



Province-wide sustainable energy showcase happening on Saturday, October 5th

Ontario Sustainable Energy Association's Green Energy Doors Open features 66 events

(Ontario, Saturday, October 5) Today 66 sustainable energy champions across Ontario are opening their homes, community buildings and businesses to showcase conservation, renewable energy, combined heat and power, green buildings, clean transportation and other green energy projects as part of the Ontario Sustainable Energy Association's (OSEA) second annual Green Energy Doors Open.

The province-wide event is being held in partnership with 28 leading organizations that support sustainable energy. Today is an opportunity for local individuals, community groups and businesses to share their stories and first-hand knowledge with the public, local leaders and the media.

Ontario has established itself as a leader in sustainable energy in North America. We were the first province to get rid of dirty coal. So far Feed-in-Tariff projects have created more than 28,000 new green jobs and we want to see that trend continue.

"Thanks to Ontario's green energy policy, programs, innovation and entrepreneurs, the province has attracted close to \$30 billion in investment during the global recession," explained Kristopher Stevens, Executive Director of OSEA. "We've attracted new manufacturers all while empowering local residents, farmers, First Nations, municipalities and co-operatives to become conservers and generators of clean, green energy. Energy efficiency and conservation are the keys to driving down our energy bills and the cost of doing business in Ontario."

Green Energy Doors Open allows Ontarians the chance to visit sustainable energy projects free-of-charge to learn about the great things happening in their communities.

To find out about sites in your community visit www.greenenergydoorsopen.ca.

The goal of Green Energy Doors Open is to inspire Ontarians to move toward a greener future for the next generation. Whatever the event, more Ontarians will learn about the benefits of green energy and how easy it is to get involved.

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The Ontario Sustainable Energy Association (OSEA) is Ontario's lead advocate, facilitator and catalyst for sector transformation and the transition to a more sustainable energy economy. It champions policy and regulatory change for a more sustainable society powered, heated, cooled and transported by a portfolio of sustainable energy.

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