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### MEMBERSHIP OUTREACH

We welcome the following new members this month: **Sudberry Properties** has joined CleanTECH San Diego. Sudberry Properties is a San Diego-based real estate development and asset management company specializing in properties in Sustainable Enterprises. They embrace environmental thinking, social responsiveness and concerns for diversity. **Siliken Renewable Energy** joins CleanTECH San Diego's membership after expanding its operations from Spain to San Diego. Siliken provides a turn-key solution with its capacity to design, engineer, install and manufacture renewable solar energy products. We also welcome to the organization **Hewlett Packard. HP** is an information technology corporation headquartered in California and is the largest technology company in the world and operates in nearly every country.

### REGIONAL INITIATIVES

**Climate Research Institute Bill Vetoed By Governor.** Governor Schwarzenegger vetoed SB 1762 (Perata) September 30. If signed, the bill would have created a \$500 million climate research institute. The veto message cites the following rationale: a) the bill is too limiting since it places the entire institute within the UC system thereby ignoring the role that other segments of the higher education system can play; b) the bill should follow, not precede the development of the ARB's Scoping Plan for implementing AB 32, and c) the bill is ill advised in that it prohibits ratepayer funded climate research by other state agencies, which could have the impact of depriving the state of from being able to receive federal funding for projects that must be administered by certain state agencies. As you know, this concept was first introduced earlier this year by the California Public Utilities Commission and was then adopted by the State Senate. Some believe that this initiative will resurface in the new Legislative Session. CleanTECH San Diego has organized a broad based coalition focused on ensuring that San Diego plays a leading role in the Institute and was on record in support of SB 1762. We will continue to keep you apprised of efforts in this area.

**Greenhouse Gas Inventory Released.** USD's Energy and Policy Initiative Center, EPIC recently released *San Diego County Greenhouse Gas Inventory* <http://www.sandiego.edu/epic/ghginventory/documents/0-ESPReport.pdf>. The project is the first comprehensive accounting of greenhouse gas emissions in San Diego County. The report examines sources of emissions in the region from 1990-2006, projections through 2020, and strategies to meet the targets included in AB 32, the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006.

**The Algae Initiative.** CleanTECH San Diego is partnering with the San Diego Regional EDC on a new program to promote the San Diego region as a world leader in the algae industry. This effort is an outgrowth of the July 21 stakeholder meeting. More on this to come....

## **CLEANTECH SAN DIEGO LEADERSHIP EVENT: October 15**

In concert with the SOLAR POWER INTERNATIONAL 2008 conference in mid October, CleanTECH San Diego is hosting a leadership reception on the evening of October 15 from 5:00 – 7:00 pm. This invitation only event will showcase San Diego as a leader in clean technology. Many special guests have already agreed to join us including a delegation from the US Department of Energy, several State officials, Mayors Sanders and Cox and others. The event is sponsored by Kyocera, HP, Siliken Renewable Energy, Latham and Watkins, CONNECT, the EDC, the City of San Diego, Cox Communications, Clean Tech Energy, David Saltman and Camille Sobrian. Space is limited.

[http://www.connect.org/email/affiliate/cleantech/solarpower\\_ctsd.html](http://www.connect.org/email/affiliate/cleantech/solarpower_ctsd.html)

## **POLICY AND ADVOCACY**

The Senate passed a tax extender package which includes an 8-year extension of the 30% commercial and residential solar tax credit including a removal of the \$2,000 residential cap. We note that this is the first time in nine attempts this year that the Senate has been able to garner bipartisan support to pass the renewable energy tax credits with a 93 to 2 vote. The White House has removed its veto threat against the Senate tax package.

## **CAPITAL FORMATION**

The Capital Formation Committee will host its first CleanTECH SCRUB on October 8 at the office of Mintz Levin. The CleanTECH SCRUB is an opportunity for a small set of prescreened early stage companies to present their business case to a group of CleanTECH Board members. We will then provide feedback, guidance and connections to these local companies where appropriate. We have an interesting group of candidate companies and look forward to reporting back on this activity.

## **MEMBER PRESS AND OTHER BRAND AWARENESS ACTIVITIES**

**Synthetic Genomics Wins Award.** *AlwaysOn* presented is “Second Annual GoingGreen 100 Top Private Companies list,” featuring leading private companies in cleantech. This year the Clean Energy category was added and CleanTECH San Diego member Synthetic Genomics was the overall winner. The winners were honored at **GoingGreen**, September 15th-17th at Cavallo Point, San Francisco, CA. They’ll also be featured in AO’s quarterly print “blogzine” and on the AlwaysOn website.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

CleanTECH SCRUB. Office of Mintz Levin October 8.

CleanTECH Leadership Event. Diamond View Towers, October 15, 5:00 – 7:00 pm.

CleanTECH Board Meeting, UCSD, October 21, 7:00 – 9:00 am.

Energy Efficiency Seminar, Cosponsored by CleanTECH San Diego, Sempra, CalCEF and the UC Davis Energy Efficiency Center . San Diego, December 2, 2008.