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MISSION STATEMENT

AMEA's mission is to provide for our Member communities a reliable and economical source of electric power, enabling them to preserve and enhance the benefits of municipal utility ownership for their citizens and the electric customers they serve. We strive to offer services that our Members need and can adapt to provide the best value for their communities and customers.

Claussen and St. John to be honored during February 29 AMEA Appreciation Reception in Montgomery



Claussen and St. John chat at an AMEA event. Both will be honored at the Feb. 29 AMEA Appreciation Reception in Montgomery.

Two AMEA visionaries, Robert W. Claussen and H. Sewell St. John, Jr., will be recognized with the joint action agency's President's Award on Wednesday, Feb. 29, during the AMEA Appreciation Reception. The reception, which is being held in conjunction with the 2012 AMEA Power Supply Conference, will be from 5 until 7 p.m. at the Renaissance Hotel and Convention Center in downtown Montgomery.

Claussen retired from AMEA in 2007 after serving 23 years as its first

General Manager and President & CEO. Some of the milestones in Claussen's career include the implementation of the Load Management Program to improve Members' load factor in 1990; launching a scholarship program in 1992 and a technical scholarship program in 2003; the implementation of a Capital Fund Program for Member cities' economic development purposes in 1997; the installation of a system-wide Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) in 1998; publishing the first issue of *Alabama Currents* in 2002; and, the dedication of the AMEA-Sylacauga Plant in 2004.

St. John was actively employed and involved in the utility industry for 40 years, 35 of which was spent at Riviera Utilities. He served as the Secretary-Treasurer and General Manager of Riviera for 29 years. St. John served on the AMEA Board of Directors for 20 years, 17 of those years as Chairman of the Board.

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St. John was actively involved in numerous utility organizations, in which he held various offices. He served on the APPA Board of Directors and Executive Committee, the Electric Cities of Alabama Board of Directors, the United Municipal Distributors Group Board of Directors, the South Alabama Public Power Association, the Municipal Electric Utility Association of Alabama, and the Alabama Consumer-Owned Power Distributors Association.

Registration still open for AMEA Power Supply Conference this month

You still have time to register for the 2012 AMEA Power Supply Conference, scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 29 at 9 a.m. at the Renaissance Hotel and Convention Center in downtown Montgomery. Registration is free.



For AMEA Members, registration forms can be found in the Members Only section of the AMEA web site,

www.amea.com, 2012 AMEA Power Supply Conference.

To access the registration form, you will need your username and password. If you need assistance, please contact Lisa Miller, Manager of Communications and Marketing, (800) 239-2632, Ext. 118, or lmiller@amea.com. The conference registration deadline is Feb. 22.

The Renaissance is holding a block of rooms for the night of Feb. 29. To reserve a room at a discounted rate of \$125 plus tax per night, call (800) 266-9432 and mention **AMEA 2012 Power Supply Conference**. The room block cut-off is Friday, Feb. 3.

Power Supply Conference speakers will include: Deborah Sliz, President and CEO, Morgan Meguire; Theresa Pugh, Director of Environmental Services, APPA; Terry Mitchell, Principal, Jackson Thornton & Co.; Greg Canfield, Director, Alabama Development Office; Lance Brown, Executive Director, Partnership for Affordable Clean Energy; and Tim Blodgett, President and CEO, Hometown Connections.

For your convenience, the Power Supply Conference is being held the day after the Electric Cities of Alabama (ECA) Montgomery Legislative Briefing & Reception on Feb. 28 at the RSA Plaza Terrace in Montgomery. For more information about the ECA event, call (334) 954-3221, or visit www.electriccities.org.

For further details about the AMEA Power Supply Conference, contact Lisa Miller, or Samantha Alexander, Executive Assistant, (800) 239-2632, Ext. 115, or samantha@amea.com.

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