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GDF SUEZ ENERGY RESOURCES SUPPORTS NEW ENGLAND AQUARIUM WITH DONATION OF RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATES Gift represents 100 percent of Aquarium's estimated energy use

BOSTON, July 30, 2013 – For the fifth consecutive year, GDF SUEZ Energy Resources NA, one of the largest retail electricity providers to commercial, industrial, and institutional customers in the country, announced that it will donate Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) to the New England Aquarium. The gift will match 100 percent of the Aquarium's estimated annual electricity usage.

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. The donation will displace the estimated annual greenhouse gas emissions of 1,083 passenger vehicles; 1,924 tons of waste diverted from landfills; or the carbon dioxide emissions from the total energy usage of 469 households.

"We're proud of our ongoing relationship with the New England Aquarium," said J.D. Burrows, Vice President of Marketing for GDF SUEZ Energy Resources. "We share in its commitment to promote eco-friendly practices and protect Earth's natural resources, and are pleased to be a part of its environmental conservation efforts."

Bud Ris, President and CEO of the New England Aquarium, said, "GDF SUEZ Energy Resources has played an integral role in our efforts to reduce our carbon footprint. Thanks to their continued generosity, we're moving closer to making our vision a reality and having a lasting global impact on the environment through our educational programs and conservation initiatives."

In addition to helping reduce greenhouse gas emissions, RECs help to encourage the development of domestic sources of cleaner, renewable energy. 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 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™.

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