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Christie Administration Announces National Contractor Recognition

TRENTON, N.J.— The Christie Administration recently announced that fourteen New Jersey contractors under New Jersey's Clean Energy Program will be honored with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) 2014 Century Award, which recognizes contractors who have completed 100 or more comprehensive Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® projects in one year.

The BPU and the participating contractors will be recognized for their commitment to energy efficiency, and specifically for the accomplishments of the residential energy efficiency retrofit program, Home Performance with ENERGY STAR. Home Performance with ENERGY STAR helps homeowners save up to 30% on their energy bills by having energy efficient upgrades installed in their homes by Building Performance Institute (BPI) Gold Star contractors. The program provides significant incentives in addition to low interest loans to New Jersey residents.

"The best way to lower individual energy bills and collective energy rates is to use less energy," said Richard Mroz, President of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities. "These accomplishments demonstrated this Administration's continued commitment to energy efficiency as we continue our efforts to reduce the cost of energy for all ratepayers."

Overall in 2014, New Jersey accounted for nearly 14% of all Home Performance with ENERGY STAR projects completed nationwide, completing 5,508 projects of the 39,599 projects completed nationally. In New Jersey 91% of the projects completed in 2014 are achieving 25% or more in estimated total energy savings. The program claimed 15,309 metric tons of carbon dioxide savings or the equivalent of taking 3,223 passenger vehicles off the road. The fourteen contractors who were honored with the Century Award, representing just 12% of the total NJ HPwES contractor base, delivered 70% of the program's completions in 2014.

Contractor Organization	Number of Jobs in 2014	Century Club National
		Ranking
Allied Construction*	1,258	3
Hutchinson Plumbing, Heating &	440	23
Cooling*		
Mark Group of New Jersey, Inc.*	409	25
BC Express Inc.*	225	53
Building Sciences LLC*	225	54
Laury Heating Cooling, LLC*	219	56
Energy Analysis Group LLC*	205	59
Home Energy Matters, Inc.*	163	77

The Insulation Group	136	94
Mid-State Heating & Cooling*	129	102
Rubino Service Co.*	121	111
Arctic Air Conditioning	109	124
Bovio Heating Plumbing Cooling	104	129
Insulation*		
Alber Service Company*	102	131

^{*}Denotes previous award winners.

New Jersey's Clean Energy Program provides financial and other incentives to the state's residential customers, businesses and local governments that install high-efficiency or renewable energy technologies. These programs are administered by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

For more information about the NJBPU or its Clean Energy Programs, visit NJCleanEnergy.com or call 866-NJSMART.

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About the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU)

The NJBPU 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 NJBPU 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 NJBPU, visit our web site at www.nj.gov/bpu.

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

NJCEP, 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 (NJBPU), and its website is www.NJCleanEnergy.com.

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