



## New Jersey Board of Public Utilities

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### **BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES RECOGNIZES NAUTILUS SOLAR ENERGY, LLC FOR CLEAN ENERGY EFFORTS**

*Summit, NJ-based Solar Development Company is honored with  
2009 NJ Clean Energy Leadership Award – Trade Ally of the Year*

(ATLANTIC CITY, NJ) – On October 21, 2009, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU) announced the winners of the 2009 New Jersey Clean Energy Leadership Awards in seven categories at a dinner held during this year's New Jersey Clean Energy Conference in Atlantic City. Receiving the prestigious Trade Ally Award was Nautilus Solar Energy, LLC.

The Trade Ally of the Year Award was open to New Jersey-based suppliers, retailers, designers and installers, and recognizes an organization for its part in driving the growth of green jobs and for supporting the clean energy infrastructure.

"Nautilus Solar Energy, LLC was selected as the Trade Ally Award winner for its solid record of energy savings and creation of green jobs. The company distinguishes itself in two critical ways. Firstly, it provides innovative financing plans which allow customers the ability to purchase solar electricity at a price that is lower than their current utility rate. Secondly, the company has supported growth of the industry with an intensive outreach and education plan," said Commissioner Nicholas Asselta just prior to presenting the Trade Ally Award to Laura Stern, President of Nautilus Solar Energy, LLC.

The NJ Clean Energy Leadership Awards were created to honor the individuals, local and county governments, businesses, institutions and organizations that have improved New Jersey's economic competitiveness and its environment through the effective and innovative use of energy efficiency and renewable technologies. Through New Jersey's Clean Energy Program, which has provided nearly \$900 million dollars to Garden State businesses, residents and municipalities since its inception in 2001, the state has emerged as a national leader and one of the fastest growing clean energy markets in the country.

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Additional award winners announced at the 2009 NJ Clean Energy Conference in Atlantic City on October 21 included HelpLight NJ – *Outreach Partner of the Year*; Petra Solar – *Market Innovator of the Year*; Bergen County Utilities Authority – *Local Government Partner of the Year*; Rutgers University – *Energy Educator of the Year*; Harrah's Entertainment – *Business Leader of the Year*; Daniel Cohen – *Clean Energy Advocate of the Year*.

For more details on the 2009 New Jersey Clean Energy Leadership Awards or information on clean energy incentives for school districts, local governments, businesses and residents, visit [www.NJCleanEnergy.com](http://www.NJCleanEnergy.com) or call 1-866-NJSMART.

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**About the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPUL):**

*The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities is a state agency and regulatory authority mandated to ensure safe, adequate, and proper utility services at reasonable rates for New Jersey customers. Critical services regulated by the NJBPUL include natural gas, electricity, water, wastewater, telecommunications and cable television. The Board has general oversight responsibility for monitoring utility service, responding to consumer complaints, and investigating utility accidents. To find out more about the NJBPUL, visit our web site at [www.nj.gov/bpu](http://www.nj.gov/bpu).*

**About the New Jersey Clean Energy Program (NJCEP):**

*New Jersey's Clean Energy Program, established on January 22, 2003 in accordance with the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act (EDECA), provides financial and other incentives to the State's residential customers, businesses and schools that install high-efficiency or renewable energy technologies, thereby reducing energy usage, lowering customers' energy bills and reducing environmental impacts. The program is authorized and overseen by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU), and its website is [www.njcleanenergy.com](http://www.njcleanenergy.com).*