State News for NSPE Members

Solar Panels Bill Advances in the Guam Legislature

Legislation to turn rooftop solar panels into "virtual power plants" capable of providing up to 20 megawatts of energy to ratepayers across the island advanced recently advanced in the Guam Legislature, the *Pacific Daily News* reports.

Senator Clynt Ridgell's Bill 351 would allow government buildings, businesses, nonprofits and homes to become a network of "solar hosts," charging batteries with energy that can then be sold to the Guam Power Authority.

Homeowners would be able to lease out rooftop space for solar equipment to a developer who will act as an intermediary, maintaining equipment and selling the generated energy to GPA.

GPA would feed that energy to power other customers on the power grid and, "at the same time they should be able to structure it in a way that's cheaper due to the fact that solar is so much cheaper than oil at this time," Ridgell said. Read more.

Year One of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

The Biden Administration recently updated state and territory fact sheets that highlight the nationwide impact of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, the largest long-term investment infrastructure and competitiveness in nearly a century. To date, \$90 million in funding has been announced and is headed to Guam. Access information about Guam projects here.

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are connected, inclusive, committed to ethical practice, and so much more. You have established your career as a PE, but what's next? Learn how your peers have strengthened their professional toolkits and share your own story through social media. #IAMNSPE



NSPECon23 Heads to Louisville

Mark your calendars to attend **NSPECon23** in Louisville, Kentucky, August 2-4. NSPECon provides an opportunity to build your network of professional engineers and advance your career by learning new skills, expanding your expertise, and preparing for future developments in the industry. The conference presentation proposal submissions site is open (submission deadline: January 25). Stay tuned for more information on registration, session topics, sponsorship opportunities, and additional conference activities!

If you want to reminisce about the fun, comradery, engagement experienced during this year's NSPECon (Philadelphia) in preparation for NSPECon23, visit NSPE's conference photo albums on Flickr.



Take Advantage of Professional Development Opportunities

It's not too late for NSPE members to access the 2022 lineup of WORKability Wednesdays webinars. Access these free recorded webinars and earn PDHs before the end of the year.

The presentations address various topics of interest to professional engineers including the following:

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