

The Green Connection

Green Committee Meeting
Tuesday, August 11th
8:00 am

John Wesley United Methodist Church
626 Savannah Highway
([CARTA Route 30](#))

Learning from Raleigh

Inspired by skyrocketing fuel prices, the City of Raleigh, N.C. has planted about 50 acres of sunflowers to harvest the seeds for oil. The cost to plant the seeds was around \$12,000. [The sunflower oil will be processed to produce biodiesel.](#) City officials hope the biodiesel could then be used to operate the city's equipment.



Building Occupants Empowered



Starting in 2010, anyone offering a commercial building to buyers, lessees or renters in California will be required to share their building's federal Energy Star history. [The purpose is to "motivate building operators to take actions to improve their buildings' energy profiles."](#) All commercial buildings in California participate in the Energy Star program.

The Charleston Green Committee's recommendations includes a policy with similar goals.

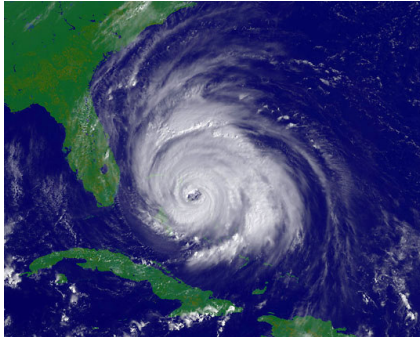
Require all sellers of real estate to provide potential buyers with utility reports or invoices for the prior 12 months.

The goals of this policy are to create market based forces to influence energy efficiency, to see how buildings compare to peer buildings, to offer insight into potential energy conservation opportunities as well as into the potential value of those energy savings and to support more informed operation and maintenance decisions.

The Southeast in a Warmer World, Impacts and Opportunities SACE Webinar

We invite you to join us on Thursday, July 29, 2009, from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm EST for a briefing and discussion.

In June, the White House released a non-partisan, authoritative and comprehensive climate change report titled, "[Global Climate Change Impacts in the United States](#)." Based on the most recent scientific research, this report discusses what global warming impacts are already in motion, what we can expect in the future and what choices we have to respond to human-induced global warming.



Toni Reale, the Southeast Coastal Organizer for the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, will present Southeastern specific findings of this report as well as provide avenues for audience members to become more involved with the solutions to the climate crisis. Please join our "virtual brown bag lunch." Please forward this invitation to others you think might be interested.

System Requirements

PC-based attendees

Required: Windows® 2000, XP Home, XP Pro, 2003 Server, Vista

Macintosh®-based attendees

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