

State News for NSPE Members

From the NSPE-DE President

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We're excited to announce that our postponed event from Engineers Week will take place on **Wednesday, June 15**. Please save the date for this celebration that will be held at the Executive Banquet & Conference Center in Newark, Delaware. Additional information will be posted on the NSPE-DE [website](#).

The event will provide networking opportunities, recognition of scholarship recipients and newly licensed engineers, and the announcement of the ACEC-DE Engineering Excellence Awards.

The highlight of the night will be honoring our Young Engineer of the Year and Engineer of the Year. As mentioned last month, our recipients this year are Nick Dean, P.E., MCE and Holly Rybinski, P.E., PTOE. Don't miss out on a fun filled night!

Nick Dean, P.E., MCE—Young Engineer of the Year



Holly Rybinski, P.E., PTOE—Engineer of the Year



Licensure Renewal Period Opens Up in May

The [Delaware Association of Professional Engineers](#) will open up its professional engineering licensure renewal window by sending reminders on May 2 with a renewal deadline of June 30.

All PE licenses are on the same renewal schedule – June 30 in even-numbered years. Individuals that passed the PE exam between July 1, 2020, and June 30, 2022, are exempt from CPC requirements for the first renewal.

New Report Outlines Potential of Wind Power in the State

A new [report](#) prepared by University of Delaware researchers for the [Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control](#) says that offshore wind power is a viable option for helping the state to meet its renewable energy goals.

Among the report's findings:

- Projected offshore wind power prices fall within the range of wholesale power being purchased for Delaware now.
- Offshore wind power costs less than half of Delaware's current electricity supply when the social costs of health and climate impacts are included.
- Health damage from polluting power plants is very real, as are health savings from adding new renewable energy

Delaware has set a target of achieving 40% renewable energy by 2035. In addition, shifting to renewable energy is among the strategies identified in Delaware's [Climate Action Plan](#).

Fujifilm's New Facility in New Castle to Bring Engineering Jobs

Fujifilm will build a second manufacturing facility at its New Castle site for \$28 million. The 11,000 square foot facility will double the company's production capacity of pigment dispersions in the US, the [Delaware Business Times reports](#). It is expected to be operational by the summer of 2023.

"In addition to expanding operations, we look forward to growing our team here with 30 new positions to support our RxD manufacturing with roles in production, engineering, and administrative support," said Melissa Toledo, general manager of the New Castle plant, in a statement.



NSPE's **Job Board** is your one-stop resource for professional engineering employment. Whether you are on the hunt for your next career move or looking for today's top engineering leaders and talent, you will find it here.

NSPE provides the tools PEs need to keep current in the profession and advance their careers.

Featured Job

[Quality Engineer](#)

Find more job openings or reach the right employees on the [NSPE Job Board](#).

Stay up to date on legislative issues through the [NSPE Advocacy Center](#).

Take the 2022 Engineering Outlook Survey

Share your opinions on current issues affecting the practice of engineering by completing the 2022 *Engineering Outlook Survey*. The survey should take approximately 15-20 minutes to complete. Once completed, you will have the option to enter our drawing for one of four \$50 Amazon gift cards.

All responses will be kept anonymous and only used in aggregated results unless you give us permission to contact you regarding your responses. The results of the survey will be shared in an upcoming article in *PE* magazine, as well as other NSPE publications (website, newsletters, social media, etc.).

[Start the survey.](#)

NSPE Endorses Sustainability and Resilience Statement

NSPE believes licensed professional engineers should be good stewards of the environment in order to preserve and protect our world for future generations. The NSPE Board of Directors recently endorsed "[The Role of the Engineering Community in Addressing Climate Change](#)," a statement intended to unite, energize, and motivate people within and across organizations, and to fulfill their desires for meaning and purpose in their professional lives. Facilitated by Engineering Change Lab-USA, the statement was prepared with input from a working group of sixteen organizations including NSPE.

[Read more about NSPE's position on the environment, sustainability, and resilience.](#)

New Live Webinar Series: Workability Wednesdays

Would colleagues consider you workable? How easy is it for you to mold, flow, and bend in today's work environment? Is your knowledge up-to-date and relevant? Please join us for this [new webinar series](#) to learn more about topics impacting the industry and to enhance your competencies in the profession.



These live and interactive webinars are **free**

to NSPE members and will be held at 2:00 pm EDT on the first and third Wednesday of the months of April, May, and June. The next webinar on April 20 will focus on [The Future of Wichita's Water - The Northwest Water Treatment Facility](#).

[Learn more about the upcoming webinars and register.](#)

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