

Agenda: Solar Workshop

Solar as a Sustainability Approach in the Metropolitan Washington Region

October 6, 2011; 777 North Capitol Street NE, Suite 300; Washington, DC

8:30am – Networking Continental Breakfast

9:00am – Welcome and Introductions

Jay Fisette, Arlington County Board

9:20-10:20am – Update on Solar in the Metropolitan Washington Region

Moderators: Lee Keshishian, SolarCity
Blaine Collison, U.S. EPA Green Power Partnership

- Regional Goals and Market Update
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Staff
Ken Stadlin, K Energy Solar
- Solar Development Priorities in Our Region
Ben Foster, Optony Inc.
Scott Sklar, The Stella Group
Tony Clifford, Standard Solar
- Group Discussion

10:30am-Noon – What's Holding Us Back? How Do We Break Through the Regulatory and Institutional Barriers? Options for State and Local Officials

Moderator: Chad Laurent, Meister Consultants Group

Panelists: Chris Cook, Keyes and Fox/IREC
Mike Healy, Skyline Innovations
Joe MacDonald, American Planning Association

- Streamlined Solar Permitting and Inspection Processes
- Solar-Ready Building Guidelines
- Solar Access and Solar Rights Laws
- Interconnection

12:00-1:00pm – Lunch (provided)

Presentation: Scott Sklar, The Stella Group

1:00-2:00pm – How Do We Own and Pay for It? Options for Solar Project Ownership and Financing

Moderators: Bill Updike and/or Nina Albert, District Department of Environment

Panelists : Amy Heinemann, North Carolina Solar Center
Francis Hodsoll, MDV-SEIA/EE Frontiers
Stephen Pearlman, Inglesino, Pearlman, Wyciskala & Taylor LLC
Joe Wiedman, Keyes and Fox/IREC

- Third-Party Residential Financing Models
- Residential Solar Leasing, PPAs
- Community Solar and Interfaith Energy
- CREBs, QECBs
- PACE, Low-Interest Loans
- Incentives, Feed-in Tariffs

2:00-2:30pm - Wrap Up and Next Steps

(over)



Solar Technology Forum

2:30-4:00pm

Immediately following the workshop, interact with industry experts from the MD-DC-VA Solar Energy Industry Association as they display and discuss the different aspects of the solar industry – manufacturers, installers and developers, financiers, and professional services. Representatives from U.S. Department of Energy's Solar America Communities program will also be present.



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