

## **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Power Player of the Year**

Eligibility Period: April 1, 2020 - March 31, 2021

SEPA is committed to a diverse and inclusive industry. We believe that diversity, equity, inclusion and access for all are required for a fair and just carbon-free energy future.

This award recognizes organizations, project teams and/or individuals who have demonstrated unique leadership in efforts to advance DEI principles and programs - either at their own organizations or with their customers.

1. Describe how this nominee demonstrated industry leadership to significantly advance the principles of diversity, equity, inclusion and access.
2. How might any of these initiatives be replicated by others?
3. What makes the initiative unique or innovative?
4. In 50 words or less, summarize the initiative, program or efforts that should be recognized.
5. Add up to three links to supporting documentation (optional)

## **Regulatory and Business Innovation Power Player of the Year**

Eligibility Period: April 1, 2020 - March 31, 2021

This award recognizes organizations, project teams and/or individuals who have demonstrated unique innovation and leadership in efforts to facilitate sustainable utility business models and the state regulatory processes needed to achieve a carbon-free energy future.

1. Describe how this nominee demonstrated industry leadership through unique innovation in an effort to significantly advance sustainable utility business models and the state regulatory processes needed to achieve a carbon-free energy future.
2. How might any of these initiatives be replicated by others?
3. Describe any challenges with project development or implementation and describe how these obstacles were overcome.
4. In 50 words or less, summarize the initiative, program or efforts that should be recognized.
5. Add up to three links to supporting documentation (optional)

## **Electrification Power Player of the Year**

Eligibility Period: April 1, 2020 - March 31, 2021

This award recognizes organizations, project teams and/or individuals who have demonstrated unique innovation and leadership in efforts to advance electrification in the electric utility domain, especially vehicle-grid-integration (VGI) or building electrification efforts.

1. Describe how this nominee demonstrated industry leadership through unique innovation in an effort to significantly advance electrification.
2. How might any of these initiatives be replicated by others?
3. Describe any challenges with project development or implementation and describe how these obstacles were overcome.
4. In 50 words or less, summarize the initiative, program or efforts that should be recognized.
5. Add up to three links to supporting documentation (optional)

## **Grid Integration Power Player of the Year**

Eligibility Period: April 1, 2020 - March 31, 2021

This award recognizes organizations, project teams and/or individuals who have demonstrated unique innovation and leadership in efforts to integrate clean energy and distributed energy resources (DERs) into the grid to help achieve carbon reduction and clean energy goals, and meet the needs of their electricity consumers.

1. Describe how this nominee demonstrated industry leadership through unique innovation in an effort to significantly advance grid integration and deployment of clean energy resources.
2. How might any of these initiatives be replicated by others?
3. Describe any challenges with project development or implementation and describe how these obstacles were overcome.
4. In 50 words or less, summarize the initiative, program or efforts that should be recognized.
5. Add up to three links to supporting documentation (optional)

## Investor-Owned Utility of the Year

Eligibility Period: April 1, 2020 - March 31, 2021

This IOU should demonstrate industry leadership through unique innovation in an effort to significantly accelerate the transformation to a clean and modern system.

1. Describe how this IOU demonstrated industry leadership through unique innovation in an effort to significantly advance clean energy, DERs, grid modernization and its value as a resource to help meet the needs of their electricity consumers.
2. How might any of these initiatives be replicated by others?
3. Describe any challenges with project development or implementation and describe how these obstacles were overcome.
4. In 50 words or less, summarize the initiative, program or efforts that should be recognized.
5. Add up to three links to supporting documentation (optional)

## Electric Cooperative of the Year

Eligibility Period: April 1, 2020 - March 31, 2021

This Electric Cooperative should demonstrate industry leadership through unique innovation in an effort to significantly accelerate the transformation to a clean and modern system.

1. Describe how this cooperative demonstrated industry leadership through unique innovation in an effort to significantly advance clean energy, DERs, grid modernization and its value as a resource to help meet the needs of their electricity consumers.
2. How might any of these initiatives be replicated by others?
3. Describe any challenges with project development or implementation and describe how these obstacles were overcome.
4. In 50 words or less, summarize the initiative, program or efforts that should be recognized.
5. Add up to three links to supporting documentation (optional)

## **Public Power Utility of the Year**

Eligibility Period: April 1, 2020 - March 31, 2021

This Public Power Utility should demonstrate industry leadership through unique innovation in an effort to significantly accelerate the transformation to a clean and modern system.

1. Describe how this Public Power Utility demonstrated industry leadership through unique innovation in an effort to significantly advance clean energy, DERs, grid modernization and its value as a resource to help meet the needs of their electricity consumers.
2. How might any of these initiatives be replicated by others?
3. Describe any challenges with project development or implementation and describe how these obstacles were overcome.
4. In 50 words or less, summarize the initiative, program or efforts that should be recognized.
5. Add up to three links to supporting documentation (optional)

## **Individual Power Player of the Year**

Eligibility Period: April 1, 2020 - March 31, 2021

This award recognizes an individual who, while working in the energy industry, has demonstrated leadership and innovation to significantly advance an integrative perspective of clean energy, DER, grid modernization and its value as a resource to help meet the needs of their electricity consumers. The individual's 'body of work' can span a longer period of time, but should include activity and accomplishments during the nomination period.

1. Describe how this nominee has demonstrated leadership and innovation to significantly advance an integrative perspective of clean energy, DERs, grid modernization and its value as a resource to help meet the needs of electricity consumers.
2. How might others replicate these efforts?
3. Describe any challenges and how these obstacles were overcome.
4. In 50 words or less, summarize the nominee's efforts.
5. Add up to three links to supporting documentation (optional)