



New Jersey's Clean Energy Newsletter

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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 and businesses. This issue also contains energy efficiency and climate change solutions tips, some of the major themes of this year's Clean Energy Conference & Leadership Awards!

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. We welcome all feedback, especially story ideas. Just send us an email at info@njcep.com.

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Governor Corzine Calls for Sweeping Reductions in Greenhouse Gases

Governor Jon S. Corzine has recently signed an Executive Order that sets statewide targets for stabilizing New Jersey's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions at 1990 levels by 2020 and reducing GHG emissions to 80% below 2006 levels by 2050. Please visit the [Press and Media](#) section of NJCleanEnergy.com to read the press release on this Executive Order.

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Energy Master Plan Gains Steam

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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NEW! Market Managers On Board and Ready to Help

New Jersey’s Clean Energy Program recently welcomed on board NEW Market Managers, who will assist in the development and expansion of the Residential, Commercial/Industrial, and Renewable Energy Programs of NJCEP. Learn about this new team of professionals ready to answer your questions and help you take advantage of New Jersey’s Clean Energy Program. [Click here](#) to view their contact information or call 1-866-NJSMART.

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Spring Ahead for Savings with Home Performance with ENERGY STAR®

You can save up to 30% or more on your energy costs and increase the comfort, safety, and durability of your home through NJ Home Performance with ENERGY STAR. Contractors accredited by the Building Performance Institute (BPI) will work with you to identify sources of wasted energy and help make money-saving improvements to your home. Financial incentives are available. For more information and a list of contractors in your area, please visit the [Home Performance with ENERGY STAR](#) web pages in the Residential section of NJCleanEnergy.com.

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Energy Savings Tips: Get Ready for Summer

Start off your summer right: purchase a qualified ENERGY STAR room air conditioner (RAC) and receive a rebate from New Jersey’s Clean Energy Program. This offer is available from May 14 through August 31, 2007. Read more about [New Jersey for ENERGY STAR](#) and see which equipment qualifies for a rebate.

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New Jersey Solar Market Update Report (4Q 2006)

On a quarterly basis, the New Jersey Clean Energy Program publishes reports on New Jersey’s solar renewable energy certificate (SREC) market. The reports review the monthly and cumulative market activity, identify ongoing market trends, and provide market price information. If you are interested in learning more about the Solar Market, you can [download the latest report](#) under the Renewable Energy tab of NJCleanEnergy.com.

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New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Explores Alternative Financing Models for Solar Market

The New Jersey Office of Clean Energy recently completed a series of solar transition discussions at Monmouth University, New Jersey Institute of Technology, and Thomas Edison State College. Presentations focused on educating vendors and consumers about alternative solar financing models under consideration and New Jersey's current pilot program which is exploring the transition from rebates to renewable energy certificates (RECs). You can [view the presentations](#) at NJCleanEnergy.com.

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Communities Join CleanPower Partnership

Many New Jersey communities have committed to clean energy solutions in response to global climate change and the need for clean, reliable energy sources. Various communities across the state have signed on as **CleanPower** Community Partners - a new program which helps communities set clean energy goals and educate their constituents about the **CleanPower** Choice Program(SM) and other renewable energy and energy efficient programs and incentives. The **CleanPower** Community Partners include: Princeton, the Borough of Belmar, Atlantic County Utilities Authority, Middlesex County, the Township of Montclair, Borough of Lindenwold, Summit City and Environmental Commission, Maplewood Environmental Commission, Hudson County, and Cape May City. Together, these Partners have set a goal to enroll more than 9,000 residents in the **CleanPower** Choice Program, which would reduce carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions by over 90.6 million pounds - the equivalent of removing over 7,900 cars or over 5,600 SUVs from the road for a year, or planting more than 12,000 acres of trees (using the EPA's Power Profiler.) To read more about [events in their communities](#) this spring and to see how these Community Partners are working to promote a cleaner New Jersey, please visit www.NJCleanPower.com.

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CleanPower Choice Information in April Electric Bills!

Look for the **CleanPower** Choice Program enrollment form in your April electric bill. Currently over 10,000 residents and businesses have chosen clean, renewable energy. To join our growing list of business, civic, and environmental leaders who have pledged support to the **CleanPower** Choice Coalition and to learn more about the **CleanPower** Choice Program, please visit us at www.NJCleanPower.com.

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New Jersey Wind Working Group – Updates

The New Jersey Wind Working Group for Terrestrial & Small Wind Systems was put in place to develop a statewide implementation strategy to stimulate small wind development. To subscribe to the New Jersey Wind Working Group listserv, please send an email to alma.rivera@bpu.state.nj.us. To learn more about upcoming meetings and activities, please visit the [New Jersey Wind Working Group](#) web pages at NJCleanEnergy.com.

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Call for Nominations for Clean Energy Leadership Awards: Deadline May 28

Award submissions are currently being accepted for the 2007 New Jersey Clean Energy Leadership Awards. These awards honor individuals, municipalities, businesses, industries, and organizations that have improved New Jersey's economic competitiveness and its environment through the effective and innovative use of renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies. You can [download an](#)

[application](#) at NJCleanEnergy.com.

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Education & Outreach Grant Program Is In Place

The New Jersey Clean Energy Education & Outreach Grant Program provides funding to nonprofit organizations to educate and engage communities about ways to reduce their energy usage, save on costs, and protect the environment. To learn more about this program, please visit the [Grants & Solicitations](#) portion of NJCleanEnergy.com.

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SAVE THE DATE! 2007 New Jersey Clean Energy Conference

The 2007 Clean Energy Conference & Leadership Awards, which will focus on 'Partnering for Climate Change Solutions' is set for September 27-28 at the New Brunswick Hyatt Regency. With over 600 attendees at last year's conference, the event has been expanded to a new 2-day format to accommodate municipalities, vendors, businesses, residents, and Clean Energy marketers alike. Register early and save! Check out our [2007 Clean Energy Conference](#) web page for more details.

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NEW at NJCleanEnergy.com: Clean Energy Success Stories

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 these award winners and take a tip from them: Clean Energy really is Smart Business.

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Clean Energy Events: Save the Date

The Middlesex County Showroom of Environmental Technology (MCSET) will be hosting a Forum on May 2 entitled: "Implementing Green Technology and Sustainability." Please visit the [Event Listing](#) portion of the NJCEP website to find out more about how you can become involved in this initiative.

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New Jersey Board of Public Utilities – 2007 Agenda Dates

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