

2025 Platts Global Energy Awards

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The Platts Global Energy Awards program, now in its 27th year, is the industry’s premier recognition event, celebrating companies and individuals who make innovative contributions to the world’s energy future.

The awards highlight exemplary performance in 21 categories spanning the entire energy and chemicals value chain. Winners were selected from nominations representing 37 countries, which were reviewed by an independent judging panel of international energy experts with backgrounds in regulation, policymaking, corporate leadership, trading and strategic consulting.

While reviewing this year’s nominations, judges observed that soaring AI-driven electricity demand has sparked a renewed focus on energy security and storage. They also noted a resurgence in nuclear energy, stronger integration of low-emissions strategies and cutting-edge approaches to CO2 management.

As industry priorities expand beyond renewables alone, and as the global energy system continues its transformation, this year’s winners stand at the forefront of innovation – pioneering the technologies and strategies that will define a more secure, sustainable and resilient energy future.

Judging Panel

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ENERGY COMPANY OF THE YEAR

Cheniere
USA



As the program’s highest honor, the Energy Company of the Year Award recognizes all-around distinction in executing a total energy strategy. Judges selected Cheniere from the full pool of global nominees, citing its compelling performance as winner of both CEO of the Year and Excellence in Energy – LNG.

Since launching its LNG operations in 2016, Cheniere Energy has risen to be the largest producer of LNG in the United States and the second-largest LNG operator globally, with total combined production capacity of approximately 45 million tonnes per annum (mtpa) of LNG in operation, and an additional 10+ mtpa of expected production capacity under construction. Judges agreed that Cheniere “checks all the boxes” as “a true trailblazer in the global energy space,” distinguished not only by this impressive operational scale, but also by its exceptional leadership under President & CEO Jack Fusco. Under his guidance, Cheniere has excelled across every critical metric: it is financially robust, executes with operational discipline, and maintains a thoughtful commitment to community engagement as well as an exemplary safety record.

In the current geopolitical climate, “Cheniere is essential to providing LNG around the world,” observed a judge. It provides vital energy stability to markets in Europe and Asia, reinforcing global energy security amid shifting supply dynamics. The panel praised Fusco’s profound impact on Cheniere’s rise, noting his longstanding industry expertise and remarkable ability to drive growth and innovation over time. Judges celebrated its solid history of operating performance and felt that “Cheniere is quickly becoming a major heavyweight in the global energy game.”

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This year, two honorees were recognized for their distinguished careers and outstanding contributions to the development and future of the energy industry.

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Zhenguo Li
LONGi Green Energy
Technology Company
China



As the visionary founder of LONGi Green Energy Technology Company, and most recently named President of the company's Central R&D Institute and Chief Technology Officer of its Technology Management Center, Zhenguo Li impressed judges by exhibiting "an ongoing commitment to carbon neutrality" throughout his career. His bold dedication to monocrystalline technology ultimately revolutionized the solar industry by improving efficiency and affordability.

Under his leadership, LONGi has become one of the world's leading suppliers of solar PV products and solutions, with cumulative shipments of over 500GW of photovoltaic silicon wafers to more than 150 countries, enabling massive CO2 reductions worldwide. Li is a vocal champion of open innovation, voluntarily sharing key technologies to accelerate its global adoption. His strategic foresight is evident in advancements like the "Solar for Solar" model, which aims to decarbonize manufacturing. A respected advocate on global platforms, Li combines his technical excellence with an enduring focus on sustainability and equity, cementing his legacy as a transformative leader in the clean energy transition.

Judges thought Li has "led by example" in a very competitive market, calling him "a pioneer in China and throughout the world."

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Alan Armstrong
Williams
USA



"A leader with deep personal integrity," Alan Armstrong boasts a distinguished 40-year career at Williams that has transformed both the organization and the broader energy industry. Beginning as a design engineer in 1986, he rose to the role of CEO in 2011 with a reputation for problem-solving aptitude and operational excellence.

Armstrong strategically streamlined Williams, in business since 1908, into a best-in-class natural gas infrastructure operator, delivering 12 consecutive years of earnings growth. He championed natural gas as an essential tool for emissions reduction and energy reliability, overseeing a system that moves approximately one-third of the nation's supply. "People look up to him in the gas world," praised a judge, noting Armstrong's intense focus on process safety.

Beyond his "critically important" impact in the U.S., Armstrong is a vocal global advocate for pragmatic energy solutions, spearheading key industry initiatives on ESG reporting and infrastructure reform.

After moving into the role of Executive Chairman in 2025, his legacy is a safe, reliable, and strategically positioned company that is "leading the way" into a cleaner energy future.



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR

Jack Fusco
Cheniere
USA



Judges deemed Jack Fusco a highly deserving candidate, as he has transformed Cheniere into the largest LNG producer in the U.S. and a global energy leader. Over his nine-year tenure as President & CEO, he has exhibited the "strategic vision and steady resilience to make things happen," praised a judge.

Under Fusco's direction, Cheniere has aggressively accelerated its expansion efforts at its Corpus Christi LNG facility, delivering key infrastructure ahead of schedule. His strategic direction has also driven the approval of a major new expansion project, which boosts the company's production capacity and reinforces its position as a leader in brownfield LNG development.

Fusco's Cheniere has also achieved record operational excellence, exporting over 4,000 cargoes to 40 global markets across five continents, and reporting \$15.7 billion in 2024 annual revenue. He has championed a culture that values safety, disciplined financial growth, and environmental innovation, and has set ambitious emissions targets.

"Even before Cheniere, he was accomplishing great things in the industry," observed a judge, pointing to his successful turnaround of Texas Genco. The panel concurred that Cheniere shows comprehensive business strength, "and that's thanks to Jack's years in the top role."



CHIEF TRAILBLAZER OF THE YEAR

Shu Fei Zeng
KH Marque
Singapore



Judges were "blown away" by the "phenomenal achievements" of Shu Fei Zeng, the visionary leader and founder of KH Marque, which is proving that even the most common waste products may hold revolutionary potential for the sustainable energy sector. KH Marque diverts used cooking oil (UCO) from improper disposal and transforms it into sustainable biofuels using transparent and traceable supply chains.

Zeng propelled KH Marque from a startup to a global market leader in just four years. Under her guidance, the business has reported staggering revenue growth and is now recognized as Southeast Asia's largest UCO collector, supplying critical feedstock for global biofuels, including sustainable aviation fuel, renewable diesel, and hydrotreated vegetable oil. "It started from scratch, and she built it up in a small amount of time," admired a judge.

Zeng's leadership has driven exceptional business results while deftly redefining circularity, transparency, and climate action through systems innovation. Judges appreciated that she did more than establish a business; she created an entirely new economic model, building a client base across 11 international markets and turning everyday waste into a driver of global decarbonization.



RISING STAR AWARD
INDIVIDUAL

Katie Aittola
Duke Energy
USA



Katie Aittola is an inspirational leader who is “decisively changing the direction of Duke Energy,” an accomplishment that judges applauded. Serving in the dual role of Senior Vice President, Enterprise Strategy and Chief Risk Officer, she has been instrumental in reshaping the energy holding company’s strategic vision and risk posture; “she’s embedding climate resilience and enterprise risk management into Duke’s core operating model,” observed a judge.

Aittola’s key achievements include leading a groundbreaking, enterprise-wide climate resiliency study that set new industry standards for addressing physical risks, such as hurricanes and wildfires. She has also driven innovation in risk financing and credit reform, achieving significant premium savings and positioning Duke as a resilient, opportunity-driven leader. These efforts were praised by the panel as “commendable contributions to corporate strategy.”

As a talented manager, Aittola is known for galvanizing employee engagement and motivating others. Judges admired her ability to empower both her teams and industry peers to drive measurable year-over-year changes. Her high-impact work has established her as a respected voice in the energy sector, positioning her as “a rising star with influence far beyond her company.”



RISING STAR AWARD
COMPANY

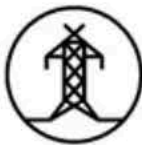
Amogy
USA



In a tight race, Amogy prevailed due to its pioneering use of ammonia as a zero-carbon fuel to decarbonize hard-to-abate industries like maritime, power generation, and heavy transportation. Founded in 2020, the company has rapidly scaled, raising nearly \$300 million from top-tier investors including Amazon’s Climate Pledge Fund, Aramco Ventures, and Mitsubishi Corporation.

Central to Amogy’s growth is its efficient, scalable cracking technology that converts liquid ammonia into its chemical components, including hydrogen for power generation. The company has demonstrated striking real-world progress with projects like the NH3 Kraken, a retrofitted 1957 tugboat, which it sailed powered by green ammonia on a tributary of the Hudson River. “It’s among the earliest vessels to operate using cracked-ammonia hydrogen fuel for propulsion, rather than direct ammonia combustion,” admired a judge. This milestone underscores Amogy’s operational excellence, as it worked closely with regulators to ensure compliance with maritime safety standards.

Judges recognized Amogy as a standout in a competitive field, praising its powerful technical execution, strategic partnerships, and potential for scalable impact as it works to unlock ammonia’s promise as a “stable, safe” green energy source.



EXCELLENCE IN ENERGY
UPSTREAM

California
Resources Corporation
USA



Judges found California Resources Corporation (CRC) to be “the cream of the crop” for its strategic transformation into a leader in energy and carbon management. Operating under California’s stringent regulations, CRC has maintained compelling operational performance while simultaneously advancing decarbonization.

CRC’s pioneering carbon capture and storage (CCS) initiatives, through its subsidiary Carbon TerraVault, are a key factor in its reputation as “an exceptional operator.” The company secured the nation’s first EPA Class VI permit for CO2 sequestration in depleted reservoirs and has additional permits pending, representing approximately 325 million metric tons of potential storage. Its joint venture with Brookfield, which includes a \$500 million initial investment to co-develop CCS and related infrastructure projects, demonstrates credibility and scalability; judges praised CRC for “securing finance in a challenging space – an incredibly tall hurdle to overcome.”

Further demonstrating its dominance, CRC has cut its Scope 1 and 2 greenhouse gas emissions by 10% since 2020. The panel found CRC to be “a resilient performer,” well-positioned both geographically and technically to lead the decarbonization of California’s economy.



EXCELLENCE IN ENERGY
MIDSTREAM

Williams
USA



Energy infrastructure business Williams cemented its midstream success through a strategic, natural gas-centric approach that balances the operational excellence necessary to meet growing demand with bold, proactive efforts to achieve decarbonization.

Under the “outstanding leadership” of CEO Alan Armstrong, Williams leverages its vast 33,000-mile pipeline infrastructure to ensure reliability and energy security. This robust infrastructure is the backbone of its financial strength; said one judge, “they have a consistent record that’s tough to beat.”

Williams drew judges’ praise by being simultaneously “reliable, consistent and solid” and remarkably innovative, notably through its power initiative, which provides low-emission power solutions for data centers, as that demand continues to grow. The company demonstrates responsible growth as “the category frontrunner in environmental performance”: it aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions intensity by 30% by 2028, having already achieved a 24% reduction.

Judges saluted Williams for proving that a midstream giant can be a dependable energy workhorse while leading the way into a cleaner energy future.



EXCELLENCE IN ENERGY
DOWNSTREAM

Repsol
Spain



Global multi-energy company Repsol, 2024’s Energy Company of the Year, led this “close category” by delivering on its “lofty goals”: it is transforming downstream fuel marketing in the Iberian Peninsula by producing renewable fuels at scale and deploying them effectively, while “making early progress” on a commitment to net-zero by 2050.

Judges approved of the scale of Repsol’s multiple renewable fuel initiatives, particularly its role as the region’s leading supplier of sustainable aviation fuel; it has signed agreements with multiple airlines to support the decarbonization of aviation. Repsol has also expanded its renewable consumer offerings with Nexa 95, now available alongside Nexa Diesel at its network of service stations. Judges noted Repsol’s “aggressive” green hydrogen development, as it is Spain’s largest producer and consumer of hydrogen, which the company considers essential to transforming industrial complexes into multi-energy centers.

Repsol recently launched a renewable fuels plant in Cartagena and has committed to building a new plant producing renewable methanol in Tarragona, which is expected to come online in the years ahead. “Greenfields are not easy from an economic standpoint,” noted a judge, but “Repsol gives confidence that this can be done.”



EXCELLENCE IN ENERGY
CHEMICALS

Topsoe
Denmark

TOPSOE

Founded in 1940 in Denmark, energy technology group Topsoe has achieved “impressive global scale and remarkable influence” by providing essential solutions that enable the production of renewable fuels, low-carbon hydrogen, and e-fuels.

Topsoe’s technology is foundational to the sector; the company reports that one-third of the world’s hydrogen is produced using its solutions, and its hydrotreating technology supports more than one-third of all global renewable diesel and sustainable aviation fuel capacity.

Topsoe “has its eye on the future” as it makes substantial investments and takes decisive leaps forward in technology. In Texas, it launched a state-of-the-art catalyst production facility to meet future market needs in renewable diesel and sustainable aviation fuel and partnered with ExxonMobil on a major blue hydrogen facility, expected to be the world’s largest.

Judges reflected that Topsoe’s variety of partners and markets reflects the versatility of its solutions; “what they produce fits into so many different strategies.” Its innovation, scale, and strategic collaboration combine to make Topsoe an “ambitious international force” in decarbonization.



EXCELLENCE IN ENERGY
LNG

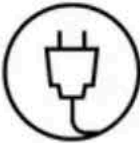
Cheniere
USA



“It was a tight race for the top spot,” noted a judge, but Cheniere emerged as the LNG sector’s winner thanks to its operational excellence and standout financial results, achieved under the leadership of CEO of the Year Jack Fusco.

The panel was particularly taken with the company’s expansion at its Corpus Christi Liquefaction facility, with the first train completed months ahead of schedule, and its development of a further \$3 billion expansion project, which is expected to add approximately 5 million tonnes per annum of LNG capacity, growing Cheniere’s brownfield LNG platform by more than 10% by 2028. “They smoothly handled a big increase in LNG production and volume,” admired a judge.

Beyond its “massive contribution to LNG exports,” Cheniere is “a great example to follow” in its holistic approach. It boasts a top-quintile safety record and has taken tangible climate action, including setting a voluntary target for methane emissions. Amid myriad industry challenges, including market volatility, inflation, and geopolitical tensions, Cheniere impressed judges as “a true leader in scaling up LNG for the long haul – they’re delivering the volume the world needs.”



EXCELLENCE IN ENERGY
POWER

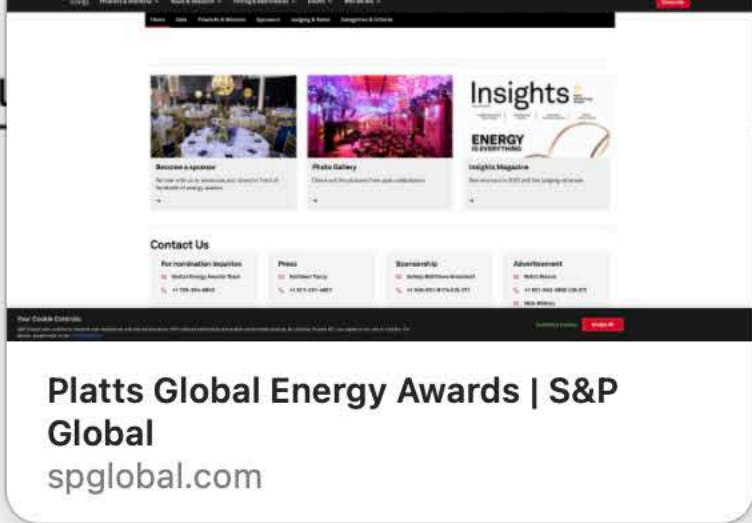
Emirates Nuclear Energy
UAE



Established in 2009, the Emirates Nuclear Energy Corporation (ENEC) emerged as a surprise global champion in the power sector by successfully executing the ambitious UAE Peaceful Nuclear Energy Program. Judges appreciated the company’s efforts to drive forward decarbonization, energy security, and sustainable economic growth, and noted that they have built “a very professional organization” from the ground up.

The cornerstone of ENEC’s program is the Barakah Nuclear Energy Plant, which now supplies 25% of the nation’s clean electricity. One judge praised “the speed at which they have developed their nuclear capability,” noting that ENEC’s safe delivery of four reactors in just over a decade is a testament to their rapid and successful entry into the global nuclear energy sector. “They did a great job of building something from scratch and getting it online quickly.”

Barakah’s operations prevent 22.4 million tons of carbon emissions annually, drastically reducing the UAE’s reliance on gas-fired generation. Building on its experience in efficient nuclear deployment, ENEC is now offering international advisory services to assist other countries with their decarbonization strategies – a visionary step that judges commended.



EXCELLENCE IN ENERGY FINANCE

ENERGY DEAL OF THE YEAR

Equis Australia
Australia



Constellation
USA



Australia is a world leader in solar and wind, but due to intermittency, “batteries are fundamental to the energy transition,” said a judge. Addressing this demand, infrastructure asset development firm Equis Australia was “the #1 choice” for its deft execution of landmark financial deals: the Melbourne Renewable Energy Hub (MREH) and the Calala battery energy storage systems (BESS).

Upon completion, the MREH is expected to rank among the world’s largest batteries, boasting a total capacity of 1.6 gigawatt-hours. Its public-private partnership with the State Electricity Commission of Victoria includes a 30% equity stake and a 25-year tolling agreement; the company also secured A\$401 million in non-recourse debt for the project, the largest such financing in Australia at final investment decision. Simultaneously, the Calala BESS in New South Wales secured the first merchant BESS financing in the state, raising A\$260 million.

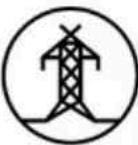
Together, these projects exemplify Equis’ ability to deliver complex, grid-critical infrastructure at scale, accelerating Australia’s path to its 2050 renewable targets. “As an agile company with a smaller platform,” commended a judge, “they are doing quite a lot.”

Constellation, the largest U.S. producer of carbon-free electricity, wowed judges by executing the Crane-Microsoft transaction, a historic effort to restart the decommissioned Three Mile Island Unit 1 nuclear facility as the Crane Clean Energy Center.

“In today’s often-challenging nuclear environment,” remarked a judge, it is “extraordinary” to have “re-created and revamped an offline nuclear power plant.” “But that’s what is expected of Constellation: they do the hard deals.” This 20-year power purchase agreement provides Microsoft with 835 megawatts of reliable, carbon-free energy for its data centers, supporting the tech-driven decarbonization of its operations.

The project, financed with a \$1.6 billion investment from Constellation, is expected to create 3,400 jobs, generate over \$3 billion in tax revenue, and reduce CO2 emissions by 61 million tons over 20 years. With work proceeding ahead of schedule, it is planned to be back online in 2027.

As one judge noted, “Many countries are dealing with the same issues of decommissioned nuclear power plants.” Constellation’s “commendable” deal offers a replicable model, proving that legacy infrastructure can be revived to meet the demands of today’s economy.



GRID EDGE AWARD



INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT OF THE YEAR

Reactive Technologies
UK



TAQA Group
UAE



Grid stability solutions provider Reactive Technologies captured judges’ attention by providing the critical real-time visibility essential for the high-renewables grid of the future. Judges found its GridMetrix platform to be “first of its kind” technology capable of directly measuring grid inertia and other functions with 95% accuracy, a significant improvement over the models it is replacing.

This cutting-edge solution enables grid operators to monitor inertia in real-time, allowing them to respond swiftly to failures and unlock up to 30% more grid capacity through renewables. This capability is key to Reactive Technologies’ success: enabling a higher percentage of renewables to be integrated without loss of system stability, directly preventing costly outages.

“It’s already helping manage the variation of resources on the grid across multiple countries,” remarked a judge, noting a customer base of leading utilities in Asia, Europe, and the Middle East. Reactive Technologies’ data, which is needed to optimize grid operations, informs better planning, full utilization of electricity supplies, and cost savings while enabling an accelerated transition to clean energy.

Capturing praise for both scale and flawless execution, TAQA Group’s main transmission subsidiary demonstrated “exceptional leadership in grid modernization” through the successful activation of the UAE’s two largest phase-shifting transformers (PSTs) and the country’s largest dynamic reactive power system (STATCOM). Judges remarked that achieving this level of technical sophistication within budget and schedule can be particularly difficult in this region.

The PSTs enable dynamic control of power flow, dramatically improving grid utilization and enabling seamless integration of renewable energy from solar and nuclear sources. These projects provide critical stability across a wide region and represent a transformative approach to transmission infrastructure: “they’re moving beyond static systems to smart, flexible grid management.”

Judges liked that TAQA, as the owner rather than vendor, expertly integrated multiple technologies to maximize grid value. They found this deployment especially significant as it brings advanced technology typically seen elsewhere to the Middle East, proving that modernization is achievable; “it represents an industry-forcing moment in transmission innovation.”



EMERGING TECHNOLOGY OF THE YEAR

Quaise Energy
USA



Geothermal energy startup Quaise Energy is shaking up the drilling world, which “hasn’t advanced since the 1950s,” with millimeter wave drilling, a promising advancement poised to unlock geothermal energy’s full potential. Developed after more than a decade of research at MIT and patent-protected, this technology uses high-power microwaves to vaporize rock – “drilling perfectly clean holes through some of the hardest rocks on Earth in record time,” as the company reports.

Quaise is not only pioneering deep drilling science but also actively driving toward commercialization with a vision to “help mining across the globe.” Its millimeter wave drilling has progressed from lab validation to “truly impressive” field-scale testing at a strategic site in central Texas. This location provides kilometers-thick granite near the surface, modeling the hard basement rock that must be penetrated to access universal superhot geothermal resources.

Quaise has ambitious plans, including a more powerful gyrotron and a pilot power plant. Judges anticipate that the team “can get across the finish line” and bring geothermal energy into electricity generation, making it a major component in a clean power grid.



COMMERCIAL TECHNOLOGY OF THE YEAR

Valero Energy Corporation
USA



In a crowded category, Valero Energy Corporation’s expansion of its Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) technology proved to the panel that the company is “delivering meaningful emissions reductions” and “changing the direction of carbon” in an important way.

Having captured Downstream honors in 2023, in part for its efforts to decarbonize aviation, Valero this year leapfrogged new market entrants by successfully completing its large-scale SAF project at its Port Arthur, Texas Diamond Green Diesel (DGD) renewable diesel plant. The project’s completion makes DGD one of the world’s largest manufacturers of SAF, with an annual production capacity of 235 million gallons. Judges lauded the company’s efficient integration of this new technology into existing infrastructure, noting, “the more you can adapt new technology to operational infrastructure, the more important it is.”

Valero is already generating dramatic commercial results, reporting \$63 million in SAF revenue in just the first quarter of 2025, and securing agreements with major airlines, including Southwest and JetBlue. The panel celebrated Valero for creating “commercial technology that we need, that’s scalable throughout the industry.”



CORPORATE IMPACT AWARD
COMPREHENSIVE PORTFOLIO

ReNew
India



ReNew, a leading decarbonization solutions provider in India, tackled the intertwined challenges of climate change and social inequality in vulnerable communities to win a category filled with “many meaningful entries.” Its initiatives, focused on education, clean water access, and gender equity, have impacted over 1.7 million lives, demonstrating its commitment beyond clean energy generation.

“India is one of the hardest places in the world to develop and execute projects like these,” commented a judge. ReNew answered this challenge with a hyper-local, community-driven approach that is delivering transformative results. Its Lighting Lives program has solarized more than 100 schools, providing students with access to digital education, while its water security initiatives deliver clean water to thousands of people in arid regions. The panel was particularly impressed with Project Surya, which has trained over 1,000 low-income women to become solar technicians, breaking gender norms and providing new economic opportunities. The panel noted that “support of women’s empowerment is important in this region.”

Judges congratulated ReNew for its company culture, which demonstrates climate justice in action as it works to enable India’s transition to a clean, inclusive, and resilient future.



CORPORATE IMPACT AWARD
TARGETED PROGRAM -
GLOBAL EAST

LONGi Green Energy
Technology Company
China



Judges expressed appreciation for the “remarkable gesture and program” presented by solar technology leader LONGi Green Energy Technology Company, founded by Lifetime Achievement Award recipient Zhenguo Li. Its Solar for Safe Births program for a maternity clinic in Mozambique is “a story of dignity, health, and hope for the future of this community.”

In the remote, off-grid village of Linga Linga, where pregnant women once faced long walks to reach a distant clinic for childbirth, LONGi fundamentally transformed maternal healthcare. By installing a solar-powered freshwater system in the local maternity clinic, the company provided reliable light and clean running water where there had been none. This intervention drastically reduced the risk of infections and complications during childbirth. Now, the community’s mothers have access to safe care close to home. An average of 17 babies are born each month under these improved conditions, thanks to LONGi’s efforts.

Judges concurred that bringing solar to a region marked by extreme poverty “gives both the mom and baby a fighting chance at life.” This project, implemented with partners amid extreme logistical challenges, offers a scalable solution for off-grid healthcare across Africa and Asia.



**CORPORATE IMPACT AWARD
TARGETED PROGRAM - GLOBAL WEST**

CPFL Energia
Brazil



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Following the most devastating climate disaster in southern Brazil’s history, energy distributor CPFL Energia led an extraordinary humanitarian response to the 2024 floods in Rio Grande do Sul. This effort made it stand out in a competitive category, with judges deeply impressed by the scale and compassion of its “well-organized and structured response.”

Through its regional distributor Rio Grande Energia, CPFL quickly mobilized a vast workforce of employees to restore power to thousands of customers across hundreds of municipalities. While judges hailed this as a “stellar deployment,” the company’s commitment extended far beyond infrastructure. With a multi-million-dollar investment, CPFL delivered a holistic recovery program, providing thousands of low-income families with energy-efficient appliances, equipping 40 health institutions with solar systems and backup power, and modernizing schools to resume safe operations.

The panel expressed “great admiration and respect” for CPFL’s ability to combine rapid disaster response with long-term community investment, all while still meeting its core obligations as an energy business. “They swiftly and effectively redirected their efforts to meet urgent community needs; that’s the spirit this category is meant to convey.”