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Last Day to Register for the NASEO Annual Meeting and Getting to Zero National Forum!

In just one more week and a half, NASEO and NBI will convene in Denver to highlight the states' leadership in energy resiliency, economic growth, and sustainability. The event will also showcase the growth of zero net energy policies and projects and discuss the future of these extremely efficient buildings that produce as much energy as they consume over the course of a year. Don't miss this year's dynamic topics and speakers, including these highlights:



40 Years After the Oil Embargo: On a Path to North American Energy Independence

Todd Onderdonk, Senior Energy Advisor, Corporate Strategic Planning, Exxon Mobil Corporation
Scott Nyquist, Director, Oil and Gas Practice, McKinsey & Company
Don McClure, Vice President of Government and Stakeholder Relations and Legal, Encana Oil and Gas (USA) Inc.

Extraordinary and Increasing Threats to Energy Infrastructure: A Fresh Look at Industry and Government Response

Alice Lippert, Senior Technical Advisor, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, U.S. Department of Energy
David Owens, Executive Vice President of Business Operations, Edison Electric Institute
James E. Benton, Executive Director, New Jersey Petroleum Council
Jeff Gunnulfsen, Director, Security and Risk Management, American Fuel & Petrochemical Manufacturers

The Zero Net Energy Landscape: Quantifying Ultra-Efficiency Costs and Benefits in the Built Environment

Ralph DiNola, Executive Director, New Buildings Institute

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Cree Joins NASEO Affiliates Program

NASEO welcomed Cree, a leading manufacturer of LED lighting fixtures and lamps for commercial applications involving public and private institutions, as a new affiliate member this month. As John Casadonte, Product Marketing Manager for Lighting with Cree,

NASEO Events

[Fundamentals of Energy Assurance - Online Training](#)
August 1-September 24, 2013

[Financing Committee Conference Call](#)
September 5, 2013, 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. ET

[NASEO 2013 Annual Meeting](#)
September 15-18, 2013, Denver, CO

[NASEO Government Affairs Conference Call](#)
September 24, 2013, 2:30pm-3:30pm ET

[NASEO Winter Fuels Outlook Conference](#)
October 8, 2013, Washington, DC

[A National Summit on Integrating Energy Efficiency & Smart Grid](#)
October 15-16, 2013, Washington, DC

[2014 Energy Outlook Conference](#)
February 4-7, 2014, Washington, D.C.

Other Events

[FERC Technical Conference on Centralized Capacity Markets](#)
September 25, 2013, Washington, D.C.



explains, "Cree's decision to join NASEO as an affiliate member was driven by the opportunity to educate State Energy Officials of the continuing benefits of LED lighting so they may provide guidance to the many organizations that rely on their services."



DOE Proposes Two Energy Efficiency Rules for Commercial Refrigeration

The U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) newly proposed rules aimed at reducing energy consumption in commercial refrigerators and walk-in coolers and freezers are expected to reduce energy spending by \$28 billion over 30 years and reduce carbon emissions by 350 million metric tons in the same period if made final. The proposed rules

come as part the Obama Administration's Climate Action Plan announced in June 2013.



DOE Announces \$16 Million Investment in Wave and Tidal Energy

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has announced funding for 17 projects which capture energy from waves, tides, and currents. The latest assessments of wave and tidal energy resources conducted by the DOE identified the potential for up to 1400 terawatt hours of generation per year. The \$16 million

invested by DOE will increase power production from wave and tidal sources, and provide more information on how these technologies interact with the surrounding environment.



NREL Study Finds that Cost Gap for Renewable Energy in the West Could Narrow

A new study conducted by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) was commissioned by the U.S. Department of Energy to identify future cost competitiveness of renewable energy in the West. The study found that by 2025, wind and solar electricity generation could

become cost competitive with traditional energy sources without subsidies. The study takes a focused look at the West's most

World Energy Engineering Congress

September 25-27, 2013, Washington, D.C.

Kansas Energy Conference

October 1-2, 2013, Manhattan, KS

Western IEE/CHP Regional Dialogue Meeting

October 29, 2013, Salt Lake City, UT

NAESCO Annual Conference

November 12-13, 2013, Orlando, FL

EnergySMART 2014

March 25-27, 2014, Philadelphia, PA

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productive renewable resource areas, and compares the cost of generation without subsidies to those of natural-gas fired generators.

NASEO's Multifamily Efficiency Task Force Tackles Financing, Data, and Split Incentives

On August 22, NASEO's Multifamily Efficiency Task Force-a collaborative of state energy offices, housing finance agencies, and other experts-convened in Raleigh, North Carolina, to strategize on energy efficiency policies and programs in the multifamily sector.

Launched in early 2013 with support from the Energy Foundation, the task force identified points of entry, policy and market barriers, and collaborative opportunities to increase multifamily retrofits.

Master Limited Partnership Legislation for Renewable Energy Stalls in Congress

The bipartisan legislation aiming to allow Master Limited Partnerships has entered a debate over the renewable energy production tax credit that has stalled the legislation's progress. The debate on a production tax credit is expected to continue, and has been referred to as a pivotal piece of the legislation.

New Jersey Transit, Board of Public Utilities, and DOE to Partner on Transit Reliability Study

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) will be partnering with New Jersey Transit and the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (the energy office) to develop an advanced microgrid system. The Sandia National Laboratory will be assisting NJ Transit on the research to identify methods for increasing reliability and resiliency of the electricity used for rail systems.

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