

**Only the Second “Flex Plant” in USA,
El Segundo Energy Center Repowers in California
NRG and Siemens Celebrate the Nation’s 2nd Flex-Plant™ with
Grand Re-Opening of the El Segundo Energy Center
Thursday, September 12, El Segundo, California**

September 10, 2013 10:00 AM Eastern Daylight Time

--(BUSINESS WIRE)--

- *New “flex plant” units will provide 550 megawatts (MW) of flexible, natural gas-fueled generating capacity to the California grid — enough to power nearly 450,000 homes.*
- *Units provide critical backup support for renewable energy sources, such as wind and solar.*
- *Will help California meet mandatory greenhouse gas standards by using 30% less natural gas.*

WHAT: NRG Energy, Inc. and Siemens Energy will celebrate the official grand opening and re-powering of the El Segundo Energy Center, only the 2nd “flex-plant” in the nation on Thursday, September 12, 2013 in El Segundo, California.

WHO: State and local public officials, community leaders, Siemens Energy executives and employees

WHEN: Thursday, September 12, at 10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

- 10:30 a.m. Registration and Optional Tours
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch
- 12:45 p.m. Ceremony
- 2:00 p.m. Event Close and Departures

WHERE: Verandas Beach House 401 Rosecrans Avenue Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

- Shuttle provided to and from the plant

PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES:

NRG and Siemens executives will on-hand to provide tours of the flex plants, including the steam turbines, gas turbines and flex plant power train. They will also participate in a ribbon cutting ceremony following the tour.

BACKGROUND:

California, long the nation's leader in reducing carbon emissions and harnessing alternative, clean energies, just took one more step towards a greener future. Already home to the nation's first "Flex-Plant" in Lodi, the state, along with NRG Energy Inc. and Siemens Energy Inc., will now commemorate the repowering and modernization of the El Segundo Energy Center, the second Flex-Plant to open in California.

Flex-Plants are fast-start power generation plants start quickly enough to back up wind and solar when wind and solar die down. They are uniquely capable of ramping up power to the grid in 10 minutes or less and, they do it with lower emissions than any other plants in existence today. The Flex-Plant 10 at El Segundo offers significant environmental benefits, including reduced emissions and air cooling instead of ocean-water cooling and will help California meet mandatory greenhouse gas standards by using 30% less natural gas than the units they replaced.

The repowering of the El Segundo Energy Center is good news for the nearly 450,000 residents of Southern California who will receive a reliable energy supply to their homes without a blip or drop in the electricity when the wind dies down or on a rainy day.

PARKING: Media parking area will be designated upon arrival

MEDIA: *Please note this is not a public invitation.* Media representatives wishing to attend are asked to confirm their attendance by contacting Claire Hassett at (202) 368-3854 or claire.hassett@siemens.com.

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