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Mayor Berry unveils National's PV Solar Array System during Renewable Energy Extravaganza

ALBUQUERQUE, New Mexico (June, 2010) Going green is more than an expression at National Electric, it's become part of their business philosophy. June 15th kicks off a renewable energy extravaganza of events with a photovoltaic training course, a tour for NAED's Survival of the Leanest and Greenest 2010 Women in Industry Forum, a ribbon cutting ceremony hosted by Mayor Richard Berry and A Whole New Ballgame Grand Slam event, which includes a renewable and energy efficient product showcase followed by a night out at the ball park with the Isotopes.

Each event centers on how renewable and energy efficient products will change the way the electrical industry can do business.

"National Electric corporately believes in our responsibility as an environmental steward and in the reduction of our energy use. We are fully committed to renewable and sustainable energy technologies and the products our customers use. Our hope is this showcase of products and services will support the use, growth, and development of green energy technologies in our state," remarked Rocklan Lawrence, President-CEO.

First in the lineup of activities is the 2 ½ day course on Installing Photovoltaic Systems taught by Jim Dunlop, author of the widely used textbook, Photovoltaic Systems. This program orients electrical contractors and industry professionals with the specification, design and installation of code-compliant utility-interactive PV systems. The goal is to develop system-knowledgeable professionals in the electrical industry to positively affect the safety, quality and consumer acceptance of PV installations, and to create opportunities in the rapidly growing solar power markets. The training program begins June 15th and culminates June 17th at National's renewable and energy efficient product showcase. For more information on how you can participate in this program please call 505-345-3577.

Next up to bat, is A Whole New Ballgame Grand Slam Event June 17th from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Key vendors will offer participants a "hands" on display of a variety of energy efficient products and solutions. Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNM) will also be available as a Q&A resource on utility rebate

opportunities and renewable energy programs. A special ribbon cutting ceremony hosted by Mayor Richard Berry will officially kick off National's new PV solar array system, the largest of its kind in New Mexico as of commissioning 12/29/2009. With over 95,000 square feet of roof space, this project not only provides energy and cost savings to National, but it gives others in the community a place to observe a system of this magnitude in operation. Topping off the evening's festivities will be a BBQ dinner and a night out with the Isotopes at the baseball park.

National Electric truly places a high value on providing training and education to their customers. Its facility was built to offer continuous training and education with the goal of helping its customers succeed in the new markets of renewable energy. National has made a commitment to bring in industry experts to educate, train and provide renewable energy product information. Recently, National was asked to participate in NAED's Survival of the Leanest and Greenest 2010 Women in Industry Forum by providing a tour of its facility as part of their program.

"Naturally this was a great fit for what we were already offering the electrical industry with our renewable energy focus and the week's activities to further the promotion and training in renewable energy products. We are pleased to be a resource and training facility for our industry," commented Lawrence.

The solar PV system is regularly monitored and can show the daily electrical power generated from the array at the facility. Access to the roof top system is available to further educate industry professionals on how the system is installed and how it integrates with a building.

National Electric is an independent distributor of renewable energy, lighting and electrical distribution products for the industrial, commercial, utility and residential market segments. Locally owned and operated in New Mexico, National has two locations in Albuquerque and Santa Fe. It maintains its inventories in over one million cubic feet of warehouse space. National's corporate headquarters are located at 2200 Midtown Place NE, Albuquerque, NM 87107.

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