SIEMENS WINS CONTRACT TO HELP NATIONAL PARK SERVICE (NPS) ACHIEVE SIGNIFICANT ENERGY SAVINGS AT D.C. AREA NATIONAL PARKS

ARLINGTON, VA, October 23, 2014 - The National Park Service (NPS) has awarded Siemens a $29 million contract to implement energy and water conservation measures at 13 of our nation’s most important sites in the Washington, DC metropolitan area.

National Mall and Memorial Parks, Antietam and Manassas National Battlefields, Rock Creek Park and Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts are among the regional landmarks to be upgraded by Siemens to help the NPS achieve significant energy and water reductions and their associated cost savings. In the renewable energy category, Siemens will deploy solar panels at several parks for lighting and other electricity needs. Conservation measures across all 13 sites will address domestic water and irrigation, interior and exterior lighting, outdated or failed mechanical systems and implementation of solar photovoltaic solutions where feasible.

Under the Energy Savings Performance Contract (ESPC), an IDIQ contract held by Siemens Government Technologies, Inc. with the Department of Energy, the cost of the project will be funded by energy savings generated through energy conservation measures to be installed and operated by the Building Technologies division of Siemens Industry, Inc. Savings are guaranteed by Siemens and will allow NPS to advance President Obama’s vision that federal facilities generate 20% of their energy from renewables by 2020.

Most of the savings for NPS achieved by Siemens’ improvements will come from water. For example, Siemens will install its “smart” controls at the National Mall to coordinate irrigation with rainfall. This will enable NPS to significantly reduce its water usage – and water bill. Siemens will implement similar efficiency measures at the other national parks under this contract.

Because many of the sites Siemens will upgrade and retrofit are heavily visited by tourists and park enthusiasts, Siemens will work with NPS to schedule these improvements in stages to minimize operational impact to tourists and other visitors. Similarly, to upgrade centuries-old infrastructure with 21st century technology -for example, adding solar panels to 19th century battlefields- Siemens will work with NPS officials to protect historic sight-lines and ensure zero impact.

“Siemens is proud to work with the NPS to apply our innovative energy and environmental expertise to help meet its mission to save energy and use renewable energy,” said Judy Marks, president and Chief Executive Officer, Siemens Government Technologies, Inc. “As the largest single user of energy in the U.S., the federal government is leading by example through its commitment to improving the energy efficiency of America's publicly-owned buildings, parks and historic sites, reducing carbon emissions and enhancing the nation's energy security.”
Siemens holds many ESPCs across the federal government. ESPCs allow federal agencies to reduce their energy usage, incur no upfront costs and then retain the associated savings. As a certified Energy Service Company, Siemens provides essential expertise for meeting federal energy goals and optimizing energy management – from energy audits and full program design, to alternative financing that covers costs while energy savings are realized. Siemens’ performance-based solutions leave appropriated funds intact and leverage energy savings to pay for facility, capital and technology improvements. This enables federal agencies to reduce operating costs while realizing the additional value of new, energy-efficient equipment and infrastructure. These facility improvements decrease energy consumption, save money, optimize functionality and help government agencies meet their federal mandates.

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