NABCEP Partners with SolarTech for Solar Leadership Summit 2011

In conjunction with corporate, investor, and national and state policymakers, NABCEP and SolarTech are partnering to identify a wide spectrum of tools and best practices that improve local markets for the solar industry and for consumers.

You are cordially invited to join SolarTech and NABCEP on March 29th and 30th in Silicon Valley as we work toward market-based solutions to accelerate solar's permanent place in the U.S. energy mix. Be at the table and help us develop actionable tools in response to issues ranging from financing, permitting, performance, workforce readiness, installation, interconnection, and energy efficiency. If you register before March 15 you can get a 20% discount by using the code NABCEP2011.

Ezra Auerbach, NABCEP's executive director, will be participating as a moderator in a session aimed at looking at the value of certification as a tool to lower overall life cycle costs by improving quality installations and sales processes. For more information on the summit or to register to attend please visit www.calsolarsummit.org.



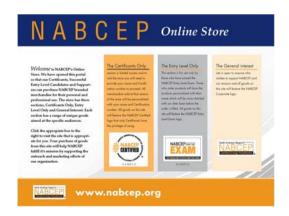
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We are pleased to announce that Trojan Batteries, a leading supplier of batteries to the renewable energy market, has become a Silver Level Sponsor of NABCEP. Trojan's sponsorship of NABCEP credentialing initiatives supports the continued development of industry standards for certification of photovoltaic (PV) system professionals. Certification ensures that PV practitioners have demonstrated the proper knowledge and training to effectively specify, build, and install PV systems. It is in the best interest of the PV marketplace that consumers have access to certified PV professionals to ensure their systems function properly, as well as preserve the longevity of the batteries that may power those systems.

"As the renewable energy market continues its rapid growth, demand for skilled installation professionals will continue to be needed," said Dean Middleton, Trojan director of renewable energy sales, Americas. "Trojan's sponsorship of NABCEP will assist in expanding the knowledge and expertise of renewable energy system professionals, which will greatly support the adoption of alternative energy applications. The more qualified the installer is, the less failures in the field."

"Trojan has a long history of leadership in the renewable energy marketplace and the company's generous support of NABCEP is one more example of its commitment to continuous improvement and growth of the industry," said Ezra Auerbach, executive director of NABCEP. "Trojan already has an excellent relationship with our organization and its installer training on batteries is a valuable contribution to the continuing education of our certified professionals."

To read the complete press release issued by Trojan visit http://www.nabcep.org/news/trojan-battery-sponsors-nabcep.



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About NABCEP: The North American Board of Certified Energy Practitioners (NABCEP) is the most respected, well established, and widely recognized national certification organization for professional installers 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 www.nabcep.org.