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DOER and Town of Natick Officials to Join Ameresco to Commemorate the Installation of Solar Panels at Public Schools

Ameresco, Inc. (NYSE:AMRC):

WHAT: The Town of Natick, officials from local schools and the general government will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony with Ameresco executives and representatives from the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources (DOER) to recognize a solar initiative at six of the Town's buildings.

As part of the event, Ameresco will unveil the solar kiosk at the Wilson Middle School. Similar installations are also underway at the Kennedy Middle School, Bennett-Hemenway Elementary School, new Natick High School, Memorial Elementary School and the new Natick Community Senior Center.

The rooftop covered by solar panels is approximately 417,000 square feet, and once all three phases are complete, the project is expected to generate 1.07 MW of power. Phases 1 and 2 alone are expected to offset 46% of the schools' energy use (as compared to usage between July 2010 and June 2011), which will reduce the Town of Natick's energy costs while also providing educational opportunities for its students and reduce GHG emissions by 474 tons annually.

WHO: Speakers and Invited Guests Include:

- Massachusetts State Senator Karen E. Spilka
- Massachusetts State Representative David Linsky
- Mark Sylvia, Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources
- Martha White, Town Administrator, Town of Natick Board of Selectmen
- Peter Sanchioni, Ph.D., Superintendent, Natick Public Schools
- Catherine Longley-Cook, Science Department Head, Natick Public Schools
- Jim Walker, Director of Solar PV Grid-tie Projects, Ameresco

WHEN: Tuesday, January 17, 2012 10:00am

WHERE: Wilson Middle School
22 Rutledge Road, Natick, MA 01760

About Ameresco, Inc.

Founded in 2000, Ameresco, Inc. (NYSE:AMRC) is a leading independent provider of comprehensive services, energy efficiency, infrastructure upgrades, and renewable energy solutions for facilities throughout North America. Ameresco's services include upgrades to a facility's energy infrastructure and the development, construction and operation of renewable energy plants. Ameresco has successfully completed energy saving, environmentally responsible projects with federal, state and local governments, healthcare and educational institutions, housing authorities, and commercial and industrial customers. With its corporate headquarters in Framingham, MA, Ameresco provides local expertise through its 59 offices in 34 states and five Canadian provinces. Ameresco has more than 850 employees. For more information, visit www.ameresco.com.

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