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GDF SUEZ Energy Resources NA Expands Presence in Ohio Retail Electricity Market

OHIO – April 24, 2013– GDF SUEZ Energy Resources NA, one of the country's largest competitive retail electricity providers to commercial, industrial and institutional customers, announced today it has entered two new Ohio competitive retail electricity markets. The move broadens the pricing options and product offerings available for large commercial and industrial customers in the AEP Ohio and Duke Energy service territories. GDF SUEZ Energy Resources began pricing transactions on April 22 for service that starts June 2013.

Sam Henry, President and CEO of GDF SUEZ Energy Resources, said the expansion in these markets drives competition and brings more value in terms of pricing and product options to consumers.

"We have a lot to offer large energy buyers in the AEP Ohio and Duke Energy territories," Henry explained. "For nearly two years, we've delivered retail electricity services for commercial and industrial customers in other portions of Ohio, and our competitive pricing, reliable service, and strong financial background have all been well received. We look forward to bringing these same benefits to consumers in these two new markets."

GDF SUEZ Energy Resources has served the Toledo Edison, Cleveland Electric Illuminating, Ohio Edison, and Dayton Power & Light territories since June 2011. To serve the central and southern Ohio markets, the retail electricity provider recently opened a sales office in Columbus and plans to hire additional sales people who will specifically focus on that region of the Buckeye State.

Parent company GDF SUEZ Energy North America also has in its portfolio a 609 MW natural gas-fired power plant in Luchey, OH.

David Braun, Regional Vice President of the Midwest for GDF SUEZ Energy Resources, said further expansion into the Ohio market will allow more consumers to benefit from the company's commitment to being an information leader to large commercial and industrial electricity users.

"We've developed a unique model that puts consumer education at the forefront of every transaction," Braun explained. "Our representatives act as an extension of our clients, educating them about products that align with key organizational drivers and operating patterns. That allows buyers to make more informed decisions and ultimately build an effective energy management strategy that truly fits their budget – and their business."

A range of educational resources and tools can be found on GDF SUEZ Energy Resources' dedicated website for Ohio consumers at www.gdfsuezoh.com

About GDF SUEZ Energy Resources NA

GDF SUEZ Energy Resources NA is one of the largest non-residential retail electricity suppliers in the U.S. and currently serves commercial, industrial and institutional customers in 12 markets: Delaware, Texas, Massachusetts, Maine, Maryland, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Connecticut, Ohio, and Washington, D.C. The company serves approximately 80,000 accounts for customers having a peak demand ranging from 50 KW to more than 200 MW, with an estimated peak load totaling nearly 10,000 MW. The company offers electricity service to small business customers under the brand Think Energy™.

For more about GDF SUEZ Energy Resources, visit www.gdfsuezenergyresources.com or call 1-866-999-8374. Follow GDF SUEZ Energy Resources on [LinkedIn](#), Twitter: [@GDFSUEZEnergy](#) and [Facebook](#). GDF SUEZ Energy Resources is a subsidiary of GDF SUEZ Energy North America, which manages a range of energy businesses in the U.S., Mexico, and Canada, including electricity generation and cogeneration, natural gas and liquefied natural gas (LNG) distribution and sales, asset-based trading and origination,

and retail energy sales and related services to commercial and industrial customers. GDF SUEZ Energy North America is a part of the international energy group GDF SUEZ. For more information, please visit www.gdfsuez.com.

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