



## Amerex Energy Services Awarded Energy Procurement & Management Consulting Services Contract for Harris County Department of Education (HCDE) and Choice Partners

**HOUSTON – September 10, 2013** – Amerex Energy Services was awarded the Energy Procurement and Management Consulting Services contract by the Choice Partners national cooperative at the Harris County Department of Education (HCDE) August 2013 board meeting. This contract was competitively procured and Amerex was selected based on price, experience, reputation, quality of services, financial strength and value add services. Governmental entities that have signed an interlocal contract with HCDE may access this legally procured contract.

Amerex will offer numerous energy services, including procurement for Electricity, Natural Gas and Fuel, Utility Data Management, Utility Bill Audits and Payment Processing, Energy Efficiency and Demand Response to members of the Choice Partners national cooperative. Members of the Choice Partners cooperative include K-12 schools, colleges, universities, municipalities, counties, and other government and nonprofit organizations across the United States. There are nearly 700 members in the cooperative.

"Amerex is very excited to join forces with HCDE and Choice Partners. Providing the Choice Partners network of Governmental and Non-Profit Members direct access to our exceptional procurement services and market intelligence is a win-win scenario for all parties," said Chris Elliott, Senior Energy Consultant for Amerex Energy Services. Jeff Shoaf, Senior Vice President of Amerex Energy Services added "We realize most of these entities do not have the luxury of in-house energy expertise, and we are honored to have the opportunity to assist them in managing their energy costs."

To learn more about Amerex Energy Services please visit [www.amerexenergyservices.com](http://www.amerexenergyservices.com) or visit our Choice Partners contract page at <http://www.choicepartners.org/vendors/amerex-energy-services>.

### **About Amerex Energy Services**

Amerex Energy Services is an energy consulting firm that advises commercial, industrial, governmental and institutional entities in developing and implementing long term energy strategies. With over 30 years of wholesale and 9 years of retail energy experience, Amerex offers exceptional market intelligence and depth of experience in providing comprehensive energy price risk management services. Amerex Energy Services is the retail consulting division of Amerex Brokers LLC, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of GFI Group Inc. (NYSE: GFIG).

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