



# New Jersey Board of Public Utilities

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## NJ's Clean Energy Program Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® Contractors Receive National Recognition

TRENTON, N.J. — Eight New Jersey contractor companies were recognized and presented with their 2012 Century Award by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU) for their outstanding achievements in residential energy efficiency. The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) award recognizes contractors that have completed 100 or more comprehensive Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® projects in one year.

The DOE recently announced that 97 Building Performance Institute (BPI) accredited contractors from across the nation won the 2012 Century Award. Of the 30,000 total projects completed nationwide by the 2012 Century Award honorees, New Jersey's eight contractors completed 1,841, or 6.1%, of the total projects.

<b>Contractor Organization</b>	<b>Number of Jobs in 2012</b>
Hutchinson, Plumbing-Heating-Cooling*	476
Bovio Advanced Comfort & Energy Solutions*	376
BC Express, Inc.*	233
Building Sciences LLC	230
Allied Construction LLC	207
The Energy Team, LLC	114
Mid-State Heating and Cooling, Inc.	103
Potential Energy	102
<b>Total Projects</b>	<b>1,841</b>

\*Denotes previous award winners.

Since the program's inception in 2007, over 200 Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® contractors have completed a total of more than 13,000 projects. Home Performance with ENERGY STAR's total completions resulted in 187,260 MWh lifetime savings, which is the equivalent to the annual greenhouse gas emissions from 27,525 passenger vehicles.

"The accomplishments demonstrated by these contractors exemplifies the State's commitment to ensure that New Jersey residents and businesses become more energy efficient at home and at work", said Robert Hanna, President of the NJ Board of Public Utilities. "It is our goal to help residents save energy and money while improving their comfort and safety for years to come."

Home Performance with ENERGY STAR, which is sponsored by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) and its Clean Energy Program™, enables New Jersey residents to work with specially trained BPI contractors, who assess where and how energy is wasted in a home. After an assessment is conducted, the contractor provides the homeowner with a list of recommended, comprehensive energy efficient upgrades to improve the comfort, safety, quality and durability of their home. Homeowners may save up to 30% of their energy use, which helps lower electric bills. Incentives of up to \$5,000 in addition to 0% interest loans are available to program participants.

For more information about Home Performance with ENERGY STAR and for a full list of contractors, visit [NJCleanEnergy.com/HP](http://NJCleanEnergy.com/HP)

*New Jersey's Clean Energy Program* provides services and incentives to the state's residential customers, businesses and municipalities that install high-efficiency or renewable energy technologies. For more information about the NJBPU or its Clean Energy Programs, visit [NJCleanEnergy.com](http://NJCleanEnergy.com) or call 866-NJSMART.

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#### **About the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU)**

*The NJBPU is a state agency and regulatory authority mandated to ensure safe, adequate and proper utility services at reasonable rates for New Jersey customers. Critical services regulated by the NJBPU include natural gas, electricity, water, wastewater, telecommunications and cable television. The Board has general oversight responsibility for monitoring utility service, responding to consumer complaints, and investigating utility accidents. To find out more about the NJBPU, visit our web site at [www.nj.gov/bpu](http://www.nj.gov/bpu).*

#### **About the New Jersey Clean Energy Program (NJCEP)**

*NJCEP, established on January 22, 2003, in accordance with the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act (EDECA), provides financial and other incentives to the State's residential customers, businesses and schools that install high-efficiency or renewable energy technologies, thereby reducing energy usage, lowering customers' energy bills and reducing environmental impacts. The program is authorized and overseen by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU), and its website is [www.NJCleanEnergy.com](http://www.NJCleanEnergy.com).*

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