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**U.S. Gas and Electric Sponsors the Bully-Free-0-5 Art & Film Festival in  
Miami-Dade County Public High Schools**

**MIAMI, FL – March 11, 2013 --** U.S. Gas & Electric (“USG&E”), a provider of natural gas and electricity to commercial and residential consumers in a growing number of states, has partnered with Leadership Miami® in support of its inaugural Bully-Free-0-5 Art & Film Festival. Leadership Miami®, a program run by the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, consists of business professionals who are committed to making a positive difference in South Florida. The free event is open to the public and will be held at Miami Jackson Senior High School on March 20, 2013, at 5:00pm.

The Bully Free-0-5 Miami-Dade Public High School Art & Film Festival will include a contest that was established to give students a voice through creative self-expression. With this platform, students are educated on bullying tactics, safety tips, and are encouraged to become proactive participants in creating a “bully-free” environment. As part of the selection process, students are required to submit a video, photograph, poster, drawing, poem, sculpture or any other form of art to showcase their ideas and strategies to prevent bullying. Entries are made by individuals or groups and will be judged on creativity, originality and the effectiveness of the “anti-bullying” message.

The Bully-Free-0-5 contest offers significant prizes to both high schools and students which are sponsored by U.S. Gas & Electric and other prominent South Florida businesses. The first place winner(s) will receive \$5,000 dollars for the school(s) and \$1,000 worth of prizes for the student(s). The second place winner(s) will receive \$2,000 for the school(s) and \$500 worth of prizes for the student(s). The third place winner(s) will receive \$1,000 for the school(s) and \$250 for the student(s).

“We are proud to support Leadership Miami® and The Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce in its mission to educate and motivate students towards greatness,” stated Doug Marcille, Director, CEO and President of USG&E. “It is very important that we set a positive example for our future leaders.”

The Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce and several other prominent companies sponsor Leadership Miami®, an annual program targeting men and women interested in making Miami a better place to live. The program offers its members the opportunity to learn more about Miami from its leaders and to improve on their leadership skills. The program also gives its participants an opportunity to “give back” to their communities through high impact projects.



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