

STATE OF DELAWARE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR



**STATEMENT  
IN OBSERVANCE OF  
DELAWARE MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC CORPORATION DAY**

*Whereas*, nine of Delaware's cities and towns (Clayton, Dover, Lewes, Middletown, Milford, New Castle, Newark, Seaford and Smyrna) are engaged in the supplying of reliable public electric power to their more than 126,000 residential, commercial and industrial users; and

*Whereas*, in 1978, the Delaware General Assembly wisely enacted legislation which authorized the State's public power municipalities to form a joint action agency to act as a wholesale public utility for their collective benefit; and

*Whereas*, in 1979, Delaware's public power municipalities formed a non-profit *quasi*-public corporation known as the Delaware Municipal Electric Corporation ("DEMEC") to act on their behalf to secure and supply competitively priced and reliable electric energy; and

*Whereas*, each of Delaware's public power municipalities is a member of the Corporation, and each has a seat on its board of directors thereby advancing a central corporate goal of protecting community control of public power in Delaware; and

*Whereas*, DEMEC has efficiently and reliably supplied all of the electric power demand of eight of its nine public municipalities (Dover having its own alternative generating capacity); and

*Whereas*, in addition to its primary mission of supplying reliable public power to its members, DEMEC also provides them with legal and technical assistance with regional and national regulatory bodies, training programs, economic and customer development, capital financing, and energy efficiency programs; and

*Whereas*, DEMEC has demonstrated similar leadership by investing more than \$72 million in generation facilities and electrical infrastructure located in Delaware to serve its customers with reliable, efficient and clean sources of public power, including converting to primary sources of electric generation produced from cleaner burning natural gas, both by developing in-state generating capacity (100 MW from its Beasley Power Station in Smyrna) and by securing a major stake (92 MW) in the Fremont (Ohio) Power Center.

**Now, Therefore, We, Jack A. Markell, Governor,  
and Matthew Denn, Lieutenant Governor,  
do hereby declare April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

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in the State of Delaware, and urge all Delawareans to do their share this week and throughout the year, to help combat air pollution, thus, making our air cleaner and healthier to breathe.



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