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Quick Facts

- Winthrop has been named a 2006 Duke Energy Power Award winner because of its conscientious energy management efforts.

ROCK HILL, S.C. - Winthrop University considers energy management a key component of building a level of overall cost-efficiency that continues to be top-rated among all public universities in the state.

Most recently, through collaboration with **Duke Energy** and the state energy office, energy solutions have been identified that allow Winthrop to reduce energy costs and increase efficiency by using different fuels to produce steam with a new electrode boiler. This partnership resulted in benefits for both organizations.

Because of the university's conscientious energy management efforts, **Winthrop** recently was named a **2006 Duke Energy Power Partner Award winner**.

President Anthony DiGiorgio said the award recognizes "just one example of the kind of work that goes on behind the scenes at Winthrop all the time, keeping our operations efficient and cost-effective, and contributing to our national reputation for quality and value. When any part of Winthrop achieves this kind of distinction, it helps all the rest of Winthrop achieve distinction, too."

According to **Duke Energy** officials, Winthrop, along with additional award winners Freightliner of Cleveland, LLC, Hendrick Motorsports, Inc., Pharr Yarns, R.R. Donnelley and The Timken Company, met production goals while saving money, thanks to the innovative use of energy and electricity solutions.

According to Walter Hardin, Winthrop's associate vice president for facilities management, energy conservation is one of the university's top priorities. "Winthrop incorporates energy savings in all of our planning decisions because it is the right thing to do. It is nice to receive these affirmations of a job well done from time to time. Energy savings, adaptive reuse, recycling and thinking smarter are increasingly more important in our ever changing and growing world."

Created in 1993, the **Duke Energy Power Partner Awards** recognize customers who share Duke Energy's commitment to excellence and implementation of strategic energy solutions. Some 80 business and industrial customers, organizations and trade allies have been recognized since 1993.

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