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GDF SUEZ Energy Resources Donates Renewable Energy Certificates to New England Aquarium for Seventh Consecutive Year

Gift matches 100 percent of Aquarium's estimated annual energy consumption

BOSTON – APRIL 15, 2015 – GDF SUEZ Energy Resources, a leader in U.S. retail energy, is continuing its support of the New England Aquarium's commitment to environmental responsibility by donating renewable energy certificates (RECs) to the nonprofit organization for the seventh consecutive year. The gift matches 100 percent of the Aquarium's estimated annual electricity usage and supports the development of clean energy.

Each Green-e® certified REC represents the environmental attributes or benefits associated with a specific quantity of energy generated from a renewable source, such as solar or wind. In addition to helping reduce greenhouse gas emissions, RECs encourage the development of domestic sources of renewable energy.

GDF SUEZ Energy Resources' donation to the New England Aquarium will displace the estimated annual greenhouse gas emissions of 1,293 passenger vehicles, the impact of 2,201 tons of waste diverted from landfills, or the carbon dioxide emissions from the total energy usage of 560 households.

J.D. Burrows, Vice President of Marketing for GDF SUEZ Energy Resources, said the retail electricity provider is honored to continue its long-standing relationship with the New England Aquarium.

"We're proud to provide visitors of this renowned venue with a green destination year round," he explained. "Supporting the sustainability goals of the New England Aquarium underscores our dedication to helping our customers optimize environmental and social responsibilities, while contributing to the development of clean energy resources."

"Environmental preservation is in the very fabric of our educational programs, events, and exhibits, so it's only natural that our energy strategy reflects that same commitment," said Nigella Hillgarth, president and CEO of the New England Aquarium. "With the ongoing support of GDF SUEZ Energy Resources, we are able to remain steadfast in our efforts to reduce our carbon footprint and drive greater awareness of the importance of environmental sustainability."

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 New England Aquarium

More than 1.3 million people visit the Aquarium annually, making it the second most visited educational attraction in New England. In addition to having more than 30,000 animals in over 70 exhibits on display, the Aquarium reaches out to 120,000 students per year; provides resources and training to over 3,000 teachers; and undertakes research and conservation work worldwide.

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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