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# TONY MONTOYA RECEIVES ALLTRICITY NETWORK'S 2025 HONORARY LIFE MEMBER AWARD

ENGLEWOOD, Colorado — Tony Montoya, Retired Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer at Western Area Power Administration, received the 2025 Honorary Life Member Award from the Alltricity Network at its 2025 Fall Convention, held September 29-October 1 in Kansas City, MO.

The Honorary Life Member Award honors retired individuals for their years of dedicated service, esteemed reputation, and lasting contributions to the association, their organization, and the electric utility industry.

Before retiring, Tony oversaw day-to-day operations delivering 10,000 MW of hydroelectric power across 17,000 miles of high voltage transmission and 325 substations to more than 600 wholesale communities. He also served 10 years on the RMEL (now Alltricity Network) Board, including as President in 2016. His 40-year career and continued active engagement in the utility sector demonstrate his deep commitment to the industry and



the people he has served. Tony's influence and contributions are evident across the many platforms where he has shared his expertise and knowledge with the electric utility industry.

Congratulations to Tony and to all five 2025 Alltricity Network Award Winners. Thank you for your dedication to the electric utility industry:

## **Industry Leadership Award Recipients**

- » Chris Cohick, Engineering Design & GIS Manager, Delta-Montrose Electric Association
- » Diane Fischer, Director of Generation Services, Kiewit
- » Amy Hackler, Vice President of Business Development, MasTec Industrial

### **Honorary Life Member Award Recipients**

- » Rick Hillis, Retired—Vice President of Transmission System Support, Tri-State Generation & Transmission Association, Inc.
- » Tony Montoya, Retired—Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer, Western Area Power Administration

The 2026 nomination period will open in early-Spring 2026. For details and submission guidelines for each award, visit AlltricityNetwork.org/Awards.

#### **About Alltricity Network** (formerly known as RMEL):

Alltricity Network is a not-for-profit trade association that has served the electric utility industry since 1903. United through education, networking, and training, our community—and our impact—is stronger. Alltricity Network's mission is: *Preparing the electric utility industry for the future through education and networking*. For more information, visit our website: AlltricityNetwork.org.