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## **GovEnergy 2009**

Over 2,500 federal, civilian and military energy professionals to attend energy management training

(Providence, R.I.) GovEnergy, the nation's premier energy training workshop and tradeshow for federal energy professionals, will take place August 9-12, 2009 at the Rhode Island Convention Center in Providence, Rhode Island. GovEnergy is sponsored by the Department of Energy, General Services Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, Department of Defense, Department of Homeland Security and the Environmental Protection Agency.

"For twelve years, GovEnergy has been providing quintessential training for federal and private sector facility energy professionals. In addition, it provides the opportunity for top rated companies to showcase the latest technologies and capabilities in the energy sector," says GovEnergy's Chairman, Commander Brad Hancock, Deputy Director, Facilities Energy Directorate at the Office of the Secretary of Defense. "The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 has provided a much needed investment catalyst for energy projects. GovEnergy will help energy managers make the most of these and other investments by providing the finest training available, showcasing the best of new technology and capabilities, and affording exceptional opportunities for professional networking. This is a *must attend* event for every facility energy professional."

Promoting the 2009 theme *Charting a Course to Energy Independence*, GovEnergy will feature over 100 training sessions. Taught by nationally recognized experts, the training targets federal energy and facility experts, and emphasizes policies and statutory requirements for federal facilities and operations. Sessions also include demonstrations of new energy technologies and management tools. Professional development and education credits are available for session attendees.

The tradeshow will feature over 200 exhibitors showcasing the latest in energy and environmental products and services. In addition, the event provides on-site technical tours where attendees can observe the latest energy technologies in actual use.

In 2008, the federal government spent \$23.8 billion in energy expenditures for its facilities, operations, and vehicles. The Energy Policy Act of 2005 and Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 imposed strict mandates on federal agencies to monitor and reduce their energy consumption. Federal agencies are making significant investments in energy conservation products and services to comply with these mandates. GovEnergy provides information and training to help federal energy and facility professionals meet their objectives.

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