

**Press information from:
WAKEFIELD MUNICIPAL GAS & LIGHT
DEPARTMENT**

For immediate release 7-11-11

For information contact:
(781) 245-7070

**WMGLD General Manager Dion Re-Elected President of
MMWEC**

(Wakefield, MA) – Pete Dion, General Manager of the Wakefield Municipal Gas & Light Department (WMGLD), was recently re-elected to his third one-year term as President of the Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company (MMWEC), a nonprofit, public corporation and political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

As President, General Manager Dion serves with a 12-member Board of Directors comprised of seven managers or commissioners of MMWEC member utilities elected by the membership, and two directors appointed by the Governor of Massachusetts. The governing bodies of the towns of Hampden, Ludlow and Wilbraham appoint the remaining three representatives to vote on matters affecting their respective towns.

“I am honored that my peers have elected me to serve as MMWEC President for the next year,” the General Manager said “I will continue to be an advocate not only for municipal utility interests in the development of New England’s electricity marketplace, but also for WMGLD customers and others serviced by a municipal electric utility.”

Founded in 1969 to provide services to the consumer-owned, municipal utilities of Massachusetts, MMWEC provides numerous power supply services to its 20 members and 28 project participant utilities, including power supply forecasting and planning, project and contract development, power supply and demand management, as well as a

range of services facilitating municipal utility participation in wholesale power markets. MMWEC also provides a variety of financial services, including bond issuance, money management, treasury, accounting and budgeting services, as well as engineering and project operations, risk management, information systems and business services.

MMWEC is the operator and principal owner of the Stony Brook Power Plant, which includes approximately 527 megawatts of electric generation, a natural gas pipeline, oil storage tanks, electric transmission lines and other facilities. MMWEC owns approximately 720 megawatts in five New England power plants, including Stony Brook, Seabrook Station in New Hampshire, Millstone Unit 3 in Connecticut and Wyman Unit 4 in Maine.

The organization recently joined with the Berkshire Wind Cooperative in dedicating the 10-turbine, 15-megawatt wind farm in Hancock, Massachusetts owned by the cooperative comprised of MMWEC and 14 of its member utilities, including Wakefield MGLD. Berkshire Wind is the largest wind power initiative in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In addition to MMWEC, General Manager Dion is active in the American Public Power Association (APPA) as a member of the APPA Policy Makers Council, a national council that makes policy recommendations to the Board of Directors and APPA membership. He has been recognized by APPA for his contributions to the organization and its various committees.