

Maj Gen John Allen presents the 2020 FEMP award to members of the AFCEC Energy Directorate's program development division Dec. 8, 2021. Front, Maj. Gen. John Allen and Mike Ringenberg. Back from left, Tom Laney, Mark Dent, Dean Andrews, Michael Allison and Jacob LaCourse.

AFCEC CN members honored

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TYNDALL AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. — Members of the Air Force Civil Engineer Center's Energy Directorate were recently presented with the U.S. Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program, or FEMP, Award.

During a visit to Tyndall AFB, Maj. Gen. John Allen, AFCEC Commander, and David Dentino, AFCEC Executive Director, presented the 2020 U.S. Department of Energy's FEMP award to the Energy Directorate's program development team for its contributions in energy efficiency, resilience and technology achievement. Although the team received the award in 2020, this was one of the first opportunities for the team to safely gather for the official presentation due to COVID-19 protocols.

The team earned the FEMP award for their work developing and awarding 25 complex Energy Savings Performance Contracts and Utility Energy Savings Contracts. With an implementation value of almost \$1 billion, the contracts will generate a guaranteed savings of \$1.7 billion over the next 22 years. A centralized program office was also created to support all third-party financed contract development at installations worldwide.

"I derive a lot of pride from being a part of high performing organizations and for being an Airmen engineer," Allen said. "Earning this award is a big accomplishment and people need to see and acknowledge the team's hard work and dedication to Air Force energy resilience."

Additionally, Dentino presented the Meritorious Civilian Service award to Michael Allison, who served on the program development team and recently retired in January 2021. He was recognized for more than 30 years of energy management experience and exemplary service to the Air Force.

Allison was responsible for the development and implementation of the ESPC and UESC measurement and verification quality control guidelines and assisted with daily operations for the programs.

"It's great to see the conditions that Mr. Allison has set with helping transition the ESPC and UESC programs from what was very decentralized, to a more centralized program to comprehensively develop requirements and understanding gaps and gap analysis," Dentino said. "It's going to pay dividends for decades. I'm proud and thankful for the work that he's done."