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For the June edition of Mintz Levin's *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 Beacon Hill to Capitol Hill, grant opportunities, and upcoming events.

Since the American Clean Energy Security Act cleared the House Energy and Commerce Committee last month, House Democratic leaders have been negotiating the release of the bill to the floor. While most House committees with secondary jurisdiction are expected to discharge the bill from their consideration, the positions of the Ways and Means and Agriculture Committees remain unclear. The bill, however, is expected to reach the House floor before the July 4th recess. Meanwhile, in the Senate, the American Clean Energy Leadership Act, authored by Senator Jeff Bingaman, was [approved by the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee](#). Debate of the bill on the floor has not yet been scheduled.

Earlier this month, the IRS released Notice 2009-52, which provides guidance on electing the Investment Tax Credit (ITC) over the Production Tax Credit (PTC) with respect to qualifying renewable energy facilities. This option was made available by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) as an incentive for the renewable energy sector. For more information, please see our [Advisory](#).

Last week, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) released a [report](#) providing an Interim Roadmap for the development of the Interoperability Framework for "Smart Grid" technologies. The report describes the current status, issues, and priorities for interoperability standards development and harmonization. By early fall 2009, the NIST will use this report to formulate interoperability standards, compliance with which will be a prerequisite for receiving Smart Grid incentives outlined in the ARRA.

This month, the Energy and Clean Technology Practice Group would like to congratulate client Cannacord Adams on its \$63.3 million [secondary public offering](#) of Telvent, Inc. common stock. The group would also like to congratulate client SpectraSensors on the closing of its \$6 million [financing](#) by Blueprint Ventures, Nth Power, American River Ventures, Nomura Private Equity Investment, and Chevron

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Spire to Dissolve Systems Joint Ventures with Gloria Solar

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EnerNOC Acquires Carbon Tracking Software Firm

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BigBelly to Supply Compactors to Waste Management

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California Leading Growth in Nation's Green Jobs Economy, Study Finds

Los Angeles Times - June 11, 2009

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NRG, eSolar Plan for 92 MW Solar Thermal Project in New Mexico

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Solar Companies Fear Delays as Feds Work Slow Magic

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Tendril Secures \$30 Million in Funding for Smart Energy Management

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SatCon Raising \$20 Million in Stock Offering

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Venture Capitalists Pin Growth Hopes on Green Tech

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U.S. Small Wind Market Grew 78% in 2008

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U.S. Solar Market: So Promising, Except for 2009

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Suntech & Evergreen Make New Public Offerings

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In the News: Europe

New Earth Solutions Awarded £40 Million Waste Management and Recycling Contract by West of England Partnership

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First Floating Wind Turbine Buoyed Off Norway

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UNEP & NEF Reveal Worldwide Renewable Energy Investment Trends

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U.K. Government, Alongside Carbon Trust and Salix Finance, to Offer £51 Million in Loans for Energy Efficiency

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REpower Receives €600 Million in Financing

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Renewables Commodity Market: Aspects of EU Biofuels Trading

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Cambridge Cleantech Venture Recycles Experience To Pull in £8 Million

Business Weekly - June 10, 2009

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Despite the Economic Downturn, the Market for Green Building Materials Will Grow to \$571 Billion by 2013, According to Report

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France Takes on Brazil in Bidding Battle To Win Control of EcoSecurities

The Times - June 9, 2009

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Investment in Renewables Up in Q2

Renewable Energy World - June 8, 2009

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U.K. Announces Grants for Anaerobic Waste Energy Programmes

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Carbon Trading Price Rise Predicted

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European Renewables Target Can Create 2.8 Million Jobs

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Government To Set Clear Targets for U.K. Energy Mix

The Times - June 1, 2009

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France Launches Ambitious, €1.5 Billion Solar Plan

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Government Financial Assistance

Grants

Recovery Act - Demonstration of Integrated Biorefinery Operations

Application Deadline: June 30, 2009

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Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing Loan Program

Application Deadline: June 30, 2009 – and every 90 days thereafter as long as authority remains to make additional loans

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Combined Heat and Power Systems Technology Development and Demonstration

Application Deadline: July 7, 2009

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Recovery Act - Deployment of CHP Systems, District Energy Systems, Waste Energy Recovery Systems, and Efficient Industrial Equipment

Application Deadline: July 14, 2009

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Industrial Energy Efficiency Grand Challenge

Application Deadline: July 14, 2009

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Enhanced Geothermal Systems Component Research and Development/Analysis

Application Deadline: July 17, 2009

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Recovery Act - Energy Efficient Information and Communication Technology

Application Deadline: July 21, 2009

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Recovery Act - Geothermal Technologies Program

Application Deadline: July 22, 2009

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Recovery Act - Wind Energy Consortia Between Institutions of Higher Learning and Industry

Application Deadline: July 29, 2009

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Recovery Act - Solar Market Transformation

Application Deadline: July 30, 2009

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Enhanced Geothermal Systems Demonstration

Application Deadline: July 30, 2009

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Recovery Act - High Penetration Solar Development

Application Deadline: July 30, 2009

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Recovery Act - Geothermal Technologies Program: GroundSource Heat Pumps

Application Deadline: August 6, 2009

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Recovery Act - Carbon Capture and Sequestration from Industrial Sources and Innovative Concepts for Beneficial CO2 Use

Application Deadline: August 7, 2009

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Recovery Act - Clean Coal Power Initiative - Round 3

Application Deadline: August 24, 2009

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Recovery Act - Systems Level Technology

Development, Integration and Demonstration for
Efficient Class 8 Trucks (SuperTruck) and
Advanced Technology Powertrains for Light-
Duty Vehicles (ATP-LD)

Application Deadline: September 9, 2009

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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)

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Massachusetts Technology Collaborative Large
Onsite Renewables Initiative

Application Deadline: Rolling

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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

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Focus on Energy Renewable Energy Incentives
& Grants

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Tax Incentives and Rebates

Federal Modified Accelerated Cost Recovery
System

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Federal Business Investment Tax Credit

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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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Self-Generation Incentive Program

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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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Massachusetts Local Property Tax Exemption

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Massachusetts Corporate Income Tax Deduction

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Massachusetts Technology Collaborative Commonwealth Wind Incentive Program: Micro Wind

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Massachusetts Technology Collaborative Commonwealth Wind Incentive Program: Community-Scale Wind

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Massachusetts Commonwealth Solar

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Privately Sourced Financial Grants

The Energy Foundation Grants

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The Renewable Fuels Foundation Grants for Ethanol Production

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The Carbon Trust

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Secretary Chu Announces Nearly \$50 Million of Recovery Act Funding To Accelerate Deployment of Geothermal Heat Pumps

Press Release, U.S. Department of Energy - June 2, 2009

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\$20 Million in Clean Renewable Energy Bonds Sold for California DOT

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California Dreaming: Achieving 33% RPS Could Cost \$12 Billion in New Transmissions

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DOE Sets Aside \$300 Million for Autos, Solar, Carbon Capture

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Secretary Chu Announces \$256 Million Energy Efficiency Investment

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Energy Storage Tariff Approved in New York

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Commerce and Energy Secretaries Agree on Smart Grid Framework

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Secretary Chu Announces \$2.4 Billion in Funding for Carbon Capture and Storage Projects

Press Release, U.S. Department of Energy - May 15, 2009

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IRS Provides Guidance on Electing Investment Tax Credit in Lieu of Production Tax Credit

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Mintz Levin Represents Canaccord Adams in Secondary Public Offering

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Mintz Levin Elevates Four Attorneys to Members of the Firm

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Mintz Levin Recognized by Lawyers Clearinghouse for its Dedication to the Legal Needs of Area Homeless

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FTC Alleges Some "Green" Marketing Claims Are Dirty

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Chambers USA Names 22 Mintz Levin Attorneys Leaders in Their Fields for 2009

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\$25 Billion Recovery Zone Bond Program Implemented

Public Finance Tax Advisory, Mintz Levin - June 15, 2009

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SEC Votes To Expand Proxy Access Rights of Shareholders

Securities Law Alert, Mintz Levin - May 22, 2009

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New York Employers Now Have an Alternative to Layoffs during Temporary Declines in Business

Employment, Labor and Benefits Advisory, Mintz Levin - June 12, 2009

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BWEA Offshore Wind 2009

June 24–25, 2009
London, United Kingdom

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Financing the Cleantech Vision

June 25, 2009
The Sheraton Palo Alto
Palo Alto, California

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Photovoltaics Summit Europe 2009

June 30–July 2, 2009
Crowne Plaza Rome St. Peter's Hotel
Rome, Italy

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July

Carbon Emissions Trading 2009

July 1, 2009
Le Meridien Bristol Hotel
Warsaw, Poland

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Biogas

Strategies & Challenges in Scaling Up Biogas Production

July 1–2, 2009
London, United Kingdom

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The China Cleantech Business Forum

July 7–8, 2009
The Shangri-La's Kerry Center Hotel (CBD)
Beijing, China

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New Energy Symposium

July 8–9, 2009
7 World Trade Center
New York, New York

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BioPower Generation USA

July 8–9, 2009
Chicago, Illinois

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EU Emissions Trading 2009

July 9–10, 2009
Brussels, Belgium

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The 4th Annual Solar Summit

July 9–10, 2009
The Hilton Del Mar
San Diego, California

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Growth Opportunities in the New PV Market

Projects, Finance and Policy

July 13, 2009
InterContinental Hotel
San Francisco, California

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InterSolar North America

July 14–16, 2009
Moscone Center
San Francisco, California

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The IEA & Marketforce's Renewables 2009

July 8–9, 2009
Radisson SAS Portman
London, United Kingdom

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August

Greentech Connect Forum

August 3–4, 2009
Pasadena Convention Center
Pasadena, California

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An Introduction to Renewables

The Essentials of Clean Energy Resources, Technologies & Markets

August 11–12, 2009
London, United Kingdom

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An Introduction to Solar Technology and Markets

A 2-Day Comprehensive Overview of Solar Energy & Power

August 13–14, 2009
London, United Kingdom

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American Renewable Energy Day

August 20–22, 2009
Aspen Meadows Doerr-Hosier Conference Center
Aspen, Colorado

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September

Solar Economics Forum USA

The Meeting Place for U.S. Solar Policy and Business

September 9–10, 2009
Ronald Reagan Building
Washington, D.C.

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Going Green

September 14–16, 2009
Cavallo Point
San Francisco, California

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The 4th Annual Renewable Energy Finance & Investment Summit

September 14–16, 2009
Doral Resort and Spa
Miami, Florida

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3rd U.S. Carbon Finance Forum

September 15–16, 2009
The Metropolitan Club
New York, New York

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Solar Convention Las Vegas 2009

September 15–17, 2009
Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority, North Hall
Las Vegas, Nevada

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11th Renewable Energy Finance Forum London

September 21–22, 2009
Millennium Gloucester
London, United Kingdom

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Carbon Markets USA

Seize the Business Opportunities in the Budding U.S. Carbon Market

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Ronald Reagan Building
Washington, D.C.

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24th European Photovoltaic Solar Energy Conference & Exhibition

September 21–25, 2009
CCH - Congress Center and International Fair
Hamburg, Germany

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GridWeek 2009

September 21–25, 2009
Ronald Reagan Building
Washington, D.C.

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Next Generation Biofuels Markets

Developing Emerging Feedstocks, Commercial Strategies & Advancements in Conversion Technologies

September 28–30, 2009
Amsterdam, The Netherlands

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2nd Renewable Energy Finance Forum West

September 29–30, 2009
The Palace
San Francisco, California

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