

Lime Energy Fourth Quarter and Year End Results and Conference Call Scheduled for March 23rd

ELK GROVE VILLAGE, IL, March 9, 2010 – Lime Energy Co. (Nasdaq: LIME), today announced that it will publish its fourth quarter and year end operating results after the market close on Tuesday, March 23rd. The same day, Lime Energy will hold a conference call at 4:30 ET to discuss the results.

Investors can access the call by calling toll free 800-599-9829 and use passcode 75363930. International callers can dial 617-847-8703 and use the same passcode.

The call will be available for replay until June 23, 2010 by dialing toll free 888-286-8010 or 617-801-6888. The replay will require use of passcode 77833883.

The call can also be accessed through Lime Energy's Investor Relations section of its website at <http://www.lime-energy.com>. This call is being webcast by Thomson/CCBN and is being distributed through the Thomson StreetEvents Network to both institutional and individual investors. Individual investors can listen to the call at <http://www.fulldisclosure.com>, Thomson/CCBN's individual investor portal, powered by StreetEvents. Institutional investors can access the call via Thomson's password-protected event management site, StreetEvents (<http://www.streetevents.com>).

Lime Energy is a leading provider of integrated energy engineering, consulting and implementation solutions. We specialize in improving the energy efficiency of our clients' facilities, reducing their operating costs, energy use, and carbon emissions. We focus on two specific markets: the commercial and industrial market including utilities, and the public sector market. Our work includes the engineering, design and implementation of energy efficient lighting, mechanical and electrical upgrades, water conservation, weatherization and development and implementation of renewable energy. The company's stock is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol LIME. Additional information is available at the company's website www.lime-energy.com or by calling 847-437-1666.

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This news release includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 including statements that reflect Lime Energy's current expectations about its future results, performance, prospects and opportunities. Lime Energy has tried to identify these forward-looking statements by using words and phrases such as "may," "expects," "anticipates," "believes," "intends," "estimates," "plan," "should," "typical," "preliminary," "hope," or similar expressions. These forward-looking statements are based on information currently available to Lime Energy and are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause Lime Energy's actual results, performance, prospects or opportunities in 2010 and beyond to differ materially from those expressed in, or

implied by, these forward-looking statements. These risks are referenced in Lime Energy's current Annual Report on form 10-K or as may be described from time to time in Lime Energy's subsequent SEC filings; and such factors as incorporated by reference.

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