

## **New Jersey's First Wind Energy Project Previewed in Atlantic City**

*Community Energy and Atlantic County Utilities Authority  
honor state's renewable energy leaders*

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**Atlantic City, NJ** - Against the backdrop of a 115-foot fiberglass wind turbine blade and the city skyline, representatives from the Atlantic County Utilities Authority (ACUA), wind energy developer/marketer Community Energy, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU), environmental groups, and local officials, offered a preview of New Jersey's first utility scale wind power project.

The Atlantic City Wind Farm, scheduled to begin construction later this year at the ACUA Wastewater Treatment Facility, will be visible from downtown Atlantic City and the Atlantic City Expressway. The five state of the art wind turbines are expected to produce almost 20 million kilowatt hours of emission-free electricity each year. The wind turbine blade on display today is one of three that spins atop a modern windmill, identical to those to be used at ACUA's new wind farm. A grant from the BPU will help offset design and construction costs of the wind farm.

"This is an exciting project," said Richard S. Dovey, ACUA president. "Not only are we reducing electricity costs and reducing our dependence on fossil fuels, we are also helping to demonstrate the feasibility of green power to the region."

According to Brent Alderfer, President of Community Energy, "It is exciting and rewarding to work with a community dedicated to bringing the first wind energy project to the state. We commend and thank the many leaders here today who have helped move forward this source of clean, homegrown energy in New Jersey."

"As America's electrical demand continues to rise, we must add capacity through a diversified energy portfolio," said Jeanne Fox, President of the BPU. "Wind is an important part of that portfolio and one of the answers to our energy needs of tomorrow, that is why we are investing in wind energy for New Jersey."

*Community Energy, Inc. (CEI) is the leading retail marketer of wind-generated power nationally. CEI markets power from most of the wind farms in the mid-Atlantic and New York. CEI partners with utilities to offer a wind energy choice directly to retail electric customers. CEI is a for-profit corporation founded in 1999 with the mission to ignite the market and develop the supply of wind and other fuel-free energy sources. CEI cites its retail customers, which include many of the largest purchasers of wind energy in the country, as the reason for its success in bringing wind energy to market in new regions of the country. CEI has wind projects under development in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New England, New York, and Illinois.*

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The Atlantic County Utilities Authority is responsible for enhancing the quality of life through the protection of waters and lands from pollution by providing responsible waste management services. The Authority is an environmental leader and will continue to use new technologies, innovations and employee ideas to provide the highest quality and most cost effective environmental services.

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