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ACI Awards Banquet Honors Building Science and Home Performance Professionals

New Jersey Contractors and Businesses in the Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy, and Green Building Industries are Recognized

(ATLANTIC CITY, NJ) – The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) and *New Jersey's Clean Energy Program*TM (NJCEP) announced the winners of the 2010 Affordable Comfort Inc. (ACI) Excellence in New Jersey Home Performance Awards. The awards were presented at a banquet following the first day of the 2010 ACI New Jersey Home Performance Conference.

“We are proud to have such strong representation of New Jersey builders, contractors and installers in the clean energy industry,” said BPU President Lee A. Solomon. “New Jersey is on the forefront of the green building industry and will continue to help residents save money, energy and the environment.”

Awards were presented as follows:

New Jersey ENERGY STAR[®] Homes Awards:

- *Outstanding Commitment to Affordable Housing*, based on the greatest number of affordable New Jersey ENERGY STAR Homes: **Community Investment Strategies, Inc.**
- *Excellence in Energy Performance – Production Builders*, based on the lowest average home energy rating score, combined with lighting and appliance energy savings: **RPM Development Group**
- *Excellence in Energy Performance – Custom Builders*, based on the lowest average home energy rating score, combined with lighting and appliance energy savings: **Godsil Construction, Inc.**

New Jersey Home Performance with ENERGY STAR Awards:

- *Outstanding Achievement*, based on performance-based strategies, which maximized the quality, consistency and effectiveness of energy-related home improvements; produced high job volume; created job opportunities; and facilitated training to expand the knowledge and skill set of contractors: **Hutchinson Plumbing Heating Cooling**

- *Exemplary Commitment to Assisted Home Performance*, based on the highest number of Assisted Home Performance completions: **BC Express, Inc.**
- *Excellence in Energy Savings*, based on the highest estimated savings per job: **Optimal Energy, Inc.**

Comfort Partners Awards:

- *Outstanding Energy Savings and Quality of Work*, based on the highest estimated energy savings and highest inspection ratings per home: **CMC Energy Services**
- *Excellence in New Initiatives*, based on outstanding promotion of Comfort Partners 2009 Pilot measures in the highest number of homes: **Honeywell Utility Solutions**
- *Vanguard Award*, awarded for the most comprehensive work performed in a home, based on maximized measure installations: **EIC/Comfort Home**

COOLAdvantage and WARMAdvantage Awards:

- *Outstanding Achievement*, based on the greatest number of completed WARMAdvantage jobs: **PSE&G**
- *Outstanding Achievement*, based on the greatest number of completed COOLAdvantage jobs: **Air Group, LLC**

Renewable Energy Award:

- *Outstanding Achievement*, based on the greatest number of residential completed solar installations: **Trinity Solar**

The conference, hosted by the BPU and NJCEP, was held at the Trump Plaza Hotel in Atlantic City. Focused on contractors, installers and builders, the event included two days of educational sessions, with speakers from the energy efficiency, renewable energy and green building industries.

For more information about *New Jersey's Clean Energy Program* and the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities 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.