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## New Jersey Solar Industry Exceeds 90,000 Projects Completed

*New Jersey continues to lead in solar energy*

**TRENTON, N.J.** – The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) announced today that New Jersey's solar industry has hit a substantial milestone by surpassing 90,000 solar projects completed across the Garden State, totaling more than 2.4 GW of installed solar energy.

“Governor Murphy’s Administration is extremely committed to enhancing renewable and reliable energy and solar energy is a big piece of that puzzle,” said NJBPU President Joseph L. Fiordaliso. “I am proud that the NJBPU has contributed to making New Jersey a national leader in solar energy in the success of these initiatives.”

In New Jersey, solar projects are installed on residential dwellings, businesses, and government facilities, in addition to underused land, such as landfills and brownfields. Along with the environmental benefits offered by renewable generation, solar projects that are connected to the distribution system provide additional benefits such as generating electricity where it is needed and consumed; lowering capacity and congestion prices for delivery of electricity to ratepayers; and lower energy costs for residents, businesses, towns, and school districts that have solar panels.

As of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 3,137 solar projects have been completed this year to date, out of the total 90,000 solar projects completed in New Jersey over the past 18 years.

*New Jersey’s Clean Energy Program™* provides financial and other incentives to the state’s residential customers, businesses, and local governments that install high-efficiency or renewable energy technologies. For more information about the programs, visit [NJCleanEnergy.com](http://NJCleanEnergy.com) or call 866-NJSMART.

*About the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU)*

*The NJBPU is a state agency and regulatory authority mandated to ensure safe, adequate and proper utility services at reasonable rates for New Jersey customers. Critical services regulated by the NJBPU include natural gas, electricity, water, wastewater, telecommunications and cable television. The Board has general oversight and responsibility for monitoring utility service, responding to consumer complaints, and investigating utility accidents.*

*To find out more about the NJBPU, visit our web site at [www.nj.gov/bpu](http://www.nj.gov/bpu).*

*About the New Jersey Clean Energy Program (NJCEP)*

*NJCEP, established on January 22, 2003, in accordance with the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act (EDECA), provides financial and other incentives to the State's residential customers, businesses and schools that install high-efficiency or renewable energy technologies, thereby reducing energy usage, lowering customers' energy bills and reducing environmental impacts. The program is authorized and overseen by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU), and its website is [www.NJCleanEnergy.com](http://www.NJCleanEnergy.com).*

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