



**95 U.S. House Members Sign on in Support of  
FY'18 Funding for SEP and WAP**

**Sixth Annual Governor's Utah Energy  
Development Summit: Discount  
Available to NASEO Members**

Under the leadership of Governor Gary Herbert, the Sixth Annual Energy Development Summit will chart new paths for the sector's responsible growth at home and abroad. The two-day conference and trade show is expected to draw more than 1,200 attendees, with a special discount available to NASEO members.



**Governor McAuliffe Praises Solar Job  
Growth in Virginia**

A new study has found Virginia's solar job market grew 65 percent in 2016. The Solar Foundation's report, praised by Governor Terry McAuliffe, said Virginia is tied for ninth in country for fastest solar job growth last year and there were more than 3,200 solar jobs in the state last year.



**NASEO and AFPM Sign MOU on Energy  
Emergency Planning and Response**

NASEO signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the American Fuel and Petrochemical Manufacturers (AFPM) to enhance cooperation between the two organizations on energy emergency planning, mitigation and response activities.



## DOE Releases "Liberty Eclipse" Exercise After-Action Summary and Findings

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) released key findings, proposed actions, and recommendations from "Liberty Eclipse," a multi-state cyber-energy emergency exercise co-hosted by DOE and NASEO.



## NASEO Publishes Energy Efficiency Pathway Templates for States

NASEO has published, with the support of the U.S. Department of Energy, a set of Energy Efficiency Pathway Templates, to help State Energy Offices work with state air quality regulators and others.



## NASEO Releases VW Beneficiary Mitigation Plan Toolkit

NASEO's Volkswagen Settlement Beneficiary Mitigation Plan Toolkit is a resource for State Energy Offices, State Environmental Agencies, and others to use as they develop their plans.



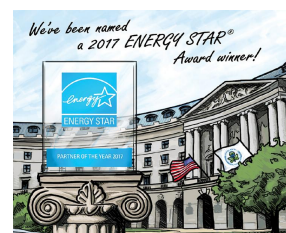
## Mississippi's Houston High School Solar Car Race Team's Sundancer Featured in IMAX Film

The Houston High School Solar Car Race Team, from Houston, Mississippi, traveled to Washington, D.C., recently for the premier of the IMAX film Dream Big: Engineering Our World, where the team and its solar car is featured in the film.



## NYSERDA Awarded 2017 ENERGY STAR® Partner of the Year - Sustained Excellence Award

The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) has been selected for the 2017 ENERGY STAR® Partner of the Year - Sustained Excellence Award. This is the twelfth consecutive year NYSERDA has earned this honor for its continued leadership in protecting the



## Governor's Energy Office Releases Heating Season in Review for State of Maine

The Governor's Energy Office (GEO) in Maine conducted its weekly heating fuel price survey and found the current statewide average cash price for No. 2 heating oil was \$2.17 per gallon, a decline of nine cents from mid-March.



## Net-Zero Energy Communities on the Rise

In the residential space, NZE homes and communities are on the rise. The latest example is from Utah, where on January 24, 2017 the Governor's Office of Energy Development, Salt Lake City Sustainability Department, and other partners joined Living Zenith, Redfish Builders and Wheeler Machinery Co. to cut the ribbon for the state's first NZE community.



## EIA Releases Summer 2017 Short-Term Energy Outlook

According to the latest U.S. Energy Information Administration Short-Term Energy Outlook, electricity generation fueled by natural gas is expected to decrease from last summer, but will continue to exceed that of any other fuel, including coal-fired generation, for the third summer in a row.



## NEER Input and Comments Sought

The National Energy Efficiency Registry (NEER) project team- led by State Energy Offices from Tennessee, Georgia, Michigan, Minnesota, Oregon, and Pennsylvania-is pleased to release the draft NEER Principles and Operating Rules for public comment and feedback.



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### Data from PERC Shows 2016 Propane Autogas Vehicle Sales Outshine 2015 Figures

Propane autogas vehicle sales increased by almost 8 percent in 2016 compared with 2015 sales figures, according to data



## **NREL: Solar STAT Blog**

The Solar STAT blog discusses state and local efforts to develop solar markets in the United States. With support from the Energy Department's SunShot Initiative, NREL's Solar Technical Assistance Team (STAT) authors weekly posts related to events, solar policy analysis, and technical assistance outcomes for the purpose of informing the market in a credible and timely fashion.



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## **MORE NEWS AND UPDATES**

### **Upcoming NASEO Meetings**

**NASEO Regional Meetings Series: May-June, 2017**

**NASEO 2017 Summer Board of Directors Meeting: July 18-19, 2017 - Arlington, VA**

**NASEO 2017 Annual Meeting: September 17-20, 2017 - Hilton New Orleans Riverside, New Orleans, LA**

### **Upcoming NASEO Conference Calls and Webinars**

**NASEO Government Affairs Committee Call: May 18, 2017, 2:30-3:30pm ET**

**NASEO Energy Security Committee Conference Call: June 27, 2017, 3:00pm-4:00pm ET**

### **Other Events**

**Save the Date: National Energy Codes Conference 2017: July 17-20, 2017, Pittsburgh, PA**

**2017 Grid Evolution Summit - A National Town Meeting: July 25 - 27, 2017, Washington, DC**

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