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**Green Mountain Energy Company seeking Texas non-profits
to apply for solar array donations**
Company's Big Texas Sun Club® will soon choose 2010 recipients

AUSTIN, Texas – Green Mountain Energy Company, Texas' only electricity provider dedicated to clean energy, is looking for non-profit organizations in Texas interested in hosting and owning a solar energy system in 2010. Green Mountain is donating solar array systems to qualifying Texas non-profits through its Big Texas Sun Club. The company is inviting organizations who want to be considered for future *Big Texas Sun Club* installations to apply online at www.bigtexassunclub.com by **Friday, August 21, 2009**.

The *Big Texas Sun Club* is a voluntary program that Green Mountain customers can join for a \$5 monthly fee to raise funds for the construction of new solar projects in Texas and education about solar energy. Since 2002, the *Big Texas Sun Club* has installed 16 solar arrays in Texas.

“Green Mountain Energy Company’s mission is to change the way power is made,” said Paul Markovich, senior vice president of Residential Services for Green Mountain Energy Company. “Each solar array we install through the *Big Texas Sun Club* helps us achieve that mission and give back to the local community.”

Solar facilities made possible by *Big Texas Sun Club* members include: **Ballroom Marfa; Satori Elementary School** in Galveston; **Workshop Houston**; the **Waco Chamber of Commerce**, the **Houston Zoo**; **The Museum of Nature & Science in Dallas**; the **Ronald McDonald House of Austin**; and **Habitat for Humanity** homes in Dallas and Houston.

The 16 existing *Big Texas Sun Club* solar arrays are responsible for creating nearly 157 kW of solar power, which in one year prevents the emission of over 408,000 pounds of carbon dioxide (CO₂). This is the equivalent of not driving 453,000 miles or as much as 24,000 trees would absorb in one year, or recycling 163,000 newspapers.

About Green Mountain Energy Company

Green Mountain, the nation’s leading provider of cleaner energy and carbon offset solutions, was founded in 1997 “to change the way power is made.” The company is the longest serving green power marketer in the U.S. and was ranked the highest in residential customer satisfaction with retail electric service in Texas by J.D. Power and Associates.¹

Green Mountain offers consumers and businesses the choice of cleaner electricity products from renewable sources such as wind and water and carbon offset products through its BeGreen division (BeGreenNow.com). Green Mountain customers have collectively helped avoid over 4.9 million tons of CO₂ emissions. For more information, visit GreenMountain.com.

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¹*Green Mountain Energy Company received the highest numerical score among residential electric service providers in Texas in the proprietary J.D. Power and Associates 2008 Texas Residential Retail Electric Service Satisfaction StudySM. Study based on responses from 2,572 consumers measuring 8 providers and measures opinions of consumers with their electric service provider. Proprietary study results are based on experiences and perceptions of consumers surveyed in June 2008. Your experiences may vary. Visit jdpower.com.*