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NHA now accepting scholarship applications

Washington, DC (January 3, 2012) –The National Hydropower Association is pleased to announce that it is now taking applications for the 2011 NHA Past Presidents' Legacy Scholarship. The \$2,500 scholarship goes to promising young people who demonstrate the academic skills and commitment to help create the next generation of the hydropower industry.

Details:

Who: (1) current **college** sophomores or juniors who will be **college** juniors or seniors beginning fall 2012, or graduate students with a minimum cumulative 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent) GPA who are enrolled in a full-time undergraduate or graduate course of study at an accredited four-year college or university; (2) Applicants must be students with an equivalent GPA at an accredited vocational technical school or program. All applicants must be U.S. Citizens or legal residents.

Applicant must be pursuing a program of study that is related to the hydropower industry: Engineering, sciences (biology, fisheries, and hydrology), communications, or environmental studies.

Application: Available at

http://hydro.org/about-nha/awards/past-presidents%E2%80%99-legacy-scholarship/

Deadline: February 15, 2012

Presentation: At the NHA Annual Conference in Washington, D.C., in April 2012

Send application to:

The National Hydropower Association Past Presidents' Legacy Scholarship Program Scholarship Management Services One Scholarship Way, PO Box 297 Saint Peter, MN 56082

Background:

NHA created the Past Presidents' Legacy Scholarship in 2008 to encourage students to consider becoming part of the U.S. hydropower industry. The growing industry has professionals in many different fields, including engineering, IT, biology, environmental sciences, forestry, hydrology, animal

sciences, management, financial services, communications, and other areas. Many companies also offer high-paying skilled labor and technical positions.

Last year's winner, Namratha Gudemaranahalli, a junior at West Virginia University, is pursuing a degree in Biology.

Contributions from NHA, the Hydro Research Foundation, organizations throughout the industry, and individual givers fund the NHA Past Presidents' Legacy Scholarship. We encourage everyone who supports the future of clean, renewable, affordable energy to join us in making tax-deductible contributions.

Please send contributions to: Ms. Pat Halter Scholarship America One Scholarship Way St. Peter, MN 56082

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