NASEO 2014 ENERGY POLICY OUTLOOK CONFERENCE
Preliminary Agenda Available and Registration Open!

NASEO's 2014 Energy Policy Outlook Conference will focus on the energy and economic opportunity in modernizing the nation's energy infrastructure—electric grid, pipelines, buildings, and transportation—to achieve a more resilient, sustainable, and energy efficient future. Learn More

ENERGY ASSURANCE AND INTERDEPENDENCY WORKSHOP
Presentations Now Available

The U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability in coordination with NASEO conducted the Energy Assurance and Interdependency Workshop in early December in Washington, D.C. Learn More

FY’13 STATE ENERGY PROGRAM COMPETITIVE AWARDS ANNOUNCED
Sixteen States Receive $5 Million for Efficiency and Energy Savings Projects

On Tuesday, November 26, 2013, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) announced the U.S. State Energy Program (SEP) Competitive State Awardees for FY’13 under areas one through three. Area 4 was announced on Wednesday, December 11. Nearly $5 million went to 16 states to increase statewide energy savings and boost the energy efficiency of public institutions, local governments, and industrial sectors, and develop clean energy
NEW ENGLAND GOVERNORS TO COOPERATE ON INFRASTRUCTURE INITIATIVE
Six States Commit to Affordable, Clean, and Reliable Power

New England's Governors recently committed their six states to an energy initiative to bring affordable, cleaner, and more reliable power to homes and businesses across the Northeast region. This initiative will accelerate regional cooperation on expanding renewable energy and energy infrastructure in New England. Learn More

PRESIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM CALLS FOR FEDERAL LEADERSHIP ON ENERGY MANAGEMENT
Encourages Government to Lead By Example

In order to create a clean energy economy that will increase the Nation's prosperity, promote energy security, combat climate change, protect the interests of taxpayers, and safeguard the health of our environment, the President called for the Federal Government to lead by example. Learn More

INDIANA TO DRAFT NEW STATE ENERGY PLAN
Final Plan Expected to Governor by June 2014

The Indiana Office of Energy Development recently announced that it has officially begun the process of crafting a new energy plan for the State of Indiana. Indiana's current energy plan, the Homegrown Energy Plan, was written in 2006. Since that time, Indiana's cost of electricity for industrial customers has increased, causing Indiana to slip from 5th lowest in the country to 27th lowest. Learn More

WASHINGTON STATE TO EXPEDITE NATURAL GAS INFRASTRUCTURE MODERNIZATION
Replacement Targets Elevated Risk Pipes

State regulators have approved plans by the state's four investor-owned natural gas companies to modernize and update their pipeline delivery systems, replacing hundreds of miles of older pipes with state-of-the-art plastic pipe.  Learn More

MASSACHUSETTS FUNDS SEVEN NEW ENERGY PROGRAMS

More Than $32 Million Provided for Clean Energy Heating and Cooling Projects

As the winter heating season continues, Massachusetts Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) Secretary Rick Sullivan recently joined other Patrick Administration officials to celebrate $32.5 million in funding for seven programs aimed at reducing heating and cooling costs, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and creating clean energy jobs across Massachusetts.  Learn More

NASEO FINANCING COMMITTEE: NEW YORK PLANS TO LAUNCH $1 BILLION GREEN BANK

NYSERDA Treasurer Presents Details to Committee

NASEO Financing Committee Committee Chair, Jeff Pitkin, Treasurer of the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), presented to NASEO’s Financing Committee on NYSERDA’s plan to launch a one billion dollar Green Bank.  Learn More

TENNESSEE COMPANY TO BOOST CLEAN ENERGY ECONOMY

DPI Expands Operations to Meet Demand

Diversified Power International (DPI), a designer and manufacturer of a wide range of products that greatly improves the efficiency of battery-related drive systems, recently began expanding its manufacturing operations to keep up with demand. DPI leveraged funds from the Tennessee Solar Institute, funded by the Tennessee State Energy Office, to upgrade its production facility.  Learn More
SOLAR AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY SECURITIZATION EMERGE
Securitization Pools Loans to Create Consolidated Securities for Investors

Organizations throughout the nation are beginning to securitize solar and energy efficiency loans to allow greater levels of investment. Securitization involves pooling loans to create consolidated securities that investors can purchase. Recently, SolarCity securitized $54.4 million in loans for solar photovoltaic installations. Also, the Green Jobs - Green New York program has achieved a high bond rating for securitized energy efficiency loans. 

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NASEO TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REVIEWS NATURAL GAS VEHICLE INCENTIVE PROGRAMS
Arkansas, Florida, and Schneider Electric Showcase Their Initiatives

On NASEO's recent Transportation Committee call, the Arkansas Energy Office and Florida Energy Office discussed their legislative and programmatic initiatives to deploy natural gas vehicles. Schneider Electric presented on their efforts to deploy electric vehicle charging stations. 

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COMING SOON: HOME ENERGY LABELS WITH COMPARABLE DATA
NASEO Collaborates with Four States to Promote Energy Labels in Residential Market

Alabama, Massachusetts, Virginia, and Washington are engaged in a three-year DOE-funded pilot program to develop and test energy rating labels for homes. Results from the three-year effort are expected by mid-2014. 

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AHRI RELEASES DRAFT REPORT ON
"SMART" SYSTEMS

The Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI) has recently completed a draft white paper which examines demand response, system controls, climate controls, and smart grid communication standards. In addition, it reviews other related industry standards and programs--and discusses the AHRI Ad Hoc Committee's interaction with related industry laboratories. Learn More

CREE'S NEW STREETLIGHT PORTFOLIO CUTS ENERGY USE IN HALF

Cree, Inc. is building on the industry's most versatile LED street light portfolio with the LEDway® High Output (HO) LED street light. With its higher lumen output, the new LEDway HO LED street light enables the LEDway Series to address large multi-lane freeways and expressway applications, easily replacing inefficient High Pressure Sodium (HPS) lighting up to 400W from a single platform. The Cree® LEDway HO LED street light provides highly focused, directional light at nine adjustable lumen output levels, reducing energy consumption by more than 50 percent compared to HPS street lights in most roadway applications. Learn More

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DOE Building Technologies Office Releases 2013 Peer Review Report
Washington Commerce Names Lenders for $14.5 Million Clean Energy Loan Fund
DOE Launches Alternative Fueling Station Locator App
Energy Representatives Hosts Educational Program for Students in Tennessee
EPA Proposes 2014 Renewable Fuel Standards, 2015 Biomass-Based Diesel Volume
Kentucky ENERGY STAR Schools Have Grown from 12 to 233
New Details on UMaine's Offshore Project Released Shortly
Obama Names Acting Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
Utah Public Safety Building is First of its Kind in Country
Volta Opens More Electric Vehicle Charging Stations on Oahu, Maui