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RIVIERA UTILITIES' MIKE DUGGER APPOINTED TO AMEA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Riviera Utilities General Manager Mike Dugger is the newest member of the Alabama Municipal Electric Authority's (AMEA) Board of Directors. Dugger was appointed to the board during the regular June meeting to fill the unexpired term of board member Don Boone. Boone, who is Riviera's Electric Department Superintendent, retired from the utility June 29 after 35 years of service.

Dugger, a native of Brewton, holds a B.S. degree in civil engineering from Auburn University. He has served in various capacities with Riviera Utilities, Foley, since 1981, and has been General Manager of the utility since Jan. 2002.

Dugger's professional affiliations have included past chairman of Electric Cities of Alabama; past treasurer of the Alabama Natural Gas Association; past officer and board member of the Public Gas Association of Alabama; and, past general chairman of the United Municipal Distributors Group. He is a member of the Alabama Water Pollution Control Association and the American Water Works Association.

Dugger's community involvement includes board member of the Foley Rotary Club; past chairman of the South Baldwin Chamber of Commerce; and past president of the Kiwanis Club of Foley.

Some of his honors have included being named the Foley Rotary Club's Paul Harris Fellow in 2004; Kiwanian of the Year in 1987 and 1996; and Jaycee of the Year in 1984. He was inducted into the South Baldwin Jaycees Hall of Fame in 1988.

Dugger and his wife, Karon, have three children and three grandchildren.

AMEA, located in Montgomery, provides electricity to more than 350,000 municipal customers in Alexander City, Dothan, Fairhope, Foley, LaFayette, Lanett, Luverne, Opelika, Piedmont, Sylacauga, and Tuskegee.