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DECENTRALIZED ENERGY DELIVERS DISRUPTIVE IMPACT TO ENERGY MARKETS – IMPLICATIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES TO BE EXAMINED

The utility industry and distributed generation industry will share the agenda at DistribuGen in New York. September 23, 2014 – Washington DC – The World Alliance for Decentralized Energy (WADE) will bring together energy experts and industry leaders to examine the future of decentralized energy in the new utility marketplace. The impacts of decentralized energy on the market has vexed many energy experts and has led to a wide variety of changes that have been both scorned and applauded by energy consumers of all sizes. The market changes and impacts will be discussed at the WADE Annual Meeting & DistribuGen Conference. As part of the conference, the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) will hold an event that showcases combined heat and power (CHP) equipment and service providers. CHP is a form of distributed generation gaining favor in the aftermath of the grid failures resulting from Hurricane Sandy. The conference and CHP expo event will be held at the Doubletree Hotel in Tarrytown, New York, October 14 -17. Tours of CHP systems currently in use that provide reliable and secure power are also part of the event.

Thomas Kuhn, President of the Edison Electric Institute, in his keynote address titled “The Challenges and Opportunities of the Evolving Distribution System,” will address how investor-owned utilities view decentralized energy systems and the challenges and opportunities that all energy generators face in the dynamic utility marketplace. What is being done to increase deployment of microgrid and distributed generation systems will be discussed by former CIA Director turned decentralized energy advocate Robert James Woolsey Jr, in his presentation titled “Energy-Security-Resiliency - Rationale for a New Utility Paradigm.”

Project financing and new regulations affecting distributed generation will also be discussed at the conference.

To view the speakers and agenda go to www.distribugen.org.

About WADE
The World Alliance for Decentralized Energy (WADE) is the leading global organization focused on economic and environmentally sensible decentralized energy systems for power, heating, cooling and processing. WADE, its affiliated chapter organizations, and the Cogeneration Industries Council work to advance deployment of a broad range of onsite energy technologies and systems using natural gas, biogas and other clean fuels in cogeneration (combined heat and power or “CHP”), trigeneration, micro CHP, district energy, district heating and cooling and microgrid systems, as well as systems that are fueled by renewable energy sources and waste heat to power. Implementation of efficient distributed generation power systems reduces the net water usage and emissions associated with typical central power generation while providing energy security and economic benefits to the user. For more information about WADE go to www.localpower.org

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