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Allegheny Energy Supports United Way of Westmoreland County

GREENSBURG, Pa., June 6, 2008 – For more than 30 years, employees of Allegheny Energy, Inc. (NYSE:AYE) have donated their time, energy and financial support to the United Way’s efforts to provide vital services to people who need assistance. Each year, this long-standing partnership benefits more than 50 United Way chapters in Allegheny’s Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia service territory.

In 2007, Allegheny Energy employees donated more than \$350,000 to the United Way, allowing local agencies to direct funds to areas with the greatest need. When combined with Allegheny’s contribution from its corporate match program, the company’s total 2007 contribution was nearly \$510,000.

“With employee contributions far exceeding their goal, the 2007 United Way campaign was a tremendous success,” said Paul Evanson, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Allegheny Energy. “We’re proud of our employees’ continued commitment to assisting their neighbors and communities.”

Many employees contributed to the 2007 campaign in memory of Allegheny’s Joe Richardson, who passed away late last year. Richardson served as 2006 chairperson for the United Way of Westmoreland County campaign and became a member of the United Way Board of Directors in 2007.

Locally, the United Way of Westmoreland County received more than \$340,000 from Allegheny’s 2007 campaign, including both employee donations and the corporate match. A check recently was presented to the agency.

United Way

United Way is a national network of more than 1,300 local organizations that work to create lasting positive changes in communities and people’s lives by addressing the underlying causes of the most significant local issues. While local United Ways tackle issues based on local needs, common areas of focus include helping children and youth succeed, improving access to health care, promoting financial stability and strengthening families. For more information, visit: www.unitedway.org.

Allegheny Energy

Headquartered in Greensburg, Pa., Allegheny Energy is an investor-owned electric utility with total annual revenues of over \$3 billion and more than 4,000 employees. The company owns and operates generating facilities and, under the name Allegheny Power, delivers low-cost, reliable electric service to over 1.6 million customers in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Maryland and Virginia. For more information, visit our Web site at www.alleghenyenergy.com.

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