Alan Williford

Chief Operating Officer

As AMEA's Chief Operating Officer, Alan Williford is responsible for AMEA's long-term power supply needs, which include administration of power supply contracts, contract negotiations, evaluation of alternative sources of power supply and maintaining the value of the members SEPA resource; long-term load forecasting; production cost modeling; wholesale rate design; corporate modeling software systems; development of new rate riders; delivery point additions; reliability of delivery point transmission planning; information technology services; and, supervisory control and data acquisition services; and building maintenance.

He joined AMEA in January 1999 as an Engineer II to work with AMEA staff in developing its long-term power supply needs. This included development of the Power Supply Solutions Inquiry, analysis and evaluation of several competitive power supply offers, and the negotiation of AMEA's power supply contract with Alabama Power Company (APCo) that went into effect Jan. 1, 2006. Most recently, this included negotiation of AMEA's Purchase Power Agreement with South Carolina Public Service Authority, which went into effect Jan. 1, 2014; negotiations, analysis and development of AMEA's Amended and Restated Power Supply Agreement with APCo, which went into effect Jan. 1, 2013; as well as an amendment providing further enhancements to the agreement, effective Oct. 15, 2013.

Mr. Williford was the initial project manager for the AMEA-Sylacauga Plant. The AMEA-Sylacauga Plant is a peaking power generation plant and is AMEA's first and only generating facility. He also worked on the Alabama Fuel Cell Demonstration Project at the Mercedes-Benz Plant in Vance, AL.

Mr. Willford has over 29 years of experience in the electric utility industry. His experience spans the areas of relay and control, system protection, substation construction and commissioning, and supervisor control and data acquisition (SCADA), and power supply.

Prior to joining AMEA, Mr. Williford worked for Oglethorpe Power Corporation and transitioned to Georgia Transmission Corporation following what is referred to as the unbundling of electric services (8 years). His role was initially that of an ECS (Energy Control System) Test Engineer and he later became the Manager of Electronics Maintenance. In this role, he was responsible for the operation and maintenance of over 450 remote terminal units and over 700 electronic meters that were the "eyes and cash registers" for the Oglethorpe Power system.

Mr. Williford also worked with Mississippi Power & Light, where he was a System Operations & Construction Engineer. In this role, Mr. Williford commissioned 15+ distribution substation projects; performed the protective relay coordination for the

Mississippi Power & Light transmission system; and was responsible for protective relay scheme testing at the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station 500 kV switchyard.

Mr. Williford started as a co-op engineering student with Gulf Power Company in Pensacola, FL, in the Relay & Control Department.

Mr. Williford served two terms as president of the Southeastern Federal Power Customers (SeFPC) Inc. Prior to this, he served two consecutive terms as vice president and secretary of SeFPC. Mr. Williford continues to remain active in the organization on behalf of AMEA's 11 Members. SeFPC represents the hydropower interests of cooperatives and municipal systems in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia, which serve over six million customers.

He was appointed to the Governing Board of the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint (ACF) Stakeholders in May 2015. The mission of the ACF Stakeholders is to change the operation and management of the ACF Basin.

Mr. Willford holds a B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Alabama.

He and his wife, Sandra, reside in Montgomery, AL.