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## **DMEC Announces 2008 Chet Miller Leadership Award Winner**

**San Diego, California—August 10, 2008**—Loyd Hudson of American Electric Power was honored with the Disability Management Employer Coalition's (DMEC's) Chet Miller Leadership Award as part of the opening ceremonies at the 13<sup>th</sup> International Absence and Disability Management Conference in Denver, Colorado. DMEC recognized Hudson as the one individual who in 2008 best demonstrates the professionalism that Chet applied every day to his work for DMEC as well as in the field of disability management. This is the highest award that DMEC confers.

Criteria for the award include:

C: Charismatic	M: Mentoring
H: Hardworking	I: Initiative
E: Enthusiastic	L: Leadership
T: Team Worker	L: Loyalty
	E: Enterprising
	R: Resourcefulness

According to Marcia Carruthers, CPDM, CEO of DMEC, "Loyd's leadership qualities have made him both an invaluable part of the Employer Advisory Council and a well-respected colleague of our members. Through his encouragement, several employers have benefited from on-site visits to AEP's facilities and up-close inspection of their innovative program. Loyd takes special pride in sharing his self-devised tools and resources and being a mentor to others. He has clearly demonstrated the attributes inherent in the Chet Miller Leadership Award."

### **About DMEC**

The Disability Management Employer Coalition (DMEC) is a non-profit organization that provides educational resources to employers in the areas of disability, absence, health, and productivity. The primary goal of DMEC is to assist employers in developing cost-saving programs, encouraging responsive market products, and returning employees to productive employment. Visit [www.dmec.org](http://www.dmec.org) for more information about educational publications and events.

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