



Corrected News Release

NEWS RELEASE

The news release dated December 29, 2008 failed to note that the Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) for Elbow Creek had been sold to 3Degrees Group, Inc. of San Francisco, CA. This correction adds that information, a quote from the President of 3Degrees, and a statement clarifying the ownership of the RECs. This corrected release replaces the original release.

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NRG's Second Wind Farm, Elbow Creek Achieves Commercial Operation **Renewable Energy Certificates (REC) associated with electricity sold to 3Degrees**

PRINCETON, NJ, February 6, 2009—NRG Energy, Inc. (NYSE: NRG) on December 29, 2008 announced the completion of construction on its second wind farm, the 122-megawatt (MW) Elbow Creek Wind Project in Howard County near Big Spring, Texas. The wind farm was developed by NRG subsidiary Padoma Wind Power LLC and is being dispatched by NRG Texas.

The Elbow Creek Wind Project consists of 53 Siemens wind turbine generators, each able to generate up to 2.3 MW of power. Early land rights to the project were acquired from Wind Plus Holdings, Inc.

"Elbow Creek is our second wind project and another important step forward in our *Repowering* NRG program, which includes our zero-emission nuclear generation to help satisfy growing electricity demand," said David Crane, President and CEO of NRG Energy

NRG's first wind project, the 150-MW Sherbino I Wind Farm in Pecos County, Texas, came online in October of this year. Sherbino I is a 50-50 joint venture with BP Wind Energy North America Inc.

"Additional wind power provides a valuable resource to NRG's generation portfolio and helps Texas meet its energy needs," said Jan Paulin, President and CEO, Padoma Wind Power. "Elbow Creek, along with Sherbino, is now generating electricity for the ERCOT grid."

Prior to commencing construction, Elbow Creek executed a 10-year agreement to sell all the Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) associated with the electricity generated by the project to 3Degrees.

"As part of our efforts to grow the voluntary market for renewable energy, 3Degrees contracted for the full output of RECs from the Elbow Creek Wind farm for the first 10 years of operation and did so over a year before the project commenced commercial operations," said Dan Kalafatas, President of 3Degrees. "This project is a showcase for how voluntary commitments can help bring online major renewable energy projects that produce clean renewable energy above and beyond what is required by mandates."

The non-profit Center for Resource Solutions (CRS) provided guidance to NRG to help clarify the ownership of the RECs from the project. CRS runs the Green-e® Energy certification program, the nation's leading certification and verification program for voluntary renewable energy purchases. The RECs generated from the Elbow Creek Wind Farm are eligible for Green-e® Energy certification as of the date of this corrected release, subject to meeting all other components of Green-e® Energy certification.

About NRG

NRG Energy, Inc., a Fortune 500 company, owns and operates one of the country's largest and most diverse power generation portfolios. NRG's 48 plants provide approximately 24,000 megawatts of generation capacity – enough to power nearly 20 million homes. In November 2007, NRG won two of the industry's highest honors – Platts Industry Leadership and Energy Company of the Year awards. Headquartered in Princeton, NJ, NRG is a member of the U.S. Climate Action Partnership (USCAP), a group of business and environmental organizations calling for mandatory legislation to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. More information is available at www.nrgenergy.com. More information on Padoma Wind Power is available at www.padoma.com.

About 3Degrees

3Degrees Group, Inc. is a recognized market leader in renewable energy and climate mitigation products and services. The award-winning firm offers retail and wholesale marketing of Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) and Verified Emission Reductions (VERs, also known as carbon offsets); climate and energy strategy consulting; marketing and communications services; utility green power program partnership services and regulatory expertise. In 2008, Environmental Finance recognized 3Degrees as the Best REC Trading Company in North America and the Best Voluntary Carbon Trading Company globally. 3Degrees was also named by the U.S. Department of Energy as the 2008 Renewable Energy Marketer of the Year, serving the large commercial segment. Visit www.3degreesinc.com to learn more.

Safe Harbor Disclosure

This news release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions and include NRG's expectations regarding the Elbow Creek Wind Project and forward-looking statements typically can be identified by the use of words such as "will," "expect," "believe," and similar terms. Although NRG believes that its expectations are reasonable, it can give no assurance that these expectations will prove to have been correct, and actual results may vary materially. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated above include, among others, general economic conditions, hazards customary in the power industry, weather conditions, changes in government regulation of markets and of environmental emissions, unanticipated outages at our generation facilities, and the inability to implement value enhancing improvements to plant operations and companywide processes.

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