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News and Resources

[Governor signs clean energy jobs legislation \(NBC29\)](#)

[Congress passes bipartisan bill to improve energy efficiency \(New York Times\)](#)

[In Colorado, a utility plan to embrace energy efficiency and solar without sacrificing revenue \(Greentech Media\)](#)

[Bewildered energy consumers no more? \(Energy Efficiency Markets\)](#)

Featured Member of the Month



[PEG's](#) "Tactical Technical" mission is to provide world class engineering and environmental consulting for the THINKING ENVIRONMENT.

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Governor Signs Energy Efficiency Legislation

Governor McAuliffe chose Earth Day 2015 as the fitting time to sign several pieces of clean energy legislation into law, including a pair of bills promoting energy efficiency. The VAEEC was well-represented at the event with a number of member representatives joining the celebration.

The new clean energy laws include two VAEEC priorities: Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) financing, and a clarification to the Conservation and Ratemaking Efficiency (CARE) Act which regulates the state's natural gas utilities.



[Read more about the legislation.](#)

The legislation will be featured topics on the agenda at the Spring VAEEC Meeting. [Register now.](#)

Spring Meeting Registration Open

Make sure you reserve a spot for the biannual VAEEC meeting coming up on May 11 at the Science Museum of Virginia in Richmond. Thanks to Dominion Virginia Power for sponsoring the meeting.

Topics and speakers on the agenda:

- PACE Financing Legislation (Bill Greenleaf, Virginia Community Capital, and Abby Johnson, Abacus Property Solutions)
- Gas Utility Legislation (Gina Slaunwhite, Columbia Gas of Virginia)
- Clean Power Plan (Mary Shoemaker, ACEEE)
- Utilities Update (Tom Jewell, Dominion Virginia Power)
- VAEEC Update / Census Results (Ken Rosenfeld, VAEEC)
- EnergyStar Partner of the Year (Matthew Cooper, PEG)
- EE and Affordable Rental Housing (Bob Adams, Housing Virginia)

Register Now.

Congrats to VAEEC members honored as 2015 ENERGY STAR 2015 Partner of the Year

A hearty round of applause for VAEEC members Loudoun County Public Schools and PEG, recipients of the 2015 ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year Award. They were among just 128 businesses and organizations in the country to win the prestigious award.



PEG was honored with the Home Energy Rater Award for its outstanding efforts to bring more energy-efficient homes to market through its actions. [Read more about PEG's award.](#)

Loudoun County Public Schools was honored with the Sustained Excellence Award after being recognized as a Partner of the Year several years. The school district was also named to EPA's Certification Nation for having more than 15 ENERGY STAR buildings. [Read more about LCPS' award.](#)

Congratulations, and thanks for leading the way!

Two Webinars TOMORROW 4/30

All about Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds (QECBs)

Join SEEA, the Energy Programs Consortium, Bank of America and the Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy to learn more about QECBs, the remaining allocations in the Southeast and the opportunity they represent for Green Community Programs.

Speakers:

Elizabeth Bellis and Susan Rosenthal, Energy Programs Consortium
Geoff Culm, Bank of America
Al Christopher, Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy
Sara Telano, Southeast Energy Efficiency Alliance

April 30th, 2015 -- 2:00pm-3:00pm EST

[Register now.](#)

U.S. Department of Energy Webinar for Evaluators and Utilities Early Replacement Program for Refrigerators

Presentation by: Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers

DOE is hosting a webinar, presented by the Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM), for evaluators and utilities to review a rebate program for the early replacement of refrigerators. AHAM's proposal builds on traditional appliance rebate programs undertaken at the state level, but calls for explicitly linking purchase and disposal rebates in order to enhance energy savings and reduce greenhouse gas emissions (GHG), simplify program management, and streamline EM&V efforts.

A good webinar for evaluators who participate in utility efficiency programs as well as utility managers, public utility commission staff, efficiency advocates, and state energy and environmental officials.

April 30th, 2015 – 1:00pm-2:30pm EST

[Register now.](#)