

CONTRIBUTION FORM

What Is PowerPAC?

PowerPAC is a political action committee that gives directly to candidates, but not to political parties or to other PACs. It is non-partisan and is governed by a board of directors that represents a cross-section of APPA membership. The board is responsible for reviewing and selecting candidates to receive PowerPAC support, as well as managing fundraising and communications for PowerPAC.

Decisions about who PowerPAC supports are made on the basis of five criteria:

- Does the candidate understand and support the concerns and interests of public power?
- Is the candidate's position and voting record supportive of public power?
- Does he or she serve on a committee considering legislation important to public power?
- Does he or she hold a leadership position within Congress or have the potential to hold a leadership position?
- Can the candidate be elected, and does he or she need PowerPAC's financial assistance?

PowerPAC reminds lawmakers that public power is politically aware and actively involved in all aspects of the political process. Help us keep up with the political action committees associated with investor-owned utilities and other electricity industry interest groups.

It's politically smart—By pooling our resources through PowerPAC, we can have a greater impact on political campaigns than any one of us could by acting alone and can represent public power's voice in congressional elections.

Every dollar goes to candidates—APPA pays all administrative and solicitation costs for PowerPAC, as allowed under federal law.

It's voluntary—You may contribute as much as you like, up to the annual maximum of \$5,000 per year allowed by federal law.

It's legal—PowerPAC is registered with the Federal Election Commission in Washington, D.C. It is authorized by the Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended, and is in compliance with all applicable laws. PowerPAC has the right to accept unsolicited contributions. PowerPAC only contributes to U.S. House and Senate candidates.

Benefits—PowerPAC membership at the \$50 level or higher entitles you to free admission to the PowerPAC event at the annual Legislative Rally in Washington, D.C., in February and invitations to other PowerPAC events held at APPA meetings throughout the

year. Here, you will meet members of Congress from key committees and hear their views on issues involving the electric utility industry.

Rewards—As a member of PowerPAC, you will receive a free PowerPAC membership pin. Wear your PowerPAC pin proudly at all APPA meetings. When people ask, "How can I get one?"—tell them to join PowerPAC.

MEMBERSHIP FORM



Influence

You can personally help public power meet its political challenges with your support of PowerPAC, public power's national political action committee. PowerPAC helps public power communicate its concerns in Washington, D.C., where so many crucial decisions are made. We must help elect candidates who understand public power

and who will make decisions that are in our interests.

Why PowerPAC?

In the United States, a political action committee, or PAC, is the name commonly given to an interest group, regardless of size,

organized as a vehicle to make contributions to political candidates whose ideology aligns with that of the group (or who is an incumbent who sits on congressional committees with jurisdiction over issues impacting the group).

Trade associations like APPA are prohibited by law from contributing dues income to candidates for federal office. However, APPA can encourage its members and their employees to play an active role by making

personal contributions to a political action committee (in this case PowerPAC) that supports candidates who will make decisions in the interests of public power systems.

Questions?

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You can contribute to PowerPAC by personal check made payable to PowerPAC or by personal VISA, MasterCard or AMEX.

To contribute online visit <http://publicpower.org/PAC> and login using your work email as a username and the password "POWERPAC". Contributions to PowerPAC are not tax deductible.

___ \$750 + President's Circle

___ \$500-\$749 Platinum Member

___ \$300-\$499 Gold Member

___ \$150-\$299 Silver Member

___ \$50-\$149 Bronze Member

___ \$1-\$49 "Starter PAC" Member

Not able to make a big contribution all at once? The option to make automatic contributions on a monthly or quarterly basis is available online at <http://aristotle.publicpower.org>

Name

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Address where credit card is registered

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Amount _____ Payment Type: Cash Check Credit Card

Credit Card Type: VISA MC AMEX

Credit Card #

Expiration Date

Contributions using a corporate credit card or funds are prohibited. Contributions must be made using personal funds only.

The purpose of PowerPAC is to support political candidates on the federal level who support issues and policies important to public power utilities. You have the right to refuse to contribute to PowerPAC without fear of reprisal. Membership levels are merely suggestions and you are free to contribute more or less than the guidelines suggest; you will not be favored or disadvantaged by reason of the amount of your contribution your decision not to contribute.