

#### NASEO News - October 23, 2015



#### Winter Energy Outlook Presentations and Video Available

### NASEO Launches SEP Website and Releases Accompanying Booklet

NASEO recently released a report on successful State Energy Program activities of the State and Territory Energy Offices.



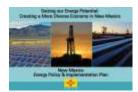
### Missouri Releases 2015 Comprehensive State Energy Plan

On October 15, 2015 the Missouri Department of Economic Development's Division of Energy released the Missouri Comprehensive Statewide Energy Plan.



### New Mexico Releases 2015 Energy Policy and Implementation Plan

At the end of September, 2015, the New Mexico Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources department released the New Mexico Comprehensive State Energy Plan.



# Vermont Releases Public Review Draft of Comprehensive Energy Plan, Seeks Public Input

The Vermont Public Service Department recently released the Public Review Draft of the 2015 Comprehensive Energy Plan.



### **Lieutenant Governor Kicks off Iowa Energy Plan**

The Iowa Partnership for Economic Progress (IPEP) recently held a meeting at Pella Corporation to kick off the Iowa Energy Plan.



### California Offers \$31 Million for ZNE Buildings and Efficient Communities

California is offering up to \$31 million for ZNE building projects and demand-side management for communities.



### California Governor Brown Signs Landmark 50% RPS into Law

On October 7, 2015, California Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. signed landmark legislation SB 350 to establish world-leading energy efficiency and renewable energy goals for the state.



#### **Kentucky Finds Opportunity Using ESPCs for Local Government**

Supported by DOE's State Energy Program, the Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet has established a public facilities energy retrofit program to review ESPCs for local governments.



#### **New Energy Codes Being Implemented Across Montana**

Energy codes adopted by the Montana Department of Labor and Industry are being implemented statewide to make all future home and commercial buildings more energy-efficient.



### Renew Financial Acquires EcoCity to Expand PACE Financing

Renew Financial recently announced that it acquired EcoCity Partners, a leading Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program administrator.



### Renovate America Raises \$90 Million For Home Energy Efficiency

Renovate America recently raised \$90 million for projects including solar arrays and a growing number of technologies to curb water consumption.



## DOE Announces \$34 Million to Improve the Nation's Energy Infrastructure

On October 9, 2015, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) awarded more than \$34 million to the Universities of Arkansas and Illinois to improve the U.S. electric grid and oil and natural gas infrastructure.



### DOE Releases Sector-Specific Appendices to the QER

DOE recently published four sector-specific appendices under the first installment of the Quadrennial Energy Review (QER).



#### DOE Seeking State and City Partners to Improve Building Energy Performance Data Management



Throughout the U.S., state and local governments are implementing policies or voluntary programs that track building performance data to better understand market trends and identify energy investment opportunities.

#### SEE Action Releases Residential Retrofit Report, A Policymaker's Guide to Scaling Home Energy Upgrades

SEE Action, DOE's State and Local Energy Efficiency Network, recently released its residential retrofit report, A Policymaker's Guide to Scaling Home Energy Upgrades.



#### DOC Awards Over \$50,000 to Ohio Energy and Advanced Manufacturing Center

The U.S. Department of Commerce's (DOC) Economic Development Administration (EDA) has awarded \$54,125 to the Ohio Energy and Advanced Manufacturing Center for a study that will explore establishing petro-chemical testing.



## **DOI Approves Wind Leases off New Jersey Coast**

The U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) will lease nearly 344,000 acres of ocean area off the coast of New Jersey for commercial wind energy generation.



### **DOE Releases Winter Heating Fuels and Electricity Markets Report**

DOE's Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability conducted an analysis of fuel and electricity sectors during the winters of 2013-2015 on market behavior and performance.



# Supreme Court Hears Arguments about FERC "Demand-Response" Rule on Electricity Use at Peak Demand

On October 14, 2015, the U.S. Supreme Court heard arguments on FERC's "demand-response" rule requiring power users to be paid for scaling back electricity during peak demand.



#### **AFFILIATES CORNER**

#### PERC Donates \$30,000 to Schools Driving Propane Buses

The Propane Education and Research Council recently started a campaign to teach communities about the benefits of propane-powered transportation in schools.



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#### **MORE NEWS AND UPDATES**

**Amazon Moving Forward on Accommack Solar Farm** 

**Connecticut Utilities Detail Energy Savings Spending Plan** 

Hawaiian Electric Company Proposes New Community Renewables Program

**IMT and ICC Present the 2015 Standard Bearers Awards** 

Rochester, Minnesota, Eyes 100% Renewable Energy by 2031

Tesla Battery Units to Power Office Buildings to Free Up Energy Grid During Peak Hours in California

#### **Upcoming NASEO Events**

NASEO Government Affairs Committee Conference Call: November 12, 2015, 2:30pm-3:30pm ET

NASEO Board of Directors Meeting: December 15-16, 2015 - National Electrical Manufacturers Association, Arlington , VA

NASEO Energy Policy Outlook Conference: February 9-12, 2016 - Fairmont Hotel, Washington, DC

#### **Other Events**

TREIA Annual Conference/GridNEXT, Advancing Clean Energy on the New Texas Grid: November 11-13, 2015 - Westin Galleria, Houston, TX

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