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LIME ENERGY TO SHOWCASE ENERGY EFFICIENCY IN THE VIRTUAL ENERGY FORUM ON-LINE TRADE SHOW

- WHAT:** Lime Energy (NASDAQ: LIME), a leading provider of energy efficiency solutions, will host an on-line booth at the Virtual Energy Forum trade show. This is a no-cost, online-only event providing insight on energy management practices to help companies cut costs and environmental impacts. The Virtual Energy Forum includes addresses by notable speakers such as Ed Markey (D-MA); Joseph Kelliher, Chairman of the US Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; James Rodgers, CEO of Duke Energy; and Keith McCoy, VP of Energy Resources and Policy for the National Association of Manufacturers.
- WHEN:** Wednesday and Thursday, December 10 and 11, 2008, from 9 AM to 6 PM Eastern Time.
- WHY:** Attendees have the opportunity to learn the latest information about energy technology and policy from the featured speakers, plus identify businesses they may want to work with to achieve energy and cost-saving goals. Lime Energy will have employees available for "live chat", so the on-line forum allows one-on-one communication and effective information exchange without using fossil fuels for transportation and lodging.
- WHERE:** To participate in the free on-line event, simply log on to <http://www.virtualenergyforum.com/>. The event is held in a live, interactive environment.
- LIME QUOTE:** "The energy efficiency business is booming right now, creating green collar jobs despite the economic downturn," according to Dan Parke, President and COO of Lime Energy. "Our industry is helping Corporate America to weather the economic storm by reducing operating cost and overhead, continuing environmental leadership, and providing more comfortable and productive workplaces. We are happy to be here in this virtual event because we can reach customers without the carbon footprint associated with physical events."

For more information on Lime Energy and the Virtual Energy Forum, please visit: <http://www.virtualenergyforum.com/>, or www.lime-energy.com.

About Lime Energy Co.

Lime Energy is a leading provider of energy efficiency solutions that enable our clients to reduce their energy-related expenditures and the impact of their energy use on the environment. Our clients include commercial and industrial businesses, property owners and managers and energy service companies

serving government and educational institutions. Our core Energy Efficiency Services business provides energy engineering and consulting services as well as the development and implementation of energy efficiency lighting upgrade services, mechanical and electrical conservation services, water conservation services and renewable energy solutions. Through our Energy Technology business, we also offer a proprietary line of intelligent controllers that provide continuous management of HVAC and lighting equipment using wireless communication technology in order to reduce energy usage and improve system reliability. The company's stock is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol LIME. Additional information is available at the company's website at www.lime-energy.com or by calling 847-437-1666.