

Advanced Energy Completes \$75 Million Share Repurchase Program

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FORT COLLINS, Colo., June 5, 2012 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Advanced Energy Industries, Inc. (Nasdaq:AEIS) today announced the completion of its \$75 million share repurchase program. The program, which was initiated in November 2011, was completed in approximately six months and the company purchased 6.4 million shares at an average price of \$11.72 per share. As of March 31, 2012, the company had approximately \$151 million in cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities and approximately 41.3 million common shares outstanding.

"The completion of the repurchase program demonstrates Advanced Energy's commitment to return value to its shareholders. Our strong cash position coupled with positive cash flow generation has allowed us to conduct this program with minimal impact to our overall cash position," said Garry Rogerson, CEO. "We remain focused on our restructuring initiatives to align our cost structure, accelerate revenue growth and effectively utilize our cash which, once implemented, should lead to improved profitability and exceptional shareholder value."

About Advanced Energy

Advanced Energy is a global leader in innovative power and control technologies for high-growth, thin-film manufacturing and solar-power generation. Founded in 1981, Advanced Energy is headquartered in Fort Collins, Colorado with dedicated support and service locations around the world. For more information, go to www.advanced-energy.com.

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