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**TEACH FOR AMERICA AND NRG ENERGY EXTEND PARTNERSHIP TO
PROVIDE IMPROVED EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES IN POINTE COUPEE
PARISH THROUGH 2012**

***—NRG Gives Additional \$150,000 Grant to Support Dedicated, Talented Teachers in Louisiana,
Bringing Total Contribution to \$300,000—***

BATON ROUGE, La., November 11, 2010—Teach For America-South Louisiana and NRG Energy, Inc. (NYSE: NRG) today announced a new two-year partnership to expand educational opportunities for the students of Pointe Coupee public schools. As with the original commitment made in 2008, NRG will provide \$150,000 to Teach For America over two years, bringing the total funding to \$300,000 over four years. The grant will offset the cost of recruiting, selecting, training, and supporting top recent college graduates from across the country who commit to teach for at least two years in Pointe Coupee Parish schools.

“NRG’s grant in 2008 made a tremendous impact on the Pointe Coupee school system by enabling Teach For America to recruit 22 new teachers in three of the highest needs schools in the parish, and we want to continue that momentum to grow productive students, employees, and future leaders locally,” said David Crane, President and CEO, NRG Energy. “We are on the verge of tipping the scale so that every child in the parish receives a first-class education and a solid foundation for future success in pursuit of their goals in life. We have been very impressed with Teach For America’s work bringing talented and dedicated teachers to south Louisiana and we look forward to the results of our continued association.”

Teach For America works to end educational inequity by enlisting the nation’s most promising future leaders in the effort. A growing body of rigorous research demonstrates that Teach For America teachers, known as corps members, have a significant impact on student achievement. Teach For America plans to advance its efforts to bring a critical mass of 45 teachers to the Pointe Coupee Parish public school system, which has grown from eight teachers in 2008 to 22 in the 2009-2010 school year. Teach For America has approximately 34 corps members in place during the 2010-2011 school year, and plans to place up to 45 during the 2011-2012 school year.

“Teach For America is thrilled to build on our partnership with NRG,” said Michael Tipton, executive director of Teach For America in South Louisiana. “Their generosity is making it possible for Pointe Coupee to move closer to the day that all children in the parish will have access to an excellent education.”

Teach For America has demonstrated that great teachers can lead their students to the highest levels of academic achievement, regardless of their economic background. A concentration of great teachers working together can create a great school. In Louisiana, the average school with four or

more Teach For America teachers and run by a Teach For America alumnus principal averages three times the progress on the state's accountability scale.

About Teach For America

Teach For America is the national corps of outstanding recent college graduates who commit to teach for two years in urban and rural public schools and become lifelong leaders in expanding educational opportunity. Today, more than 8,200 corps members are teaching in 39 regions across the country while 20,000 Teach For America alumni continue working from inside and outside the field of education for the fundamental changes necessary to ensure educational excellence and equity. For more information, visit www.teachforamerica.org.

About NRG

NRG Energy, Inc., a Fortune 500 and S&P 500 Index company, owns and operates one of the country's largest and most diverse power generation portfolios. Headquartered in Princeton, NJ, the Company's power plants provide more than 24,000 megawatts of generation capacity—enough to supply more than 20 million homes. NRG's retail businesses, Reliant Energy and Green Mountain Energy Company, combined serve more than 1.8 million residential, business, commercial and industrial customers. With investments in solar, wind and nuclear power, as well as electric vehicle infrastructure, NRG is working to help America's transition to a clean energy economy. More information is available at www.nrgenergy.com.

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