

NRG Energy, Inc. and Lower Colorado River Authority Sign Memorandum of Understanding on Future Power Supplies

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PRINCETON, N.J.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 16, 2007--NRG Energy, Inc. (NYSE:NRG) and the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) have signed a memorandum of understanding to work together strategically on a series of supply alternatives to serve the needs of LCRA's wholesale electric customers and to help support Texas' growing economy. The agreement could provide LCRA and its customers with the opportunity to access up to 700 MW of new NRG electrical generation.

"Our Powering Texas with NRG program is designed to help meet Texas' growing demand for electrical power," said Thad Hill, Regional President for NRG Texas. "We are very pleased to have the opportunity to work with LCRA, which has such a long track record of service in Texas and which shares our commitment to meeting our energy challenges in an affordable and environmentally responsible manner."

"Central Texas is one of the fastest growing regions in the country, and population growth creates challenges for public utilities," said Joe Beal, LCRA General Manager. "LCRA owes it to our wholesale electric customers, the communities they serve and the people of Texas to explore as many options as possible in our effort to meet growing energy demands. Exploring our options with NRG is part of that process."

The transactions contemplated by this agreement could be finalized as soon as the fourth quarter of this year.

NRG Energy, Inc.

NRG Energy, Inc. owns and operates a diverse portfolio of power-generating facilities, primarily in Texas and the Northeast, South Central and Western regions of the United States. Its operations include baseload, intermediate, peaking, and cogeneration facilities and thermal energy production. NRG also has ownership interests in generating facilities in Australia, Germany and Brazil.

Lower Colorado River Authority

LCRA is a conservation and reclamation district created by the Texas Legislature in 1934. It has no taxing authority and operates solely on utility revenues and fees generated from supplying energy, water and community services. LCRA supplies low-cost electricity for Central Texas, manages water supplies and floods in the lower Colorado River basin, develops water and wastewater utilities, provides public parks, and supports community and economic development in 58 Texas counties.

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More information on NRG is available at www.nrgenergy.com

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