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In the May edition of *Energy and Clean Tech Connections*, we've gathered recent information from a wide variety of sources in an effort to keep you abreast of what's new in the world of clean energy. We draw your attention to the latest industry developments, news from local governments to Capitol Hill, grant opportunities, and upcoming events.

This month, the Energy and Clean Technology Practice Group would like to congratulate clients EnerNOC and Metal Oxygen Separation Technologies Inc. Earlier this month, EnerNOC [secured a multi-year contract](#) to provide Tucson Electric Power with up to 40 megawatts of demand response capacity. Meanwhile, Metal Oxygen Separation Technologies was [named a winner in the U.S. Department of Energy's Industrial Energy Efficiency Grand Challenge](#), taking home a prize of \$260,000.

In Washington this month, Senators John Kerry (D-MA) and Joseph Lieberman (I-CT) [unveiled their long-anticipated energy and climate legislation](#). The legislation aims to cut emissions of greenhouse gases by 17% by 2020; it also includes increased protections for offshore drilling, and would, for the first time, set a price on carbon dioxide emissions produced by some major polluters. For the most up-to-date information on the legislation and other federal programs, please [click here](#) to find the most recent *ML Strategies Weekly Energy and Environment Update*.

Last month, Interior Secretary Ken Salazar [formally approved the Cape Wind project](#). Located off the coast of Massachusetts in Nantucket Sound, Cape Wind would be the first offshore wind farm in the United States if completed.

In financing news, Mintz Levin has teamed with the law firm Krieg DeVault and the investment bank Stern Brothers to develop [a bond-oriented approach for financing commercial biofuels projects](#). The platform has received favorable initial reaction from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and could help resolve the funding delays and other issues presently facing the commercialization of biofuels.

We hope that you enjoy this month's edition of the newsletter.

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## In the News: United States

### Jinko Solar's IPO Meets with Tepid Reaction

*Greentech Media*—May 16, 2010

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### The Name is Bond: A Tool To Break Biofuels Financing Logjam?

*Biofuels Digest*—May 13, 2010

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### EnerNOC Takes Demand Response to Tucson

*Greentech Media*—May 12, 2010

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### Solaria Raises \$45 Million, Wind Storage Gets \$3 Million

*Greentech Media*—May 11, 2010

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### Run Energy Signs 460-MW Wind O&M Deal

*Renewable Energy World*—May 10, 2010

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### National Grid Sets Sail with Cape Wind Power Purchase Deal

*BusinessGreen.com*—May 10, 2010

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### Venture Capital Investment in Clean Technology Bolstered by Energy Efficiency and Electric Vehicle Deals

*New Energy World Network*—May 6, 2010

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### Leading Oil Refiner Invests in More Algae

*CNET News*—May 6, 2010

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## Clean Energy M&A: Six Trends To Watch

*Greentech Media*—May 6, 2010

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## Six Massachusetts Clean Tech Firms Win \$1.7 Million in DOE Grants

*Mass High Tech*—May 5, 2010

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## Google Invests Nearly \$39 Million in Wind Farms

*CNET News*—May 3, 2010

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## U.S. Wind Developers National Wind, KRS to Develop 300 MW Texan Community Wind Project

*New Energy World Network*—April 30, 2010

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## Solar Power Partners Raises \$215 Million

*Renewable Energy World*—April 29, 2010

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## Joule Gets \$30 Million in Second Round Funding for Advanced Biofuel Technology

*Clean Edge*—April 28, 2010

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## Interior Secretary Approves Cape Wind Plan, Nation's First Offshore Wind Farm

*The Boston Globe*—April 28, 2010

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## U.S. Closes \$529 Million Loan to Fisker To Drive Electric Vehicle Development

*New Energy World Network*—April 26, 2010

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## Solar Microinverter Developer SolarBridge Raises \$15 Million in Series B Funding

*New Energy World Network*—April 26, 2010

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## Codexis IPO: Biocatalyst Startup Debuts on Nasdaq at Low End

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## Amonix Secures \$129.4 Million in Financing

*Renewable Energy World*—April 22, 2010

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## Amyris IPO: The S-1, By the Numbers

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## In the News: Europe and Asia

### American Superconductor Announces \$445 Million Order from Chinese Wind Turbine Maker Sinovel

*Clean Edge*—May 17, 2010

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### Samsung To Invest \$21 Billion in Solar Cells, LEDs and More

*Bloomberg BusinessWeek*—May 14, 2010

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### THINK To Further Electric Vehicle Development with New \$40 Million Equity Round

*Clean Edge*—May 12, 2010

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### UK Coalition Parliament Expected To Increase Renewables Spending, Appoints Chris Huhne as Energy Secretary

*New Energy World Network*—May 12, 2010

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### The Crown Estate Awards 2GW Additional Wind Capacity

*New Energy World Network*—May 11, 2010

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### China Hydroelectric Corp. Acquires 19-MW Project

*Renewable Energy World*—May 7, 2010

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## Abengoa Solar's 50 MW Concentrated Solar Plant Begins Operation in Spain

*Clean Edge*—May 7, 2010

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## China, South Korea Lead in Green Tech Funding

*CNET News*—May 6, 2010

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## ABB Acquires Ventyx for Over \$1 Billion

*Greentech Media*—May 5, 2010

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## SunEdison To Build 12 Solar Parks in Italy

*Renewable Energy World*—May 4, 2010

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## Vestas Wins Four Chinese Wind Turbine Orders Totaling 198MW

*New Energy World Network*—April 27, 2010

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## Total Dives Further into Biofuel with Coskata Investment

*Cleantech*—April 27, 2010

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## Rabobank To Raise Up to €1.5 Billion for Solar and Wind Project Finance Fund

*New Energy World Network*—April 26, 2010

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## European Investment Firm WHEB Ventures Raises £100 Million for Second Clean Technology Fund

*New Energy World Network*—April 22, 2010

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## French Biofuel Technology Developer Deinove Sets IPO Price

*New Energy World Network*—April 22, 2010

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## Government Financial Assistance

### **Grants**

New York State Energy Research and Development Authority-Innovations in Demand Response, Load Management and Dynamic Pricing

Application Deadline: June 15, 2010

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New York State Energy Research and Development Authority-Renewable, Clean Energy, and Energy Efficiency Product Manufacturing Incentive Program

Application Deadline: June 10, 2010

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Massachusetts Technology Collaborative Sustainable Energy Economic Development (SEED)

Application Deadline: Rolling

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Massachusetts Technology Collaborative Business Expansion Initiative (BEI)

Application Deadline: Rolling

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Massachusetts Technology Collaborative Large Onsite Renewables Initiative

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Massachusetts Green Energy Fund

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Unsolicited Proposals to the Massachusetts Renewable Energy Trust's Industry Investment and Development (II&D) Program

Application Deadline: Rolling

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Focus on Energy Renewable Energy Incentives & Grants

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Federal Renewable Power Production Tax Credit

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Federal Tax Credits for Home Builders

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Federal Tax Deductions for Commercial Buildings

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California Property Tax Exclusion for Solar Energy Systems

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Massachusetts Alternative Energy and Energy Conservation Patent Deduction (Personal and Corporate)

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Massachusetts Hydropower-Property Tax Exemption

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The Renewable Fuels Foundation Grants for Ethanol Production

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Bill Aimed To Stem Global Warming, Create Jobs

*The Washington Post*—May 12, 2010

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Home Renovators Alert: House Passes Caulkers Bill

*The Washington Post*—May 6, 2010

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New York Uses Proceeds from Regional Cap-and-Trade Auctions, Other Funds To Award \$11.3 Million to Clean-Energy Projects

*Clean Edge*—May 5, 2010

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DOE Announces \$106 Million in Funding to 37 Research Projects through APRA-E Program

*Clean Edge*—May 3, 2010

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U.S. Commits \$200 Million to Solar and Water Power Technologies Ahead of Climate Change Bill

*New Energy World Network*—April 23, 2010

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U.S. Department of Energy To Spend \$28 Million on Energy Efficiency and Retrofit Programs

*New Energy World Network*—April 22, 2010

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New York Gets \$40 Million in PACE Funds

*Renewable Energy World*—April 22, 2010

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California Launches \$35.2 Million Cash for Appliances Program

*New Energy World Network*—April 22, 2010

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U.S. Military at Forefront of Clean Energy Deployment, Says Pew Trust

*New Energy World Network*—April 22, 2010

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New York Awards \$204 Million to Eight Clean-Energy Projects

*Clean Edge*—April 16, 2010

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## DOE Releases New Report on Benefits of Recovery Act for Small Businesses

Energy and Clean Technology Advisory, Mintz Levin – April 13, 2010

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## Biomass under Attack: When is Carbon Neutral?

Energy and Clean Technology Advisory, Mintz Levin – April 13, 2010

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## Attention Foreign Entrepreneurs: New StartUp Visa Act of 2010 Introduced in Congress

Immigration Advisory, Mintz Levin – March 3, 2010

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## Webinar: Responding to the SEC's New Disclosure Requirements for 2010: Tips and Strategies To Prepare for Proxy Season

Securities Law Webinar, Mintz Levin – March 2, 2010

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## Mintz Levin's Energy and Clean Tech Practice Completed 40 Transactions in 2009

Press Release, Mintz Levin – March 1, 2010

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## Events

### **May**

#### ASES National Solar Conference 2010

May 17-22, 2010

Phoenix Convention Center

Phoenix, Arizona

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#### The Networked Grid 2010

May 18-19, 2010

Hyatt Grand Champion Resort

Indian Wells, California

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#### Wind Power 2010 Conference and Expo

May 23-26, 2010

Dallas Convention Center  
Dallas, Texas

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### Cleantech Focus: China

May 28-29, 2010  
Beijing Liangmahe Hotel  
Beijing, China

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## **June**

### Renewable Energy World Europe 2010

June 8-10, 2010  
RAI  
Amsterdam, The Netherlands

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### Intersolar Europe 2010

June 9-11, 2010  
New Munich Fair Trade Centre  
Munich, Germany

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### Cleantech Focus: Bringing India and China To New England

June 10, 2010  
Back Bay Events Center  
Boston, Massachusetts

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### Clean Technology Conference & Expo 2010

June 21-24, 2010  
Anaheim Convention Center  
Anaheim, California

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### Renewable Energy Finance Forum-Wall Street

June 29-30, 2010  
The Waldorf-Astoria  
New York, New York

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## **July**

### Growth Opportunities in Utility Scale Solar

July 13, 2010  
InterContinental Hotel  
San Francisco, California

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## Intersolar North America 2010

July 13-15, 2010  
Moscone Center  
San Francisco, California

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## Cleantech Focus: Chicago

July 27, 2010  
Chicago Cultural Center  
Chicago, Illinois

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