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**SUEZ Energy North America Accelerates Efforts to Address Florida's Demand for New Sources of Natural Gas**

*Offshore LNG re-gasification and delivery system will provide Florida customers with a substantial new supply of clean, reliable and competitively priced energy.*

HOUSTON, April 4, 2006 – SUEZ Energy North America (“SENA”) announced today that its subsidiary, Calypso LNG, LLC, (“Calypso”) is pursuing the development of a submerged buoy system off the southeastern coast of Florida, known as a “Deepwater Port,” that would serve as an offshore delivery point for liquefied natural gas (“LNG”) delivered by specially-built LNG tankers. On March 1, 2006, the Company filed a Deepwater Port License Application with the U.S. Coast Guard, which has jurisdiction for the permitting, operation and security for such facilities located in federal waters. The Calypso Deepwater Port is proposed to be located approximately 10 miles offshore from Port Everglades and will comprise a marine offloading buoy and anchoring system that will reside approximately 150 feet below the ocean surface when not in use. It will connect to an undersea pipeline operated by another SENA subsidiary, Calypso U.S. Pipeline, LLC, which will transport natural gas from the Deepwater Port to customers in Florida.

A similar project was proposed by an affiliate company of Calypso, Neptune LNG, LLC, which filed a License Application with the Coast Guard for a Deepwater Port on February 15, 2005. That project will be located off the coast of Massachusetts to serve Boston and the greater New England market. Development of this off-shore installation is within schedule and is targeted to be up and running in 2009.

The Calypso project is proposing to replicate many of the Neptune project's specifications in order to accelerate its licensing process and create operational synergies. *“The overwhelming feedback we have received from Florida customers is that they need additional, LNG-based gas supplies and they need them as soon as possible. It is our intention to meet our customers' needs and be the first supplier of natural gas directly into the southeastern Florida market derived from LNG,”* said Zin Smati, President and CEO of SENA. *“We believe our Calypso project is consistent with Governor Bush's call for fuel diversification as outlined in his comprehensive 2006 Florida Energy Act,”* Smati added. The current Calypso schedule anticipates first deliveries of natural gas to Florida customers as quickly as possible.

SUEZ is currently the only major energy company that owns and operates LNG facilities on each side of the Atlantic Ocean – at Everett, Massachusetts, serving the New England market, and at Zeebrugge, Belgium, serving the central European market. An affiliate of SUEZ Energy International is also engaged in a longer-term LNG terminal development project located in Freeport Harbor on Grand Bahama Island. Dirk Beeuwsaert, CEO of SUEZ Energy International said, *“The Florida market is very important to us. As our LNG supply and shipping portfolios continue to grow, the Calypso project will increase our already significant position in the Atlantic Basin and give us the critical mass to serve all of our markets with a level of reliability that will be unmatched in the industry.”*

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#### About the Company

Based in Houston, SUEZ Energy North America, Inc. is the business unit of SUEZ Energy International, responsible for managing SUEZ’s positions within the energy value chain in the U.S., Mexico and Canada, including electricity generation and cogeneration, natural gas and liquefied natural gas (“LNG”), asset-based trading and origination, and retail energy sales and related services to commercial and industrial customers.

SUEZ Energy International is a business line of SUEZ (NYSE:SZE), which is an international industrial and services Group that employs 157,650 people worldwide and achieved revenues of 41.5 billion euros in 2005.

SUEZ Energy North America owns and/or operates a total of 44 power, cogeneration, steam and chilled-water facilities, including those in construction, representing a capacity of more than 5,538 MW of electricity generation, 6.4 million pounds per hour of steam, and 61,749 tons per hour of chilled water. The Company’s wholly-owned subsidiary, Distrigas of Massachusetts LLC, owns and operates an LNG receiving terminal in Everett, Mass., which began operations in 1971 and currently serves most of the gas utilities in New England and key power producers, meeting approximately 20 percent of New England’s annual gas demand.

For more information about SUEZ Energy North America, SUEZ Energy International or SUEZ, please visit each company’s respective website: [www.suezenergyna.com](http://www.suezenergyna.com); [www.suezenergyint.com](http://www.suezenergyint.com), or [www.suez.com](http://www.suez.com).

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