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NRG Energy, Inc. Opens Centralized Accounts Payable Center in New Roads, Louisiana —20 employees in new NRG South Central office—

NEW ROADS, LA, April 7, 2008—NRG Energy, Inc. (NYSE: NRG) has opened a new centralized Accounts Payable processing center with 20 employees in New Roads, LA. Seventeen of these positions are new and have been filled with experienced individuals from southern Louisiana.

The office is responsible for processing all NRG invoices from receipt to payment and also supports NRG's financial processes across the nation. The new operation is expected to process more than 150,000 invoices annually.

“By consolidating our accounts payable in one location, NRG can help streamline and standardize our processes, reduce processing time and errors, and improve controls,” said Jim Ingoldsby, NRG's Chief Accounting Officer. “Our office in Louisiana was already exceptionally efficient in invoice processing. Centralizing this function from approximately 15 locations across the US to this one location in Louisiana will help move NRG closer to achieving industry best practice standards.”

The additional employees represent a greater than five percent increase in NRG's Louisiana-based workforce which now exceeds 330 employees.

“Louisiana has a wealth of qualified people whose talents can make a strong contribution to any company. The talented people we have brought onto Team NRG will build on our past successes,” said Jeff Baudier, President, NRG South Central Region. “We appreciate the support we have received over the years from our neighbors here in Pointe Coupee Parish and communities across the state. We are proud to contribute to strengthening Louisiana's economy by bringing these new jobs to the state.”

Along with NRG South Central offices, NRG's Big Cajun I and II plants are located in New Roads. The Company also owns and operates natural gas plants in Jennings and Sterlington, LA.

“This move highlights NRG's commitment to New Roads, Pointe Coupee Parish, and the State of Louisiana,” said Don Cazayoux, Jr., Louisiana State Representative District 18. “NRG has been a good neighbor for many years and we could not be happier to see this additional investment in Louisiana and our citizens.”

About NRG Energy

A Fortune 500 company, NRG Energy, Inc. owns and operates a diverse portfolio of power-generating facilities, primarily in Texas and the Northeast, South Central and West regions of the United States and also in Australia, Germany and Brazil. NRG is a member of USCAP, a diverse group of business and environmental organizations calling for mandatory legislation to achieve significant reductions of greenhouse gas emissions. NRG is also a founding member of “3C—Combat Climate Change,” a global initiative with 42 business leaders calling on the global business community to take a leadership role in designing the road map to a low carbon society.

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