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## **MODESTO IRRIGATION DISTRICT RECOGNIZED AS A RELIABLE PUBLIC POWER PROVIDER**

MODESTO, CA – Modesto Irrigation District (MID) has earned a Reliable Public Power Provider (RP<sub>3</sub>) designation from the American Public Power Association for providing reliable and safe electric service. Aaron Haderle, Manager of Transmission and Distribution Operations at Kissimmee Utility Authority, Florida and chair of the Association’s RP<sub>3</sub> Review Panel, presented the designations on April 1 during the Association’s annual Engineering & Operations Technical Conference held in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

The RP<sub>3</sub> designation, which lasts for three years, recognizes public power utilities that demonstrate proficiency in four key disciplines: reliability, safety, workforce development, and system improvement. Criteria include sound business practices and a utility-wide commitment to safe and reliable delivery of electricity. MID joins more than 275 public power utilities nationwide that hold the RP<sub>3</sub> designation.

“Receiving an RP<sub>3</sub> designation is a great honor. It demonstrates that a utility strives for a high level of service and is constantly looking to improve,” said Haderle. “Aside from demonstrating reliability, these designated utilities have shown commitment to system improvement, safety, and developing a strong and sustainable workforce.”

“We take pride in the work that we do to power our community,” said Ed Franciosa, MID’s Assistant General Manager of Transmission and Distribution. “This RP<sub>3</sub> designation reflects MID’s commitment to providing reliable service for our customers, while promoting a positive safety culture, enhancing our workforce development and maintaining our system’s integrity.”

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### **About the Modesto Irrigation District**

The Modesto Irrigation District, established in 1887, is a vertically integrated public utility located in California’s Central Valley. MID provides irrigation water to more than 2,300 agricultural accounts irrigating close to 60,000 acres and electricity to more than 122,000 residential, commercial and agricultural accounts in Modesto, Empire, Salida, Waterford and Mountain House as well as parts of Escalon, Oakdale, Ripon and Riverbank. MID also treats, delivers and wholesales up to 67,000 acre-feet of drinking water per year to the City of Modesto. For more information about MID visit [www.mid.org](http://www.mid.org) or follow MID on Facebook ([@modestoirrigationdistrict](https://www.facebook.com/modestoirrigationdistrict)) and Twitter ([@mod\\_irrigation](https://twitter.com/mod_irrigation)).

### **About the American Public Power Association**

The American Public Power Association has offered the RP<sub>3</sub> designation for 14 years now. The Association is the voice of not-for-profit, community-owned utilities that power 49 million people in 2,000 towns and cities nationwide. The Association advocates and advises on electricity policy, technology, trends, training, and operations.