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GDF SUEZ ENERGY RESOURCES TO HOST 5TH ANNUAL ERCOT ENERGY SEMINAR *Climate, Grid Update, and Remarks by International Math Expert Jeff Ma Highlight Agenda*

HOUSTON, October 8, 2012 – GDF SUEZ Energy Resources, one of the largest competitive market retail electricity providers to commercial, industrial, and institutional customers in the country, will host its fifth annual ERCOT Energy Seminar October 15 at the Sweetwater Country Club in Sugar Land, Texas.

The event, which this year includes an optional afternoon golf outing, will bring together a diverse range of speakers and feature international math expert Jeff Ma, whose experience in Las Vegas inspired the best-selling book *Bringing Down the House* and hit movie *21*.

Registration begins at 8:15 a.m. The program starts at 9:00 a.m. with remarks from Sam Henry, President and Chief Executive Officer of GDF SUEZ Energy Resources. Following that, the morning lineup of speakers includes:

- **Jeff Ma**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of TenXer, a San Francisco technology company that has built a personal productivity platform allowing employees to analyze their daily work habits. Ma, an MIT graduate, helps companies use mathematics and strategic planning to improve business performance and results in uncertain times.
- **John Nielsen-Gammon**, the Texas State Climatologist and a Texas A&M University professor, whose presentation is entitled, "What's the New Climate Normal?"
- **Joel Mickey**, Director of Grid Operations for ERCOT, who will provide an update on issues related to the ISO.
- **Andrew Elliott**, Director of ERCOT Supply for GDF SUEZ Energy Resources, who will discuss ERCOT market fundamentals and indicators.

A question-and-answer session will follow the presentations.

"GDF SUEZ Energy Resources is committed to being a knowledge leader in our industry, and this year's seminar reinforces that focus," said Henry. "We have broadened both the scope and the subject areas, not only examining matters of importance to our customers in Texas, but also adding some fascinating topics in math and science. I am confident that participants will come away with greater insight and understanding on a range of concerns vital to their operations."

Commercial, industrial, or institution electricity buyers who are interested in attending the event can find additional information or register at www.GDFSUEZCLUB.com.

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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 over 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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