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NRG and HomeFront Celebrate Summer Camps' "Good Times"

-Summer camps funded by \$150,000 grant from NRG Energy, Inc.-

PRINCETON, NJ; August 22, 2008—One year after nearly closing its summer camps' doors to at-risk children across Mercer County, New Jersey, the HomeFront organization is celebrating a fruitful summer of learning and fun for kids in need. HomeFront's summer camps, funded through a \$150,000 grant from NRG Energy, Inc. (NYSE: NRG), served more than 100 children in need this summer. The seven-week programs include literacy, art, music, drama, tennis and swimming lessons, as well as weekly outings to enhance the children's summer learning experience.

Last year, NRG—through its Global Giving initiative—stepped up to support HomeFront's camps when donations had waned. The Company's contribution gave HomeFront's camps a new infusion of resources to hire talented staff and continue operating. The camps include HomeFront's flagship program, "Camp Good Times," along with "The Cherry Tree Club," a pre-school camp, the Ennis Beley photography camp, and a music camp.

"It really warms our hearts to see how much the children enjoy HomeFront's camps, and knowing we can make a difference in their lives is especially meaningful," said David Crane, President and CEO, NRG Energy, during a visit to HomeFront this week. "HomeFront worked so hard this year to bring this important program to underprivileged children of Mercer County, and today we witnessed the results of their dedication. We congratulate them on a job well done."

"NRG stepped up to the plate when we were in need," said Connie Mercer, Executive Director of HomeFront. "Without this program, many of these children would have spent their summer days in an unconstructive manner. Because of NRG's generous support, these children instead experienced a summer filled with growth, learning and fun."

The HomeFront Summer Children's Camps is just one project currently being funded through NRG's Global Giving initiative. NRG has donated millions of dollars to non-profit organizations that address vital community needs through targeted and sustainable service programs consistent with the Company's four focus areas: community and economic development, education, environment and human welfare.

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About NRG Energy, Inc.

NRG Energy, Inc. (NYSE: NRG), 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; and a founding member of “3C—Combat Climate Change,” a global initiative taking a leadership role in designing the road map to a low carbon society. For more information on NRG Energy, please visit www.nrgenergy.com.

About HomeFront

HomeFront’s mission is to help homeless and low income families in Mercer County stop the cycle of poverty by finding them jobs, affordable homes and security. HomeFront’s methods are based on a holistic approach that serves every member of the family and provides support in all areas from the procurement of free food, furniture, cars and clothing when needed, to all manner of life skills training, mentoring and support. HomeFront’s programs are comprehensive; they include job readiness training, job skills certification, educational enrichment, summer camp, and culminate with placement into affordable housing with ongoing supportive services. Visit HomeFront on the Web at www.homefrontnj.org.

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