



New Jersey's Clean Energy Newsletter December 2007

Thank you for choosing to subscribe to New Jersey's Clean Energy Program™ (NJCEP) Newsletter. We designed it to provide you with the "Power to Save" - information you need to connect to programs that provide financial and environmental savings for New Jersey residents, businesses, municipalities, and schools. This issue also contains information related to global warming, climate change solutions and energy efficiency, and the 2007 Clean Energy Leadership Award Winners!

We hope you find the NJCEP Newsletter to be useful and that you visit the links below to learn more about the programs and online tools that can help you save energy, reduce costs, and protect the environment. Contact us at info@njcleanenergy.com or by calling 1-866-NJSMART.

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Governor Corzine Recognizes Nation's First Commercial Net Zero Electric Building

Governor Jon S. Corzine and BPU President Jeanne M. Fox recognized Ferreira Construction as the recipient of the 2007 New Jersey Clean Energy Leadership Award for Market Innovator and for creating the nation's first Net Zero Electric Energy commercial building, a ground breaking facility design that saves energy and helps reduce greenhouse gases. With incentives provided through the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities and New Jersey's Clean Energy Program, Ferreira Construction was able to attain the goal of creating a building that provides all of the electric energy needs through a combination of solar photovoltaics and energy efficiency measures for its 42,000 square foot commercial building headquarters. [Visit Press & Media for more information.](#)

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2007 Clean Energy Leadership Award Winners Announced

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) recognized 8 New Jersey businesses and organizations at the 2007 Clean Energy Conference and Leadership Awards for their leadership and innovation in creating clean energy solutions that save energy and help reduce greenhouse gases. [Visit the Clean Energy Conference & Leadership Awards web pages](#) for more information about their achievements. The winners are:

Trump Marina Energy Conservation Project (Atlantic City, NJ)	NJ Clean Energy Business Leader
EPV Solar (Lawrenceville, NJ)	NJ Clean Energy Manufacturer
NJ Resources (Wall, NJ)	NJ Clean Power Purchaser
Rowan University (Glassboro, NJ)	NJ Clean Energy School
Ferreira Net Zero Project with Live Data Systems (Branchburg, NJ)	NJ Clean Energy Market Innovator
Springfield Commons (Newark, NJ)	NJ Clean Energy Project of the Year
Middlesex County Showroom of Environmental Technology (MCSET)	NJ Clean Energy Municipality
Prout Funeral Home (Verona, NJ)	NJ Clean Energy Small Business Leader

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Clean Energy Conference Hosts Keynote Ted Turner and a Record Number of Attendees!

Ted Turner - investor in New Jersey-based DT Solar, a Turner Renewable Energy Company - addressed the 2007 Clean Energy Conference and Leadership Awards Sept. 28 and stressed the need to partner for climate change solutions. The 2-day Conference at the Hyatt Regency in New Brunswick, NJ, had a record-breaking attendance of over 980. [Please visit the Clean Energy Conference homepage](#) to see the NJN News Interview with Turner and BPU President Jeanne Fox and review Conference Speaker Presentations.

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Draft of New Jersey's Energy Master Plan Soon to be Released

Launched in October 2006, the New Jersey Energy Master Plan, led by Governor Jon S. Corzine, is addressing our need for secure and reasonably priced energy supplies and services - the basis for continued economic growth - balanced with the need to protect our health, safety, and our State's precious natural environment. [Visit the New Jersey Energy Master Plan web site](#) to learn more about this statewide initiative.

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NJBPU Approves Transformation of New Jersey's Solar Market

On September 12, 2007, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities unanimously approved the transition of New Jersey's solar program to a fiscally responsible market that will foster the continued growth of solar energy use in the State. To read more about the upcoming changes to the solar program, please visit the Renewable Program Updates on NJCleanEnergy.com.

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Change A Light Change The World Campaign Rolls Out in New Jersey: Visit Your Local Retailers!

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities announced they are working with New Jersey's **CleanPower** Community Partners and residents statewide to replace 20,000 light bulbs with ENERGY STAR qualified bulbs by December 31, 2007, as part of this year's ENERGY STAR® *Change A Light, Change The World* lighting campaign. New Jersey has already met its goal and leads the nation in changing to ENERGY STAR qualified lighting. Visit one of 900 participating retailers across the state to get specially discounted ENERGY STAR lighting products. To learn more about the Change A Light Campaign and see a list of participating retailers, please visit the Change A Light page at www.NJCleanEnergy.com/CAL.

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CleanPower Choice Program Enrolls 13,000 Customers!

The **CleanPower** Choice Program is a NJBPU-sponsored voluntary program in which 4 state-licensed **CleanPower** Marketers offer electric utility customers - who opt to pay a little extra on monthly bill payments - renewable energy options that include solar, wind, hydro and/or landfill gas power. Join more than 13,000 customers across the state and sign up today! More information is available in the [Renewable section of NJCleanEnergy.com](#).

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CleanPower Community Partnership Expands to 20 Communities for Fall Campaign

Over the past year, the **CleanPower** Community Partnership Program has grown to 20 communities throughout New Jersey. This program provides education and outreach support for communities that commit to signing up at least 2% of their residents or constituents to the **CleanPower** Choice Program. Throughout the spring campaign, **CleanPower** Community Partners helped enroll 3,267 customers in the **CleanPower** Choice Program. To learn more about how you can become involved in the **CleanPower** Community Partnership Campaign this fall, please contact Erin Bijas, Outreach Coordinator, at communitypartners@njcleanenergy.com or visit the Community Partnership web page in the [Renewable section of NJCleanEnergy.com](#).

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See Winter Energy Savings with Home Performance with ENERGY STAR®

Home Performance with ENERGY STAR will help you save energy and reduce your energy costs by up to 30% this winter. Contractors accredited by the Building Performance Institute (BPI), a national resource for building science, will assess your home's energy efficiency, comfort, and safety. During the Home Performance assessment, the contractor examines and tests the "shell" of a home. This evaluation includes walls, ceilings, floors, and foundation for air loss and proper insulation levels. Your heating, cooling, and ventilation systems are tested, and they will check to make sure your ducts and radiators that distribute your home's heating and cooling are working properly. Please call 1-866-NJSMART or visit the [Residential homepage of NJCleanEnergy.com](#) for more information.

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Save Energy Throughout Your Whole House

New Jersey's Clean Energy Program is helping New Jersey families work together to save energy within their homes. The interactive Energy-Saver House on [NJCleanEnergy.com](#) identifies ways to save energy, cut costs, and contribute to climate change solutions. You'll also see what special promotions are currently available through New Jersey's Clean Energy Program. To explore the house, [click here](#) for the Energy-Saver page.

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Rebates Available on Clothes Washers in New Jersey

New Jersey's Clean Energy Program is rewarding customers who purchase the most efficient ENERGY STAR® qualified clothes washers. For a limited time only, get up to \$75 back from New Jersey's Clean Energy Program on the purchase of eligible ENERGY STAR qualified clothes washers. This offer is valid for select models only. Click on the banner ad on the [Residential homepage](#) of [NJCleanEnergy.com](#) for more information.

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Take Advantage of the *WARMA* Advantage Program

Receive rebates on the purchase of high efficiency ENERGY STAR® natural gas home heating systems and/or water heaters with the *WARMA* Advantage Program from New Jersey's Clean Energy Program. Whether purchasing a new natural gas heating system and/or natural gas hot water heater or replacing an old system, please make sure to check that your equipment meets the minimum requirements as shown on the charts found on the [WARMA Advantage page](#) under the Residential section of [NJCleanEnergy.com](#).

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NJBPU Authorizes Municipal Audit Program: UPDATE

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities has authorized an incentive program to subsidize the cost to municipalities or other governmental agencies to have an energy audit of their facilities performed. This program should be launched during the first quarter of 2008. Please visit the [Commercial & Industrial Program homepage](#) to learn more about this great program.

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Coming Soon: K-12 Schools Energy and Education Program

The New Jersey Office of Clean Energy, in accordance with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, is in the process of developing and implementing a pilot K-12 Schools Energy and Education Program (SEEP). This program will provide a range of services to educate students, teachers, and staff, while simultaneously enhancing schools' ability to manage operational energy use and to comprehensively access New Jersey Clean Energy Programs. Pending final approvals, this program should be available in early 2008. Stay tuned to www.NJCleanEnergy.com for updates.

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SREC-Only Pilot Program-UPDATE

As of November 23, the SREC-Only Pilot program has over 51 MW of accepted projects and over 34 MW pending acceptance. Program participation statistics are updated weekly and are posted on the NJCleanEnergy website here: <http://www.njcleanenergy.com/misc/renewable-energy/weekly-status-reports>. Project developers and registrants are encouraged to use the online weekly reports to find out the status of their projects and of the program as a whole. More information about the SREC-Only Pilot Program can be found in the [Renewable Section](#) of NJCleanEnergy.com, or by contacting the SREC-Only Pilot program manager, Steve Wiese, at steve.wiese@csgroup.com

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Fall 2007 CORE Program Update PLUS New CORE Activity Numbers Posted!

The Customer On-Site Renewable Energy (CORE) Incentive Program has completed over 700 renewable project approvals since June, and in the same period issued almost 280 rebate checks. Year to date, the program has issued commitments for 969 projects worth over \$92 million, representing 25.6 MW of renewable power, and issued \$43 million in rebate checks representing 13.4 MW. For complete updates on the queue position of project applications, please visit the [Renewable homepage](#) of NJCleanEnergy.com and click on the appropriate queue listing under "Program Updates."

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New Jersey Solar Market Update (3Q 2007)

On a quarterly basis, NJCEP publishes reports on New Jersey's Solar Renewable Energy Certificates market. The reports review the monthly and cumulative market activity, identify ongoing trends, and provide market price information. Preliminary results as of Sept. 30, 2007 show 2,446 solar electric systems have been installed since 2001 with help from New Jersey's Clean Energy Program. For other statistics related to New Jersey's Solar Market, you can access the report from [NJCEP's Renewable Energy homepage](#) under "Program Updates."

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Model Ordinance Addressing Small Wind Energy Systems for Municipalities

The Office of Clean Energy has worked with the U.S. Department of Energy and members of the New Jersey Small Wind Working Group toward overcoming local land use barriers as an impediment to more widespread

adoption of small wind energy generation systems in New Jersey. Read the draft of the [New Jersey Small Wind Energy System Model Ordinance](#) in the Program Updates section of the Renewable homepage on NJCleanEnergy.com.

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New Jersey Small Wind Working Group

Learn how you can become involved in the New Jersey Small Wind Working Group, which was started by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities and is funded by a grant provided by the U.S. Department of Energy Wind Powering America Program. [Visit the Small Wind Working Group](#) page in the Renewable section of NJCleanEnergy.com and read about the Group, upcoming meetings and the New Jersey Regional Anemometer Program (NJRAP).

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Solicitations Extended for Development of Off-Shore Wind Facilities

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities recently announced the pilot incentive and competitive financing program to develop off-shore wind facilities. Please visit the [Grants & Solicitations section](#) at [www.NJCleanEnergy.com](#) to learn more about this opportunity.

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NJ SmartStart Buildings: Direct Install Program Planned

NJ SmartStart Buildings® Program will soon be launching a Direct Install Program offering eligible small business customers the opportunity to retrofit their existing equipment with more energy efficient systems. The Program will identify all cost-effective efficiency retrofit opportunities and provide direct installation, financial incentives, education, and other strategies to encourage the early replacement of existing equipment with high efficiency alternatives, as well as the installation of new equipment. All energy-using systems will be eligible for improvements including lighting, controls, refrigeration, HVAC, motors, and variable speed drives. This turnkey program is being designed to provide customers with a single source of information, technical assistance, financial incentives, and a comprehensive package of energy efficiency improvements for each project.

Be sure to check the [commercial and industrial section](#) of the NJ Clean Energy Program web site for information about when the Direct Install Program will be available and how you can participate.

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See What's New at [www.NJCleanEnergy.com](#)

[Clean Energy Success Stories](#) are now available on NJCleanEnergy.com. Read about the renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies and practices put in place by award winners and others and take a tip from them: Clean Energy really is Smart Business!

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involved in clean energy conferences and initiatives throughout the state and have your event listed.

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