# Improving Solar PV Results through Collaborative Procurement

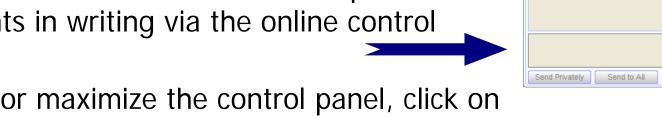
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- Understanding How to Purchase Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) (August 6, 2009)
- Green Power Purchasing Aggregations (January 28, 2010)
- Green Power Communities (February 23, 2010)
- Green Power Procurement for K-12 Schools (April 8, 2010)
- Procuring Green Power Through Reverse Auctions (June 24, 2010)
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#### **EPA's Green Power Partnership**

- The Green Power Partnership is a voluntary EPA program that seeks to reduce GHG emissions by increasing the use of green power among leading U.S. organizations.
- Partners in the program use green power in an amount that must meet or exceed the EPA benchmarks and in return receive EPA technical assistance and recognition.
- The Partnership currently has more than 1,200 Partners, including Fortune 500 companies, small and mediumsized businesses, government agencies, and colleges and universities.

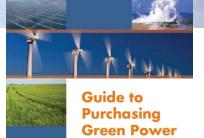


## **Partnership Offerings & Benefits**

- Credible Benchmarks
  - Metric for "How much green power is enough?"
  - Definition of eligible renewables
- Planning & Implementation Resources
  - Green power locator www.epa.gov/greenpower/pubs/gplocator.htm
  - Purchasing guidance
  - Marketing and communications support
  - Environmental impact information www.epa.gov/greenpower/pubs/calculator.htm
- Recognition
  - Top Partner lists
  - Green Power Leadership Awards
  - Promotional opportunities
  - Use of the Partner logo →









#### What is Green Power?

- Green power is an "environmentally-differentiated" electricity product from:
  - solar

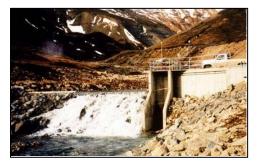
- wind
- biogas
- geothermal small hydro











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#### **Green Power Procurement Options**

#### • On-site Generation

- Install renewable energy system on-site (e.g. solar panels, wind turbines)
- Green Power Electricity Products
  - Buy electricity from utility green pricing programs or green power retail marketers that is all, or partially, generated from renewable sources
- Renewable Energy Certificates (REC)
  - Buy only the environmental "attributes" associated
    with the electricity generated (1 REC = 1 MWh)









#### **How Much Green Power to Join?**

	Partnership		
	Benchmark		
	You should, at	You should, at	
If your annual electricity use	minimum, use this	minimum, use this	
is	much green power	much green power	
Over 100,000,000 kWh	2%	20%	
100,000,000 - 10,000,000 kWh	3%	30%	
10,000,000 - 1,000,000 kWh	6%	60%	
Under 1,000,000 kWh	10%	N/A	



#### **Green Power Partners by Sector:** Who's Buying & How Much?

Industry	# Partners	Average kWh	Total kWh
Retail	75	40,545,321	3,040,899,087
Information Technology	71	37,352,935	2,652,058,387
Govt. (Local, Municipal)	101	19,022,843	1,921,307,142
Education (Higher)	96	15,586,537	1,496,307,562
Banking & Fin. Services	28	51,575,649	1,444,118,184
Govt. (Federal)	18	64,254,202	1,156,575,642
Govt. (State)	11	80,527,932	885,807,257
Green Power Community	28	30,784,301	861,960,436
Health Care	43	16,518,779	710,307,492
Travel & Leisure	73	6,273,057	457,933,135
Industrial Goods & Services	47	7,572,046	355,886,151
Consumer Products	40	8,605,438	344,217,511
Food & Beverage	47	5,267,635	247,578,826



## Want to Know More?

- Basic Information
  - An overview of Green Power Partnership is available on EPA's Web site <u>www.epa.gov/greenpower</u>
  - To see EPA's Top Partner Lists, please visit: <u>www.epa.gov/greenpower/toplists/index.htm</u>
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