



## News Release

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### **Six Utah Colleges Receive Scholarship Funds for Engineering Students**

SALT LAKE CITY – More than \$1 million has been pledged by the Intermountain Power Agency to create scholarships for engineering students at six Utah colleges and universities.

IPA contributed \$300,000 during its fiscal year 2008-2009 that added to previously funded endowments at the University of Utah, Utah State University, Snow College, Dixie College, the College of Eastern Utah, and Mountainland Applied Technology College. More than \$100,000 has been budgeted for scholarships during its next fiscal year that begins in July.

“Encouraging talented young people to enter the engineering field is of vital importance to our industry and our nation,” said James A. Hewlett, general manager of the Intermountain Power Agency. “A generation of engineers throughout the United States is nearing retirement and we need more qualified young people to fill those ranks.”

Engineering students interested in studying clean coal technologies and climate change receive preference in the awards of scholarships from the IPA funded endowments.

The Intermountain Power Agency is an organization of 23 Utah municipalities formed to finance, construct, operate and maintain the Intermountain Power Project. The Project generates enough electricity to supply the needs of more than 1.5 million homes.

Historically, the Project has been one of America’s cleanest and most efficiently operated coal-based generating stations. Today, the Project has expanded its efforts to improve environmental performance to include reducing greenhouse gas emissions. The Project is investigating several strategies for off-setting, reducing and capturing and storing carbon dioxide emissions. The Project is also actively supporting the development of renewable energy resources in Utah.

The Intermountain Power Project includes a two-unit coal-fueled generating station located near Delta, Utah, two transmission systems, a microwave communication system and a railcar service center, all built as a joint undertaking by 36 utilities in Utah and California.