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2018 Excellence in Energy Efficient Design Award Winners Announced

DES MOINES, Iowa – Sept. 21, 2018 – Recipients of the 2018 Excellence in Energy Efficient Design Awards were announced at the 2018 American Institute of Architects Iowa Convention in Des Moines, Iowa. The Excellence in Energy Efficient Design Award program recognizes outstanding efforts in reducing energy use. Candidates are selected from projects whose designers participated in the Commercial New Construction program offered by Alliant Energy, Black Hills Energy and MidAmerican Energy Company. Projects must have been completed between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018.

The Commercial New Construction program provides energy design assistance and energy-efficiency incentives to commercial customers for new construction, additions and renovation projects located in areas served by the three utilities.

The Commercial New Construction program recognizes the following companies:

1. **OPN Architects and Design Engineers** for the Johnson County Ambulance Service and Medical Examiner Facility, achieving a 64 percent annual kBTU savings.
2. **OPN Architects and Design Engineers** for the Marion ISD Longfellow Elementary School, achieving a 62 percent annual kBTU savings.
3. **Shive-Hattery Architecture + Engineering** for the Clear Creek Amana CSD High School Expansion, achieving a 59 percent annual kBTU savings.

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4. **Roseland Mackey Harris and Brewer Engineering Consultants** for the Ames Fitness Center, achieving a 59 percent annual kBTU savings.
5. **OPN Architects and Design Engineers** for the Iowa City CSD Hoover Elementary School, achieving a 56 percent annual kBTU savings.
6. **SVPA Architects and Design Engineers** for the Iowa City CSD Liberty High School, achieving a 51 percent annual kBTU savings.
7. **DLR Group and Farris Engineering** for the Bishop Heelan Catholic High School Academic Wing, achieving a 51 percent annual kBTU savings.
8. **Shive-Hattery Architecture + Engineering** for the Cedar Rapids CSD Grant Elementary Renovation, achieving a 50 percent annual kBTU savings.
9. **Kueny Architects, Southport Engineered Systems and Root Engineering Services** for the City of Dubuque Jule Operations and Training Center, achieving a 49 percent annual kBTU savings.
10. **GTG Companies and Baker Group** for the Baker Group Headquarters, achieving a 42 percent annual kBTU savings.

Alliant Energy, Black Hills Energy and MidAmerican Energy thank the Iowa architectural and engineering communities for their continued dedication to energy efficiency and participation in the Commercial New Construction program.

Alliant Energy Corporation

Alliant Energy Corporation's Iowa energy company, Interstate Power and Light Company (IPL), utilizes the trade name of Alliant Energy. The Iowa utility is based in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and provides electric service to 490,000 retail customers and natural gas service to 220,000 retail customers. The employees of Alliant Energy focus on delivering the energy solutions and exceptional service their customers and communities expect – safely, efficiently and responsibly. Alliant Energy Corporation (NYSE: LNT) is traded on the New York Stock Exchange and is a component of the S&P 500. For more information, visit alliantenergy.com

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Black Hills Energy – Iowa Gas

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MidAmerican Energy Company

MidAmerican Energy Company, headquartered in Des Moines, Iowa, serves 770,000 electric customers and 751,000 natural gas customers in Iowa, Illinois, Nebraska and South Dakota. Information about MidAmerican Energy is available at midamericanenergy.com and company social media channels.

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