

# ARRIPA Awards Wheelabrator Frackville for its operational success in 2007

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**FRACKVILLE, P.A. - August 27, 2008** - At the 18th Annual Tech Convention in Harrisburg-Hershey, Pa., the Anthracite Region Independent Power Plant Association (ARIPPA) presented Wheelabrator Frackville with three of its coveted industry awards for the plant's outstanding performance in 2007 during ARRIPA's Alternative Energy: Waste Coal Conversion-to-Energy Awards luncheon on August 27, 2008

Every year, ARIPPA recognizes highly efficient and safe energy-producing plants designed to convert waste coal into clean, sustainable alternative energy. The awards represent outstanding achievements in the areas of environmental benefits, plant safety, energy availability and capacity.

Wheelabrator Frackville was awarded the "Capacity Percentage Award" in the Anthracite region as well as the "Rock Burner of the Year Award" for its operational performance in 2007. The plant was also the recipient of the "2007 Highest Availability for a Single Boiler Award."

"We are delighted to be awarded three of ARIPPA's performance awards. Wheelabrator Frackville continues to operate with three goals in mind," said Tim Porczynski, plant manager, Wheelabrator Frackville. "Ongoing commitment to worker health and safety through our participation in OSHA's Voluntary Protection Program, reclaiming hundreds of damaged acres of land left behind by the coal mining industry, and utilizing the most reliable and cleanest technologies to convert waste coal into energy to supply reliable alternative energy for our customers."

## About Wheelabrator Frackville Energy Company Inc.

Located in Frackville, Pa., the Wheelabrator Frackville cogeneration facility provides dependable, environmentally safe disposal of anthracite coal mining waste (culm), while generating clean, renewable steam and electricity. Designed, constructed, owned and operated by Wheelabrator Technologies Inc., the Frackville facility processes 500,000 tons of culm each year. With an electric-generating capacity of 48 megawatts, Wheelabrator Frackville generates more than 300 million kilowatt-hours of electricity for sale to the local utility and supplies over 60 million pounds of steam to the Pennsylvania State Correctional Institution at Frackville. As a result of its operations since 1989, Wheelabrator Frackville has reclaimed and re-vegetated over 135 acres of abandoned mine lands.

## About Wheelabrator Technologies

A wholly owned subsidiary of Waste Management of Houston, Texas, Wheelabrator Technologies Inc. is a world leader in the safe and environmentally sound conversion of municipal solid waste and other renewable waste fuels into clean energy. Wheelabrator's 17 waste-to-energy facilities provide safe waste disposal for towns and cities across the U.S. Wheelabrator also operates five independent power plants designed to generate electricity using an assortment of fuels, including waste wood, tires, waste coal, and natural gas. In addition to producing electricity, some of these facilities also produce steam sold to nearby government and commercial establishments. Wheelabrator's 22 facilities have a combined electric generating capacity of 896 megawatts, enough energy to power more than 985,000 homes. To learn more, visit [www.wheelabratortechnologies.com](http://www.wheelabratortechnologies.com).

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