

Links and Resources

Energy Related Web Sites Government Sites

<http://energystar.gov/> -
Protect our environment for Future Generations - US Environment Protection Agency, US Department of Energy. Understand the energy profiles of products, Home Improvement, Buildings and Plants, and New Homes.

<http://www.eren.doe.gov/consumerinfo/forhome.html> -
"We have made a lot of progress, thanks to good policies here in Washington and the strong response of the market. And now even more dramatic advances are within reach. ...Let us build on the work we have done and reduce gasoline usage in the United States by 20 percent in the next ten years."

<http://www.consumerenergycenter.org/index.html>
- -The Consumer Energy Center went on line in 1995 to offer the public a one-stop site on the Internet for the latest information about energy resources and how to use them wisely in our home, work and vehicles. In March 2006, we unveiled our new website with updated navigation and new features. -During your visit, choose from any of the major topic areas listed in the pull-down menus at the top. - You can also connect directly with our sections offering seasonal consumer tips, "how-to" videos for the consumer and energy professional, and a direct link to information about incentives and rebates.

<http://energyright.com/> - The energy right Program from your local public power company and TVA is designed to help you save money and gain efficiency in your home and business energy usage.

Energy information
about your state - Department of energy database

The Northeast Sustainable Energy Association (NESEA) is the Northeast's leading organization of professionals and concerned citizens working in sustainable energy and whole systems thinking. NESEA facilitates the widespread adoption and use of sustainable energy by providing support to industry professionals and by educating and motivating consumers to learn about, ask for, and adopt sustainable energy and green building practices. NESEA accomplishes this through its Building Energy conference and trade show, K-12 resources, an advocacy network, high profile public events such as the Tour de Sol and the Green Building Open House, its chapters and members, and its Sustainable Green Pages.

RenewableEnergyAccess.com was started in 1998 by a group of Renewable Energy professionals who wanted their work to relate to their passion for renewable energy. With this passion and the desire to create a long term sustainable business, we have created perhaps the single most recognized and trusted source for Renewable Energy News and Information on the Internet.

Utilities Sites - Utilities that are involved with energy and efficiency.

<http://www.socalgas.com/> - Southern California Gas Company - Home Energy and Water Efficiency Survey

Complete the new Home Energy Efficiency and Water Survey and you may receive an energy- and water-saving gift! Rebates Still Available! Take advantage of available money-saving rebates for your home or business. Sign Up for Email News & Offers

For the latest information and special offers on www.socalgas.com/ saving energy and money, sign up for our free email update.

<http://www.fpl.com/> - Florida Power and Light

<http://www.sdge.com/index.shtml> - San Diego Gas and Electric

<http://www.southerncompany.com/>

- To make the river run to the homes and businesses of the South, Southern Company focuses on customer service, community development, and environmental responsibility. Our environmental actions include \$3.1 billion in plant controls to further lower emissions of sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides, and mercury. We're also undertaking projects to make coal-based generation more efficient and clean, to add carbon-free nuclear generation and to champion energy efficiency.

<http://www.pge.com/> - Pacific Gas and Electric

Other Calculators and Tools:

Clean Power Estimator -

Clean Power Estimator™ is an economic evaluation software program the California Energy Commission is licensing for use from Clean Power Research. The program provides California residential and commercial electric customers a personalized estimate of the costs and benefits of investing in a photovoltaic (PV) solar or small wind electric generation system.

The program takes into consideration customer-specific information in order to provide the best estimate of a given system's costs and benefits. This information includes the estimated cost of the particular system under consideration, the customer's location, electric rate schedules, and other customer information.

List of Decision-Making Tools from the U.S. Department of Energy

http://www1.eere.energy.gov/solar/decision_tools.html

FindSolar.Com Solar Estimator - The Solar Estimator is meant only to give you an idea of price, savings and system size.

<http://www.findsolar.com/>

The CECPV Calculator is a detailed hourly calculation tool based on the 5-parameter model developed by Dr. Beckman's group at the University of Wisconsin, incorporating detailed inverter performance modeling and uses the weather data from the 16 climate zones in California

Here are some decision-making tools to aid you in the process of learning about and using energy-efficient and solar electric technologies and products. Your home's energy efficiency is very important; because energy efficiency reduces the costs of energy use, it should be taken into consideration as you decide on the best solar electric power system for your needs. In fact, we recommend making your house as energy efficient as possible before considering a photovoltaic or PV system, because then you might not need such a large system, especially for heating and cooling.

Consumer Software for Residential Energy Analysis

This list of computer software programs can help you analyze your home's energy use and the impact of energy-efficient design features.

Database of State Incentives for Renewable Energy (DSIRE)

DSIRE is a comprehensive source of information on state, local, and selected federal incentives that promote renewable energy.

Economics of Solar Pool Heaters

Here are some resources on installing a solar pool-heating system, including financing and incentives, solar resources, orientation of the pool and collector, and state and community codes.

Energy Savers: Tips on Saving Energy and Money at Home

This online guide can help you make your home more energy efficient.

Energy Star® Home Improvement Toolbox

These tools can help you save money and energy when remodeling, repairing, or improving your home.

Energy Star® Products

Here's
a list of appliances, electronics, and building products that meet
Energy Star's rigorous energy efficiency requirements.