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## **PWP RANKS AMONG TOP 10 UTILITIES FOR SOLAR INSTALLATIONS IN 2016**

PASADENA, Calif. — Pasadena Water and Power (PWP), has been recognized as one of the nation's "Top Ten" solar power utilities in 2016 with an award for its work from the Smart Electric Power Alliance (SEPA).

PWP ranked No. 10 on the Utility Solar Rankings list, with 545 solar watts per customer installed in 2016. Awards are given in four categories: top 10 utilities for most solar megawatts (MW) and most solar watts per customer, and top 10 utilities for most energy storage megawatts and most energy storage watts per customer. The 10th annual survey includes figures from 412 participating utilities across the country on solar connected to the grid both in 2016 and in total since 2007. The winners in all categories were announced at the SEPA Utility Conference on Wednesday, April 26, held in Tucson, Arizona.

This is the second time that SEPA recognized PWP's solar installation efforts. In 2010, PWP ranked 5th among municipal utilities and 16th among all utilities in the solar "Watts-per Customer" category with 22.3 solar watts per customer. "PWP is honored to be recognized for our commitment to solar technology," said PWP Deputy General Manager Eric Klinkner. "By continuing to embrace green energy, PWP is well-positioned to meet our renewable energy goal of 50% by 2030." To date, PWP has secured 35 MW of utility-scale solar resources and helped install more than 8 MW of customer-owned solar power in Pasadena.

"One of the reasons we started the Utility Solar Top 10 lists back in 2007 was to highlight the key, but often unrecognized role utilities were taking in putting new solar on the grid," said SEPA President and CEO Julia Hamm. "At this pivotal moment in the U.S. energy transition, the industry leaders on this year's Top 10 lists – such as Pasadena Water and Power – will continue to be critical to the growth of solar, storage and other distributed energy resources on the grid."

SEPA is an educational nonprofit organization that facilitates the utility industry's transition to clean energy through education, research, and collaboration. SEPA is the founder of Solar Power International, the largest solar trade show in North America. To see the full list of Top 10 rankings, visit: [www.SEPApower.org/2017-top-10-winners](http://www.SEPApower.org/2017-top-10-winners).

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Deputy General Manager Eric Klinker with SEPA President and CEO Julia Hamm.