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GDF SUEZ Energy Resources and the Houston Museum of Natural Science Reaffirm Their Commitment to Sustainable Energy Use

*In honor of Earth Day, the retail electricity provider is donating Renewable Energy Certificates
to “green” the museum’s consumption during the month of April.*

HOUSTON – March 31, 2015 – For the third consecutive year, GDF SUEZ Energy Resources will provide visitors to the Houston Museum of Natural Science with a “green” destination in honor of Earth Day by donating Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) to offset 100 percent of the nonprofit’s estimated electricity consumption during the month of April.

The gift further strengthens the museum’s dedication to environmental responsibility and underscores the retail electricity provider’s efforts to deliver sustainable energy management strategies.

“As a natural science museum, we are committed to educating our visitors on the important resources of our planet while at the same time setting an example of environmental responsibility for our community,” said Joel Bartsch, president and curator of gems and minerals at the Houston Museum of Natural Science. “Our support of green energy reflects this dedication, and we appreciate GDF SUEZ Energy Resources for their continued generosity in backing our efforts.”

The RECs, which are Green-e® Energy Certified, represent the environmental attributes or benefits associated with a specific quantity of energy generated from a renewable source, such as solar or wind. According to www.eia.gov, GDF SUEZ Energy Resources’ donations to the museum over the last three years are equivalent to the carbon sequestered by 19,066 tree seedlings grown for 10 years, the removal of about 744 metric tons of CO₂ from the atmosphere, the displacement of the estimated annual greenhouse gas emissions of 157 passenger vehicles, or the CO₂ emissions of 68 homes’ energy use for one year.

“It’s an honor to support the Houston Museum of Natural Science,” said Sam Henry, president and CEO of GDF SUEZ Energy Resources. “We share a common focus on promoting clean energy and are pleased to continue to help this landmark venue as they do their part to reduce their carbon footprint and build a sustainable planet.”

One of the most heavily attended museum venues in the United States, the Houston Museum of Natural Science houses the Burke Baker Planetarium, Wortham Giant Screen Theatre, Cockrell Butterfly Center, and a wide range of permanent and traveling exhibits. It also maintains two satellite facilities – the George Observatory and the Houston Museum of Natural Science at Sugar Land.

Green-e® is the nation’s leading independent certification and verification program for renewable energy and greenhouse gas emission reductions in the retail market.

About the Houston Museum of Natural Science

The Houston Museum of Natural Science – one of the nation’s most heavily attended museums – is a centerpiece of the Houston Museum District. With four floors of permanent exhibit halls as well as the Wortham Giant Screen Theatre, Cockrell Butterfly Center, Burke Baker Planetarium, and George Observatory, and as host to an ever-changing roster of world-class touring exhibitions, the museum has something to delight every age group. With such diverse and extraordinary offerings, a trip to the Houston Museum of Natural Science, located at 5555 Hermann Park Drive, is always an adventure.

About GDF SUEZ Energy Resources NA

GDF SUEZ Energy Resources NA is one of the largest retail electricity suppliers in the U.S. to 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 over 60,000 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®.

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