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## **D'Zurko Receives National award for Research Programs**

On April 27, Daphne D'Zurko, Vice President of Research, Development and Demonstration at the Northeast Gas Association, was presented with the Gas Industry Research Award for 2005, at the annual Operations Conference of the American Gas Association (AGA) held in Chicago. The award is sponsored by the Gas Appliance Manufacturers Association (GAMA) and is given to an individual whose research programs help reduce operating costs and improve the safety of natural gas distribution and transmission systems, and support environmental compliance with national and state standards.

Daphne was recognized for her work in developing a New York state funding mechanism for gas industry research to help replace declining Federal Energy Regulatory Commission funding dollars, developing a research program to fit the new environment and providing credibility to the NYSEARCH program, which makes co-funding by federal, state and other private sources a reality.

Daphne earned a B.A. degree in physical science from Colgate University; a Bachelor's of Engineering degree from Dartmouth College and an MBA from the Stern School of Business at New York University.

Congratulations to Daphne and the NYSEARCH team for this significant industry recognition.



**Daphne D'Zurko receiving award from Gerald Lauzze, Chair of the GAMA Equipment and General Services Division, and Chairman and CEO of American Meter.**