

# New Jersey's Clean Energy Newsletter

Energy Saving Tips for New Jersey businesses, residents, municipalities and schools



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## New Jersey's Clean Energy Program Newsletter AUGUST 2008

New Jersey's Clean Energy Program (NJCEP) newsletter is designed to communicate that everyone has the "Power to Save" - throughout your home, business and your community. We hope you find this newsletter to be useful and that you visit the links below to learn more about financial incentives available to save on energy efficient and renewable energy technologies.

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#### Headlines

##### Registration for 2009 Clean Energy Conference Now Open

The 2009 Clean Energy Conference will be held on October 21 and 22 at the Atlantic City Convention Center. The event has been expanded to a two-day format with an exciting and informative agenda featuring well-known speakers who will focus on:

- Viable Solutions for Saving Energy Now
- Stimulus Packages and Job Growth
- Innovation in the Clean Energy Industry
- Whole-Building, Whole-Community Approaches

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##### Call for Nominations - 2009 Clean Energy Leadership Awards

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities is now accepting nominations for the 2009 Clean Energy Leadership Awards. The awards honor individuals, local and county governments, businesses, schools, institutions and organizations that have improved New Jersey's competitiveness and its environment through the effective and innovative use of energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies.

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##### New Refrigerator - Freezer Recycling Program Announced

Chances are, an older refrigerator or freezer is running up your electric bills by an average of \$150 per year. New Jersey's Clean Energy Program announces a new program that will recycle your old refrigerator or freezer and keep harmful materials out of landfills. We will pick it up for free, and you'll receive a \$30 incentive. Call 877.270.3520 to schedule an appointment.

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##### Free Energy Benchmarking Offered

Energy Benchmarking is a method of evaluating the performance of commercial, industrial, and municipal buildings. This free service is offered to building owners and managers and uses a variety of analysis models to help target operations and maintenance efforts and significantly reduce energy bills. Get started - get control!

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##### First Municipal Small Wind Project

The Borough of Ocean Gate was instrumental in the creation of the Small Wind Model Ordinance to assist municipalities in navigating the complicated associated zoning and permitting processes. They have also broken ground on two 50 kW wind turbines that will help reduce the borough's carbon footprint and help stabilize real estate taxes.

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#### Ask the Energy Guru

##### Featured Question:

**Q:** How can I sign up for an energy audit of my home?

**A:** To schedule an appointment for an energy audit call us at **866-NJSMART** (866-657-6278). Or, for more program details or to find a certified contractor, visit: [NJCleanEnergy.com/hp](http://NJCleanEnergy.com/hp)



Do you have a question you'd like answered?

[Submit Your Question](#)

#### Featured Success Story

## Rebates Available

Rebates are available on many of the items you use every day. These energy efficient products can help lower your monthly bills!

### ENERGY STAR Rebate Information Quick Links:

- [Central Air Conditioners](#)
- [Room Air Conditioners](#) (through August 31, 2009)
- [Clothes Washers](#)
- [Dehumidifiers](#)
- [Water Heaters](#)
- [Furnaces](#)
- [Heat Pumps](#)

[Continue Reading about Rebates and Promotions](#)

### Applications Available for Renewable Energy Projects

The Renewable Energy Incentive Program is now accepting applications for solar, wind and biopower projects.

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## Program News

### Coming Soon: Community Partners Initiative Incentives

The Community Partners Initiative helps to raise awareness of New Jersey's Clean Energy Programs by supporting local communities with support and outreach to promote the benefits of clean energy. New updates to this program will include financial incentives municipalities can earn for completing a series of public outreach tasks.

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### ENERGY STAR Lighting Online Store

New Jersey's Clean Energy Program is offering discounted compact fluorescents light bulbs (CFLs), lamps, ceiling fans and other lighting fixtures for your home. Visit our online store to check out the great selection and also take advantage of free shipping on all orders over \$25!

[Residential ENERGY STAR Lighting Offer](#)

### New Contractor/Trade Ally Search Tool Available

A new tool is now available to help you find a contractor or trade ally to install a solar system, perform a home energy audit, install energy efficient lighting at your business, and more.

Find a Trade Ally: [Commercial/Industrial](#) | [Residential](#)

### Largest LEED for Homes Multi-Family Community in the Country

Alexan CityView, located in Bayonne, NJ is the largest LEED certified project in the country. LEED, which stands for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, is a rating system which is considered the benchmark standard for green building. The project was also certified as a New Jersey ENERGY STAR<sup>®</sup> Homes community.

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### Program Offers Energy Audits

The Local Government Energy Audit offers municipalities and local government officials help in identifying cost-justified energy efficiency measures for local government-owned buildings including offices, town halls, police and fire stations, sanitation buildings, transportation structures, schools and community centers. The cost of the audit is subsidized up to 100%.

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### Utility Solar Financing Programs

The BPU directed the states' electric utilities to come up with new financing plans to support the development of solar systems through

## Borough of Ocean Gate Captures the Wind

The Borough of Ocean Gate plans to utilize wind turbines to benefit from clean, renewable wind energy. Read about this 2008 Clean Energy Municipality of the Year. (PDF)

[Success Stories](#)

## Featured Event

### New Jersey's Clean Energy Conference

**Date:** Oct 21-22, 2009

**Location:** Atlantic City Convention Center, New Jersey

Attend New Jersey's Clean Energy Conference for two days of learning, networking, collaborating and celebrating innovation in the clean energy industry.

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long-term SREC purchase and sale agreements. Jersey Central Power & Light and Atlantic City Electric released RFP documents for the first solicitation with proposals due August 25. PSE&G is providing approximately \$105 million towards the financing of solar systems over the next two years.

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### **Renewable Energy Projects To Receive Direct Federal Payments in Lieu of Tax Credits**

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act authorized the U.S. Department of Treasury to make direct payments to companies that install renewable energy projects that began generation on or after January 1, 2009. The agency is not yet accepting applications, but has released guidance documents to assist in the preparation of the applications. For more information, please visit [treas.gov](http://treas.gov).

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### **Also in the News**

#### **The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)**

The ARRA legislation makes energy efficiency and renewable energy a high priority. To learn more about these important initiatives, visit [www.recovery.nj.gov](http://www.recovery.nj.gov)

#### **Green Job Training**

Are you looking for a Green Job? New Jersey's Clean Energy Program now lists training opportunities to help you get started.

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#### **Grants and Solicitations Posted**

New Jersey's Clean Energy Program and the State of New Jersey offer grants and solicitations on a regular basis. Solicitations for Applications to Develop Combined Heat and Power Energy Facilities Serving New Jersey Customers are due on September 14.

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### **We Are Here to Help!**

If you have questions about New Jersey's Clean Energy Program, rebates on energy efficiency appliances or technologies, call our **Customer Care Center** at **866-NJSMART** or submit your question to [info@njcleanenergy.com](mailto:info@njcleanenergy.com).