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Solar Electric, Solar Heating, and Small Wind Energy Contractors Located in Minnesota (8/08)

You can optimize your renewable energy system by investing in energy efficiency first. Energy efficiency upgrades are one of the best investments you can make – and in reducing the demand for energy, energy efficiency reduces the size of the renewable energy system needed. An energy audit is a good first step and is available through many Minnesota utilities at a discounted rate.

The following questions may help you begin the conversation with a renewable energy professional.

Questions to ask a Renewable Energy Installer

- What is included in a site assessment? Do you perform an energy use evaluation? Is there shading that will affect my system's performance?
- For solar technologies only, is the installer who will be performing the work NABCEP* certified for solar electricity or solar thermal?
- How much energy will the system produce? Will the system be able to measure and track production data? Is there a performance guarantee? What portion of my energy use will this system offset?
- What is the current monetary value of the energy saved/generated? In future years?
- What is the total cost of the system? What federal, state, or utility incentives are available to help with the cost of the system? What is the cost after these incentives? Who handles the paperwork for incentives?
- Will you as the installer be responsible for obtaining the appropriate local building, plumbing and electrical permits?
- Do you provide a maintenance or service warranty during the first year? Can I purchase an extended warranty? What maintenance is recommended? How long will the system last?
- How long have you been in business? How many installations have you done? Do you have references I can contact? Pictures of previous installations? Installations I can visit?
- When could the installation begin? From start to finish, including utility or permit approvals, how long might the installation take?
- For wind and solar electric: Do you work with my electrical utility to complete grid interconnection? Are there interconnection costs I should be aware of? Have you worked with my utility before?
- (if interested) If there is a blackout, what options do I have for back up power? What are the additional costs with having back up power?

It is a good idea to get more than one bid for a renewable energy installation. Be sure that each bid specifies system type and size, expected energy production, maintenance requirements, and installed cost. Given the price and availability volatility of equipment, it is not unusual for an installer to offer a bid that is good for a limited amount of time.

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Consumers are advised to perform due diligence in selecting a renewable energy dealer for their project, i.e. seeking references, previous project results, etc. Listings are free to Minnesota dealers who contact the Department for inclusion in the next edition.

American Solar Electric, LLC

Heath Hemaar, NABCEP Certified Solar PV
Installer™
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952.926.3512
heath@americanpv.com
www.americanpv.com
Products: solar electric
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

AquaGen

15541 County Rd 159, Avon, MN 56310
320-267-9463
jobrostraley@hotmail.com
Products: wind energy, some solar electric, solar thermal
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Bavolak Electric

1153 16th Ave. SE., Minneapolis, MN 55414
612-623-4031
bavolak@usinternet.com
<http://bavolak.com/index.htm>
Products: wind energy, solar electric
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Best Power International, LLC

164 Isabel St W, St. Paul, MN 55107
651-428-8397
BestPower@USFAMILY.net
www.BestPowerSolar.net
Products: solar electric, solar heat, wind energy
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Bronson Electric Inc.

251 Danora Pl., Saint Cloud, MN 56301
320-761-2625
nordlund25@clearwire.net
Products: solar electric
Services: Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Carr Creek Electric Service LLC

Christopher Jarosch, NABCEP Certified Solar PV
Installer™
314 East Maple Street Woodville, WI 54028
715-698-4350
jarosch@baldwin-telecom.net
www.carrcreekelectricservice.com
Products: solar electric
Services: Design, Sales, Installation

Cedar Creek Energy Corporation

632 Viking Blvd. NE, Cedar, MN 55011-9635
612-221-3373 or 800-834-3378
info@CedarCreekEnergy.com
www.CedarCreekEnergy.com
Products: wind energy
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Conservation Technologies

4804 Oneota St, Duluth, MN 55807
218-722-9003
info@conservtech.com
www.conservtech.com
Products: solar electric, solar heat
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Delve Energy Group

855 Foxberry Farms Rd, Medina, MN 55340
763-478-3580
info@delveenergy.com
www.delveenergy.com
Products: solar electric, solar heat, wind energy
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Earth Scientific National, LLC

48 Ferndale St N, Maplewood, MN 55119
612-414-2235
dusty_cooney@earthscientificnational.com
www.earthscientificnational.com
Products: wind energy, solar heating, solar electric
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Wind Development

Electric Builders, Inc

4867 Miller Trunk Hwy, Hermantown, MN 55811
(218) 722-1073
Products: solar electric, wind energy
Services: Sales, Installation

Energy Concepts, Inc.

Craig Tarr, NABCEP Certified Solar PV Installer™
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www.energyconcepts.us
Products: solar electric, solar heat, wind energy
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance



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Energy Conservation Products and Services, Inc.

Ron Anderson
218-384-3158

www.solarway6000.com

ronaldandsueanderson@msn.com

Products: solar heat

Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Energy Remodeling and Consulting LLC

6638 Kara Drive Eden Prairie MN 55346
952-836-9910

Rick@mnsolarwind.com

www.mnsolarwind.com

Products: Solar electric, wind energy, solar heat

Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Energy Users' Association

2579 Ralph St. St Paul, MN 55110
651-426-3356

bandco2@comcast.net

www.energyuser.biz

Products: solar electric, solar heat

Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

ER Systems

6900 Bleck Drive, Rockford, MN 55373
763-565-6900
800-403-7747

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www.ersystems.com

Products: solar electric, wind energy

Services: Design, Sales

freEner-g

3212 Hennepin Ave S, Suite 202,
Minneapolis, MN 55408
612-605-5228

gerardo@freEner-g.com

www.freEner-g.com

Products: solar electric

Services: Leasing, Design, Installation, Maintenance

Green Range Renewable Energy

21561 Edwards Dr., Ironton, MN 56455
218-545-2186

jay@greenrangeenergy.com

Products: solar electric, wind energy

Services: Design, Sales, Installation

Great Northern Solar (*)

Christopher LaForge

NABCEP Certified Solar PV Installer™

77480 Evergreen Road, Suite #1, Port Wing, WI 54865
715-774-3374

gosolar@cheqnet.net

Products: solar electric

Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Innovative Power Systems (*)

Ralph Jacobson, NABCEP Certified Solar PV Installer™

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Matthew Miller, NABCEP Certified Solar Thermal
Installer™

1153 16th Ave SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414
612-623-3246

www.ips-solar.com

Products: solar electric, solar heat, wind energy

Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

**ION Renewable Technology, a Division of ION
Lighting and Electric, Inc.**

11168 Sumter Circle, Bloomington, MN 55438
952-303-6553

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brichmond@ionelectricinc.com

Products: solar electric, wind energy

Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

J&B Specialty

3507 65th St. NE, Rochester, MN 55906
507-281-5846

cjfbok@juno.com

Products: solar electric, wind energy

Services: Design, Consultation

Jet Construction & Remodeling, Inc.

1025 Selby Ave, Saint Paul, MN 55104
651-228-9490

www.jetconstruction.com

Products: solar electric, solar thermal

Services: Sales, Design, Installation

Jim's Energy Solutions

1935-2nd Ave. East, Hibbing MN 55746
218 929-1544

jkeilrich@mchsi.com

Products: solar electric and wind energy hybrid
systems

Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

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M8 Electric Solutions LLC

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612-490-9443

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www.M8Electric.com

Products: solar electric, wind energy
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

M. C. Howard Builders Corp.

701 22nd Ave. NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418
612-280-3067

mchoward@mac.com

Products: solar electric, solar thermal
Services: Custom homes with solar options

Meteeek & Comapny

4218 Enterprise Circle, Duluth, MN 55811
218-722-7599 or 218-722-1886

Meteeek@duluthmn.com

Products: solar thermal
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

NorthTek Services

5529 Turtle Lake Road, Shoreview MN 55126
651-308-0261

northtek@ties2.net

Products: solar electric, solar heat
Services: Design, Sales, Installation

Outback Solar Electric

484 Arrowhead Tr, Hovland, MN 55606
218-370-0836

Products: solar electric
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Paul's Plumbing and Heating

48655 428th St. ,Perham MN 56573
218-346-7285

paulplbg@eot.com

Products: solar heat
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Powerfully Green

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www.powerfullygreen.com
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Products: solar electric, solar heat
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Prairie Solar Power & Light

61660 Peach Tree Ln, Prairie du Chien, WI 53821
608-412-0132

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Products: solar electric, solar heat, wind energy
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Prairie Technologies, Inc.

6900 Bleck Dr, Rockford, MN 55373
763-565-6900

www.prairie-tech.com

tim@prairie-tech.com

Products: solar electric, wind energy
Services: Design, Sales

ReDriven Power, Wind Turbine Manufacturer

Ontario, Canada
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wpike@redriven.ca

Products: wind energy 2kw - 20kw
Services: Sales, Design, Installation

Renewable Energy Team, LLC

14715 Edgewood Drive #1, PO Box 2781
Baxter, MN 56425

218-824-7000

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Products: wind energy, solar electric
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Round River Renewables, LLC

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218-353-7736

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www.round-river.com

Products: solar electric, solar heat, wind energy
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Rural Renewable Energy Alliance (*)

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Products: solar electric, solar heat
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance,
Solar hot air manufacturer

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Saint Cloud Heat Fireplace & Spa

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Products: solar electric, solar heat, wind energy
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Silver Creek Institute

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Products: solar electric, solar heat, wind energy
Services: Design, Sales, Installation, Maintenance

Spruce Electric

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Sun's Warmth

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Services: Design

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