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**EPA RECOGNIZES PARK CITY COMMUNITY WITH A GREEN POWER LEADERSHIP AWARD
PARK CITY COMMUNITY RECEIVES EPA'S FIRST GREEN POWER COMMUNITY OF THE YEAR AWARD**

PARK CITY, Utah – October 21, 2010

Park City Municipal Corporation announced today that the community has been honored with a 2010 Green Power Leadership Award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The annual awards recognize the country's leading green power purchasers for their commitment and contribution to helping advance the development of the nation's voluntary green power market. EPA presented Park City with the award at an event held in conjunction with the 2010 Renewable Energy Markets Conference in Portland, Ore. on October 20, 2010.

Park City was one of only two EPA Green Power Communities nationwide to receive a Leadership Award for purchasing renewable energy in amounts that meet or exceed EPA purchase requirements for residents' and businesses' collective green power purchase. Park City became an EPA Green Power Community in 2006. The Park City community is currently purchasing more than 11 million kilowatt-hours (kWh) of green power annually, which is enough green power to meet 3 percent of the community's purchased electricity use. Green Power Communities distinguish themselves through their green power usage, leadership, citizen engagement, renewable energy strategy, and impact on the green power market.

"We are proud to receive this prestigious award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency," said Park City Mayor Dana Williams. "Purchasing green power helps our community become more sustainable, while also sending a message to others across the U.S. that supporting clean sources of electricity is a sound business decision and an important choice to fight climate change." Mayor Williams added that he is proud that this is a community award, recognizing the individual efforts of residents and businesses, as well as local government.

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Green power is electricity that is generated from environmentally preferable renewable resources, such as wind, solar, geothermal, biogas, biomass and low-impact hydro. These resources generate electricity with a net zero increase in carbon dioxide emissions, while offering a superior environmental profile compared to traditional power generation sources. Green power purchases also support the development of new renewable energy generation sources nationwide.

“EPA congratulates our leadership award winners for demonstrating by example the importance of using clean, renewable energy,” said Gina McCarthy, Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation at EPA. “By using green power, Park City, Utah is leading the way toward cleaner air and a healthier environment while helping advance the market for renewable energy.”

According to the EPA, Park City’s current green power purchase of more than 11 million kWh is equivalent to avoiding the carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions of nearly 2,000 passenger vehicles per year, or is the equivalent amount of electricity needed to power nearly 1,000 average American homes annually.

Park City has a successful track record of environmental initiatives. The City has sponsored several renewable energy projects including solar PV installations at the City’s Ice Arena and at Creekside Park, and an affordable housing development with 13 units that all include solar PV, solar thermal, and geothermal heat pumps. Later this month a solar array will be added to City Hall. The City is in the middle of its third renewable energy challenge in the past 10 years. The goal of the Blue Sky community challenge is to increase total Blue Sky participation in Park City from 11 to 15 percent.

About Park City, Utah

Park City, located Summit County, Utah, is an internationally recognized four season destination resort community. Once the second largest silver producing town in the United States, Park City with its world famous ski resorts (Deer Valley Resort and Park City Mountain Resort) is home to the United States Ski & Snowboard Association, the Sundance Film Festival and numerous other yearly events. As a major mountain venue for the 2002 Olympic Winter Games, Park City’s reputation for hospitality and sports continues to grow. Park City is widely recognized for pioneering many innovative planning and sustainability initiatives, and stands at the forefront of preserving open space, creating trails, fostering affordable housing, and preserving its historic character and small town charm. Park City has an area of approximately 12 square miles and a permanent resident population of approximately 8,300. Visit Park City Municipal’s award-winning website at <http://www.parkcity.org> .

About EPA’s Green Power Communities

To date, more than 30 cities and towns in Alaska, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Maryland, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wisconsin have partnered with the U.S Environmental Protection to become EPA Green Power Communities. Green Power Communities are towns, villages, cities, counties, or Native American tribes in which the local government, businesses, and residents collectively buy green power in amounts that meet or exceed EPA’s Green Power Community purchase requirements. For more information about EPA Green Power Communities, please visit <http://www.epa.gov/greenpower/communities/index.htm>.

About the Green Power Leadership Awards

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) co-sponsors the annual Green Power Leadership Awards in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Energy and the Center for Resource Solutions. EPA recognizes winners in the following awards categories; Green Power Partner of the Year; On-site Generation; Green Power Purchase, and Green Power Community of the Year. EPA's Purchaser awards recognize the exceptional achievement among EPA Green Power Partners who distinguish themselves through green power procurement, market leadership, overall green power strategy, and overall impact on the green power market. The Awards are held in conjunction with the Renewable Energy Markets Conference. For additional information please visit <http://www.epa.gov/greenpower/awards/>.

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