



The Bottom Line: Virginia Energy Efficiency News + Views

VAEEC.ORG | November 30, 2015

News and Resources

[A Texas utility offers nighttime special: free electricity](#) (New York Times)

[Here's what happened at Greenbuild 2015](#) (GreenBiz.com)

[PACE doesn't put lenders at risk, study finds](#) (Greentech Media)

[Virginia, 17 other states support Clean Power Plan](#) (Richmond Times-Dispatch)

[Norfolk, pushed by sea-level rise, rethinking the future of the city](#) (Virginian-Pilot)

Comment on EPA's Clean Energy Incentive Program by 12/15

When the EPA Clean Power Plan rule was finalized this summer, they announced the Clean Energy Incentive Program (CEIP) which allows states to receive double credit for energy efficiency and renewable projects in low-income communities. The EPA is currently accepting comments on the CEIP through December 15.

[Get details here](#) and make your voice heard.

Fall Meeting Recap



Our new Executive Director Chelsea Harnish presided over her first meeting November 12th and outlined a vision that includes VAEEC establishing itself as a trusted source of information for decision-makers and offering more networking and member resources.

The meeting was packed with timely speakers, from Mike Dowd with the Department of Environmental Quality who gave an update on the EPA's Clean Power Plan to Opower's Marisa Uchin who presented on energy efficiency policies and programs taking place in other states.

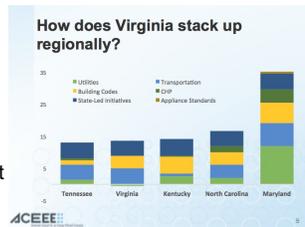
Read Chelsea's [recap of the meeting](#) or go straight to our [Resources page](#) to download the presentations.



ACEEE State Scorecard

News of the annual ACEEE State Energy Efficiency Scorecard is always a popular item in our e-newsletters. Not surprisingly, the presentation by Mary Shoemaker at the fall meeting met with rave reviews.

As we all work hard together to advance energy efficiency in the Commonwealth, we're pleased to see Virginia move up four spots to #31. But we recognize, as Mary noted, that we don't yet match up in our region and have plenty of room for improvement.



If you missed it, check out her full presentation on our [Resources page](#). Or take a look at ACEEE's [State score sheet](#) for Virginia or [download the scorecard](#) with the full rankings.

The VAEEC is a broad coalition whose mission is to assess and support programs, innovation, best practices and policies that advance energy efficiency in Virginia and to provide a forum for stakeholder interaction.