## UGE Selected to Install Portfolio of Microgrid Systems for Small Businesses in New York City

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May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 -- New York -- UGE International Ltd. (www.ugei.com) (TSX-V: UG, OTCQB: UGEIF), a leader in renewable energy solutions for businesses, has been selected as a winner of the RISE:NYC competition, which will see the Company install microgrid renewable energy systems to help power relief efforts in New York City communities affected by Hurricane Sandy. UGE's advanced microgrid platform consists of one or both of solar panels and wind turbines, as well as advanced power management and battery storage.

The storm caused \$19 billion in losses in New York and left more than 2.2 million people without electricity. The microgrids will be installed at businesses negatively affected by Sandy, with the aim to protect their businesses against future weather events. "My office was unable to take the claims of our insureds even after initial debris was removed because power and communications infrastructure were still weeks or months away" said one business owner selected by UGE to receive one of the energy systems.

RISE:NYC was created to deploy cutting edge solutions to enhance the City's resiliency. "Clean distributed power systems will be a significant part of protecting our infrastructure" said Nick Blitterswyk, Chief Executive Officer of UGE. "UGE's microgrid systems will help mitigate the impact of these disasters and provide a lifeline to small businesses during such an event." Each energy system was optimized to its specific site through UGE's proprietary microgrid optimization software, UGE-SET.

Microgrid systems are becoming a common feature for businesses around the world with US microgrid capacity expected to double from 2014 to 2017. UGE has designed and installed microgrid systems for dozens of businesses including national restaurant chains, island resorts, banks, hospitals and telecoms companies.

The \$30 million award is being split amongst 11 companies, with solutions expected to be implemented over the next 24 months. The final award allotments for each award recipient will be confirmed over the coming months as site by site engineering is completed.

## About UGE

UGE is a leading full service renewable energy provider for commercial and industrial clients, with over 2,000 installations in more than 90 countries. Leveraging project financing and its proprietary technology platform, UGE deploys solar and microgrid energy solutions to reduce energy costs and increase resiliency, while making the world more sustainable.

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