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*Camden County Receives Award  
For Mid-Size Community Deal Of The Year  
By The Georgia Economic Developers Association*

**ATLANTA** (November 16, 2020) – The Georgia Economic Developers Association (GEDA) recognized the Camden County Joint Development Authority for “outstanding achievement in the location/expansion of business in Georgia” at its Annual Awards luncheon on Monday. Camden County was recognized because of the Plug Power project, which announced on June 10<sup>th</sup> of this year. Chris Womack, Chairman, President & CEO of Georgia Power, presented the award to James Coughlin, Executive Director of the Camden Joint Development Authority and CB Yadav, Authority Board Member. Over 200 economic developers from around the state attended the ceremony in-person at the Georgia Tech Hotel at Tech Square in Midtown Atlanta.

This new zero-emission fuel production plant represents the single-largest project announcement ever for this county. Plug Power, a leading global provider of hydrogen solutions will create 40 jobs and invest \$80 million in opening a green hydrogen fuel production plant in Kingsland, Georgia.

The Camden County Joint Development Authority was able to structure a package that is beneficial for the company and the community. This project will develop land that has been owned by the Development Authority since the late 1990’s. The community worked closely with Okefenokee EMC to provide an adjacent site for a new substation to serve the project.

### **About the Award**

This is now the fifteenth year that GEDA has recognized the major projects from the previous year. In what has become a major portion of the Annual Awards Ceremony – GEDA recognizes recipients in three categories:

- SMALL – a county with population under 25,000,
- MID-SIZE – a county with population 25,000 – 100,000,
- LARGE – a county with population over 100,000,

The Deal of the Year Awards recognize outstanding achievement in the location or expansion of businesses in the state of Georgia that meet community economic development goals and involve significant community program support, such as financial or permitting assistance, workforce development, state financial support, etc.

### **About GEDA**

The Georgia Economic Developers Association is a nonprofit association of professionals, volunteers and supporters. The association provides networking and professional development opportunities for its members and supports public policies that promote quality job creation and sustainable economic development throughout the state. For more information, visit [GEDA.org](http://GEDA.org).

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