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**Reliant Buys Renewable Energy Credits from Texas Wind To Meet Electricity Needs
of its Residential and Small Business Customers on Earth Day**
\$25 Donation Offered to EarthShare of Texas for Each New Wind Plan Customer

HOUSTON – In recognition of Earth Day on April 22, Reliant Energy is buying Texas renewable energy credits (RECs) to meet the estimated electricity needs of all of its residential and small business customers across the state for that day.

“There are simple things that each of us can do to protect the environment and our natural resources,” said Jason Few, President, Reliant Energy. “Choosing wind power - clean, emission-free energy - and taking steps to use less energy are two ways we can all make a difference on Earth Day and every day.”

Renewable energy credits are created when electricity is produced using resources such as wind, solar, biomass or hydro power. By purchasing additional credits, Reliant ensures that an amount equal to the electricity consumed by its customers is generated from renewable sources, in this case wind. The RECs purchased for Reliant customers for Earth Day come from NRG Energy’s 150-megawatt Langford Wind Power Project located near Abilene, Texas. Reliant is part of NRG Energy.

As an added incentive for customers who want to do more for the environment, Reliant Energy will make a \$25 donation to [EarthShare of Texas](#) for each customer who signs up for a new 100 percent wind plan from Reliant Energy between April 18 and April 24. The incentive is available to new customers who choose a 100 percent wind plan as well as existing customers - including those on month-to-month plans - who switch to 100 percent wind.

EarthShare of Texas is a non-profit organization that supports more than 70 environmental and conservation groups including the Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation, The Nature Conservancy, Clean Water Fund of Texas, the Galveston Bay Foundation and the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center.

Reliant Energy offers the choice of 100 percent, Texas-generated wind plans and all of Reliant’s new term plans include 20 percent Texas wind. The company also provides customers with tools and information to help them manage their energy use, including detailed tips for saving energy,

and for those with smart meters a weekly summary email and time-of-use pricing.

Customers can sign-up for Reliant's 100 percent wind plan by calling 1-866-RELIANT or by visiting www.reliant.com.

About Reliant Energy:

Reliant Energy provides electricity and energy services to approximately 1.6 million retail customers—including homes, small and large businesses, manufacturing facilities, government entities and institutions across Texas. As part of NRG Energy (NYSE: NRG), Reliant Energy is backed by one of the nation's largest power producers. NRG owns and operates more than 24,000 megawatts of generation capacity, including more than 11,000 megawatts of capacity in Texas. For more information about Reliant Energy products and services, visit www.reliant.com.

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