RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 13, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- As a result of his leadership and influence in the community, Edward H. Baine, senior vice president-Distribution for Dominion Virginia Power, received a Black Engineer of the Year Award (BEYA) for STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) and Community Service – the Anthony R. James Legacy Award. He is among scientists and engineers from around the country who was recognized in 31 award categories at the 2017 BEYA STEM Conference held this past weekend in Washington, D.C.

"Ed brings a level of commitment and talent to his work – both inside the company and within the community – that is not only impressive but is vital to our company's future and our community's well-being," said Thomas F. Farrell II, Dominion chairman, president and CEO. "Holding a position that is responsible for delivering electricity to 2.5 million customers, Ed consistently demonstrates that his priorities lie with the communities and the people we serve. This recognition is well deserved."

In addition to Baine's service as a board member of the Dominion Credit Union, Chamber RVA, and the Capital Region Collaborative Organizing Council, he serves on the board of directors of the Chesterfield Education Foundation, Venture Richmond and the Southeastern Electric Exchange. He is also a board member for MEGA Mentors and the executive sponsor for the Virginia Chapter of AABE. He is involved with advisory committees at Virginia State University and University of Richmond. Of particular note is the Bernard L. Savage Community Service Award, which Baine received in 2015 from Chamber RVA.

"I am humbled and honored to receive this award," Baine said. "I am truly blessed to have the support of my family and friends, and the encouragement of Dominion to stay involved in the community so I can pay it forward by helping others."

Each year, the BEYA STEM Conference brings professionals and students from a wide variety of STEM-related fields (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) together for three days to share their experiences and information. The goal is to create connections between students, educators and STEM professionals while facilitating partnerships with individuals and their local STEM resources.

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