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Allegheny Energy Names Max Kuniansky Director, Investor Relations

Hagerstown, Md., January 14, 2004 – Allegheny Energy, Inc. (NYSE: AYE) announced today that Max Kuniansky has been named the Company's Director, Investor Relations. Mr. Kuniansky will report to Jeffrey D. Serkes, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer.

"I am very pleased that Max has joined our team. His extensive experience in investor relations and financial communications will be an asset to our organization," said Paul J. Evanson, Allegheny Energy's Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer.

Mr. Kuniansky previously served as Vice President, Investor Relations for B/E Aerospace in Wellington, Fla. Prior to that, he served as Investor Relations Specialist for FPL Group, Inc. He holds a Master of Business Administration degree and a Bachelor of Business Administration degree, with a concentration in Finance, both from the University of Miami.

Allegheny Energy is an integrated energy company with a portfolio of businesses, including Allegheny Energy Supply, which owns and operates electric generating facilities; and Allegheny Power, which delivers low-cost, reliable electric and natural gas service to about four million people in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Maryland, Virginia and Ohio. More information about the Company is available at www.alleghenyenergy.com.

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