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CNX Resources Recognized as 2023 Operator of the Year

Leadership, Safety, and Environmental Stewardship Also Awarded in 2023 for Excellence in Virginia's Gas and Oil Industry

Richmond, Va. – The Virginia Department of Energy (Virginia Energy) named CNX Resources the 2023 Operator of the Year and presented an additional six awards for outstanding achievements in the gas and oil industries at the annual Virginia Oil and Gas Association (VOGA) meeting in Hot Springs this week.

"Natural gas is responsible for heating over 1.4 million homes and producing over 50% of the electricity in Virginia. It's our primary source of dispatchable electricity and its importance cannot be overstated," **said Virginia Energy Director Glenn Davis.** "The innovations we're seeing from companies like CNX showcase the industry's potential to adapt and thrive in our evolving energy landscape."

CNX was recognized for its longstanding commitment to industry innovation and operational excellence in Southwest Virginia's coalfields. For more than three decades, the company developed creative solutions to industry challenges, demonstrating resilience and adaptability. This award also acknowledges CNX's significant contributions to environmental stewardship and engagement with local communities, which have solidified their position as a prominent and respected energy provider in Virginia.

Other awards included:

Local Distribution Company of the Year: Virginia Natural Gas

Virginia Natural Gas serves over 300,000 customers, pledged net-zero emissions by 2050, and incorporated Renewable Natural Gas. They opened a new Customer Care Center, creating new jobs and lowering customer bills.

Outstanding Service Provider of the Year: JWT Well Service

JWT Well Service established a culture valuing employees through training programs, maintaining an excellent safety record, and delivering high-quality projects on time and on budget.

Industry Innovation & Environmental Stewardship: CNX Resources

CNX Resources received the Industry Innovation award for implementing new technologies to reduce methane emissions at compressor stations. They received the Environmental Stewardship Award for numerous efforts to prevent and quickly stop methane leaks.

Community Outreach: Diversified Energy

Diversified Energy encourages employees to be in the community. Employees were on hand to volunteer at the Virginia-Kentucky Fair, collected donations for local families in need, raised funds for the Ronald McDonald House, and supported teachers through donating school supplies.

Individual Excellence: Mike Jenkins, CNX Resources

In his 50+ year career, Mike Jenkins designed and implemented new systems, including the first microturbines for power generation, and trained over 1,000 individuals as Master Electricians.

Virginia Gas and Oil Industry Awards are presented annually by the Virginia Department of Energy. Learn more about the Commonwealth's gas and oil operations on the agency [website](#).

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