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**Public/Private Partnership Saves Energy and Tax Dollars**

NEW YORK - The U.S. General Services Administration's Northeast and Caribbean Region recently received an initial rebate check for more than \$79,000 from its energy curtailment services partner NuEnergien, LLC of White Plains, NY. This rebate reflects savings GSA earned by participating in the New York Independent System Operator's Demand Response Program, a local energy load shedding program. GSA has enrolled a number of its metro-New York City and northern NJ federal properties in this program that enables it to reduce the energy use at the enrolled buildings during peak high demand periods to help reduce the strain on the electric power grid.

"This is a win-win on so many levels. Not only is GSA getting a return on energy costs, but we are also increasing our sustainability by reducing our carbon footprint and, at the same time helping the local area where our facilities are located to avoid blackouts," said **Denise L. Pease, GSA Northeast and Caribbean Regional Administrator**. "President Barack Obama has made improving our nation's sustainability a key goal of his administration and GSA is committed to supporting this goal through a variety of initiatives involving our building operations, supply services, and fleet management for the government."

**Kevin Hamilton, CEO of NuEnergien** added, "by being a part of the Demand Response program within the NYISO and PJM systems, Region 2 of the General Services Administration has taken the lead in embracing an energy conservation strategy as well as providing stability for the electrical grid in times of need. It has been a pleasure to work alongside the professionals at the GSA and help them meet their long-term goals."

Beginning with the summer of 2011, GSA's Northeast and Caribbean Region joined in a partnering effort with New York and New Jersey, along with NuEnergien, to start implementing an energy conservation and electric power grid reliability program known as energy load curtailment, or demand response services. To date, 15 federal buildings have been enrolled or will be enrolled shortly for a curtailment commitment level of 7,100KW. This energy curtailment commitment level is equivalent to providing enough electricity to power approximately 10,000 homes.

As the program continues and more buildings are enrolled the region anticipates receiving additional rebate checks. Monies returned through the program to the government will create a revenue stream that GSA will be able to use to fund future energy and water saving projects that will further benefit the taxpayer and the environment.

By participating in this electric power grid reliability program, GSA is doing its part to help the local area avoid blackouts and reduce its carbon footprint.

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- Effective management of government assets including more than 9,600 government-owned or leased buildings and 215,000 vehicles in the federal fleet, and preservation of historic federal properties;
- Leveraging the government's buying power through responsible acquisition of products and services making up approximately 14 percent of the government's total procurement dollars;
- Providing innovative technology solutions to enhance government efficiency and increase citizen engagement; and,
- Promoting responsible use of federal resources through development of governmentwide policies ranging from federal travel to property and management practices.

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