

## ***Gateway Power Services Offers Relief from Ike***

**THE WOODLANDS, TX (September 16, 2008)** – Gateway Power Services, an independent retail electric provider, is doing its part to aid victims of Hurricane Ike by extending a 60-day reprieve on bill payment to all of its customers in the Centerpoint Energy delivery area.

The company announced today that any Gateway Power customer in Centerpoint's delivery area who has a balance, whether from a currently issued bill or a past-due bill, will receive 60 days of payment amnesty. Customers do not need to make a payment and will not incur any late charges from September 16 - November 16, 2008.

“The devastation caused by Ike will make it very difficult for some of our customers to pay their bills,” stated Steven J. Maslak, Chief Executive Officer of Gateway Power's parent company, Gateway Energy Services Corporation. “Our customers and their well-being are critically important to us and helping them in this trying time is the responsibility of any good corporate citizen.”

After November 16, the company plans to work closely with all of its customers in the Centerpoint area who cannot pay their bill to determine a reasonable deferred payment plan (DPP). A DPP allows customers to pay off an outstanding balance in manageable monthly installments.

Gateway Power was ranked in the top five independent electric providers this summer on the Public Utility Commission of Texas Customer Complaint Scorecard. This monthly report compares electric providers based on a ratio of complaints to number of customers.

### **ABOUT GATEWAY POWER SERVICES**

Gateway Power Services is the Texas brand of Gateway Energy Services Corporation, one of the largest independent retail energy suppliers in the U.S. Gateway Power has provided electricity to thousands of residential and business customers in Texas since 2004. Gateway's competitive prices, innovative products and personalized customer service give consumers more control over their energy costs. Founded in 1997, Gateway Energy Services supplies natural gas and electricity in 26 markets across six states, the District of Columbia and Ontario, Canada. ([www.gesc.com](http://www.gesc.com))

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