valuable as we continue to strengthen and enhance our accounting systems and reporting methodology."

Ms. Schaub joins Allegheny Energy with 21 years of experience in the energy industry, having most recently served as Vice President, Governmental and Regulatory Affairs for Entergy Wholesale Operations in Houston, Texas. Prior to that, she was Director and Senior Lobbyist, Federal Governmental Affairs for Entergy Services, Inc. in Washington, D.C. Ms. Schaub began her career with Pacific Gas and Electric, serving as its Director, Federal Governmental Relations and holding various positions in the Rates, Finance, and Regulatory Relations areas.

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A graduate of the University of California in Berkeley, Calif., Ms. Schaub earned a Master of Business Administration degree in finance. She is also a graduate of the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Mich., where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics.

Bringing to Allegheny Energy 25 years of experience in the areas of finance and accounting, Mr. Clark most recently served as Controller for Lockheed Martin Global Telecommunications and Director, Financial Transactions and Reporting for Lockheed Martin Corporation in Bethesda, Md. Prior to the merger of Lockheed and Martin Marietta Corporations, he served as Assistant Controller, Financial Reporting for Martin Marietta Corporation. Mr. Clark also held various positions with Ernst & Young LLP in Richmond, Va.

A Certified Public Accountant, Mr. Clark is a graduate of The College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va., where he earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree.

With headquarters in Hagerstown, Md., Allegheny Energy is an integrated *Fortune* 500 energy company with a balanced portfolio of businesses, including Allegheny Energy Supply, a national energy merchant which owns and operates electric generating facilities and supplies energy and energy-related commodities in selected domestic retail and wholesale markets; Allegheny Power, which delivers low-cost, reliable electric and natural gas service to about three million people in Maryland, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia; and a business segment offering fiber-optic and data services, energy procurement and management, and energy services. More information about the Company is available at www.alleghenyenergy.com.