

# News



#### NABCEP Champion

NABCEP is very proud to welcome SMA America as our first NABCEP Champion. With SMA's support NABCEP will be able to continue hosting CE Conferences, producing resource and study guides and engage in other activities that further our mission and goals.

In announcing this partnership, Don Warfield, NABCEP's Chairperson said; "SMA exemplifies true leadership for this industry, and we are very pleased to have them on board as a major partner and sponsor. We hope that other dynamic organizations will join them as NABCEP sponsors."



## NABCEP Announces 2013 Continuing Education Conference

The second annual NABCEP Continuing Education conference will run from Friday, March 8 through March 10, 2013 at California State University Sacramento. The campus is home to the California Smart Grid Center.

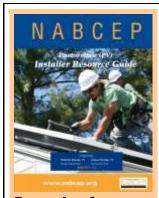
The conference will offer NABCEP Certified Installers and Technical Sales Professionals an opportunity to fulfill all CE requirements for re-certification at a single event. Conference registrants will be offered workshops on the National Electric Code (NEC), finance, safety and emerging fire codes as well as manufacturer product training.

NABCEP welcomes SMA America as the lead sponsor of this year's conference. Jurgen Krehnke, president and general manager of <u>SMA America</u> and president of <u>SMA Canada</u> said, "With our ongoing commitment to training and education, partnering with NABCEP is a natural fit. Together, we have a shared mission to promote industry growth through programs that support quality assurance in the sales and installation process. This conference is an important step in realizing that mission."

To learn more about the conference visit the <u>NABCEP website</u>.

# First NABCEP Accredited PV Installation Company

The North American Board of Certified Energy Practitioners (NABCEP) is very pleased to announce that Renova Energy Corp of Palm Desert, California is the first NABCEP Accredited PV Installation Company.



### Preparing for the Exam? Use FREE Resources from NABCEP

We offer Resource/Study Guides for candidates who are preparing for the Certified Solar PV and Solar Heating Installer Exams. Both handbooks were authored by widely recognized subject matter experts and are used as primary resources by their respective exam committees. NABCEP Resource Guides are also widely used by educators when developing training materials.

NABCEP resources

#### **NABCEP Store**

Want to show off your support of NABCEP, or perhaps get some new personalized shirts with your "NABCEP Certified" logo? The NABCEP Store is the place to go.

Ezra Auerbach, Executive Director of NABCEP, says; "Earning the NABCEP Company Accreditation is a major accomplishment for Renova Energy Corp. In order to achieve this accreditation they had to demonstrate a company wide commitment to quality assurance throughout the sales, installation, and after-sale process." He continues; "Our entire organization congratulates the team at Renova Energy Corp. They were a pleasure to work with during the application process and we were especially impressed with the results of the third-party inspections of their PV systems where they obtained a close to perfect score."

Vincent Battaglia, CEO and President of Renova Energy Corp reports, "It is an immense honor as well as a great responsibility for Renova to be the first company to achieve NABCEP Company Accreditation. We feel strongly that this accreditation is needed as a cornerstone standard for consumers, end users, financiers, manufacturers and believers of solar. We are proud and excited to be the first company to achieve this accreditation."

NABCEP's Chairperson, Don Warfield, says, "This program an important step for NABCEP, we hold consumer protection as one of our core values. Renova Energy Corp has shown that it shares these values by making the effort to attain Company Accreditation. I look forward to many more companies following suit and joining them in the ranks of NABCEP Accredited PV Installation companies."

More information on the Company Accreditation Program, as well as an application, can be found on the NABCEP on the NABCEP website at <a href="http://www.nabcep.org/company-accreditation">http://www.nabcep.org/company-accreditation</a>.



### **Solar Power International Conference (SPI)**

We hope to see many of you at SPI. Visit us at Booth #2158. This is a great opportunity to meet our staff, learn what's new at NABCEP and receive your new NABCEP safety orange hat. These hats are designed to make you visible on any job site. A special note of thanks to SMA for producing the hats for NABCEP.



**About NABCEP:** The North American Board of Certified Energy Practitioners (NABCEP) is the most respected, well-established, and widely recognized national certification organization for solar professionals in the field of renewable energy. NABCEP is a volunteer board of representatives who are chosen based on their experience and involvement in the solar energy industry. NABCEP's mission is to develop and implement quality credentialing and certification programs for practitioners by supporting and working closely with professionals and stakeholders in the renewable energy and energy efficiency industries. To learn more visit <a href="https://www.nabcep.org">www.nabcep.org</a>

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