

APR Energy receives award for relief work in Puerto Rico

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[APR Energy](#) was presented with the Emergency Assistance Award Wednesday for its power delivery services in Puerto Rico in the wake of Hurricane Maria.

The Edison Electric Institute gives out the annual award to recognize excellence in power restoration efforts. APR was contracted by the U.S. Army

Corps of Engineers Oct. 12 to deliver two, 25 megawatt gas turbines to generate enough power to serve approximately 300,000 people. The company delivered the turbines the very next day and completed installation in a record 15 days, one of the fastest installations for a large-scale power project, according to APR.



“Our company has provided urgent power after disasters such as the earthquake and tsunami that devastated Japan in 2012, and we understand how critical it is to restore electricity as quickly as possible,” APR Energy co-founder and chairman, [John Campion](#), said in a released statement. “APR Energy is committed to helping all countries receive the power and strong quality of life they deserve, and we are humbled to be recognized by such a prestigious organization for the work we truly consider to be our duty.”

In the last year, APR has also deployed mobile turbines to Mexico following earthquakes and to South Australia, which is [prone to blackouts](#). Campion visited Puerto Rico in the weeks after Hurricane Maria hit the island and left 3.4 million people without power. He [told the Business Journal](#) at the time that the island was enduring "an unprecedented disaster as far as we can relate to in North America."

"Think about the people who need dialysis, who need chemo, who need surgery,"
Campion previously told the Business Journal.

APR's turbines will remain in place until the local power grid around San Juan is
functioning.