



***TN Solar Stakeholders Meeting***

**Saturday March 29, 2003**

**MTSU Campus – Belle Aire Building**

**Murfreesboro, TN**

## **Purpose of the Meeting**

The purpose of the meeting is to gather together the Tennessee solar stakeholders. While the stakeholders participating are from various backgrounds - nonprofit, government, research or business - the one thing we all have in common is everyone would like to see *greater solar power development in Tennessee*. We hope that by the end of the day people representing very different perspectives can come to agreement on some of the issues holding back solar power development in Tennessee and even more important, what we can do - working together - to create more solar power development in the State.

## **Meeting Structure**

The meeting is designed to start with a narrow focus that broadens through lunch and then narrows down to a list of suggested steps forward. Registration will begin at 9:45am, in the Belle Aire Building fellowship hall. Lunch will be provided, a donation of \$7 accepted to cover cost.

The morning starts with a business panel that will give people a chance to get in tune with the present amount of solar development in the state. We will then take a look at the new “duel metering” pilot that TVA is offering “Generation Partners” to understand how that might impact the situation. During lunch Steve Kalland of the NC Solar Center will discuss incentives that can increase solar development. We will then break into small groups to discuss ideas on how to promote solar in TN. We will finish by bringing the discussion back to the full group and identify next steps.

## Agenda

10:00 Welcome and Introductions – Sam DeLay, President, TSEA

10:10 Review agenda – Gil Melear-Hough, SACE

10:15 Business Panel – 10 minutes each followed by Q & A.  
Sandy Fox - Big Frog Mountain, Ron Kenedi - SHARP PV  
Manager, Dave Hollister - Sundance Power Systems and Jeff  
Tallman - Wells Fargo.

11:30 Generation Partners – Introduction of the new TVA  
program, followed by Q & A– Matt Gregory and Ed Colston.

12:30 Lunch break – Get your food and prepare to listen as you  
eat.

12:45 Lunch talk – Key Note Speaker: Steve Kalland, Associate  
Director of Policy at the NC Solar Center.

1:30 Small groups

2:15 Group leaders share the results of the small group discussions

2:45 Full group discussion

3:20 Identify next steps – Stephen Smith, SACE

3:45 Summary and hand out evaluation forms

4pm Thank you – Clinton Berry, TN Energy Office

## **Cover Picture**

Jeff Christian of ORNL tours a large crowd through the featured Building America ZEB house on the 2002 National Solar Buildings Tour on October 5, 2002.

## **Meeting Sponsors**

**Southern Alliance for Clean Energy (SACE)** is a not-for-profit, organization working with citizens for clean air, clean water and healthy communities in the Southeast by promoting the efficient use of energy, clean energy technologies, sustainable energy policies, and by holding polluters to higher standards. SACE coordinates the Million Solar Roof (MSR) Initiative in Tennessee to lower the barriers preventing solar power development,

**The Tennessee Solar Energy Association (TSEA)** is a nonprofit organization originally incorporated at MTSU in 1977 and revitalized in 1997 by a group of activists. Membership in the TSEA can provide an avenue for persons who have the desire to actively participate in the progress of solar technologies.

## **Reservations**

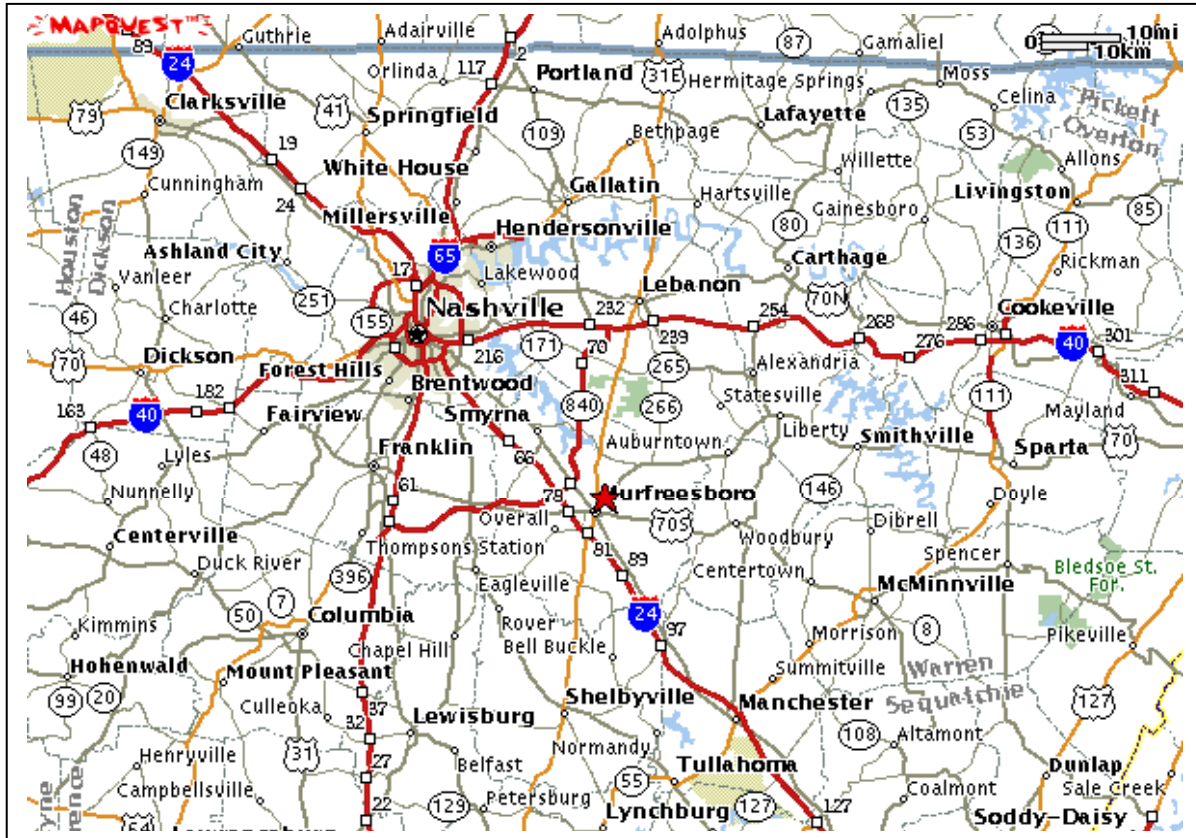
\* RSVP would be appreciated a week in advance. Please contact Gil Melear-Hough at Phone (865) 637- 6055 ext.15; Fax (865) 524- 4479 or email [gil@cleanenergy.org](mailto:gil@cleanenergy.org) Please contact ahead of time any food preferences.

## **Hotel Suggestions**

There are several hotels conveniently located off exit 81 in Murfreesboro. Calling 1-800-327-9407 can make reservations for any of these or others

- Ramada Limited located at 1855 S. Church St
- Howard Johnson Express Inn at 2424 S. Church St

## Map



## Directions

I-24 has two exits in Murfreesboro – exit 81 is the most direct to MTSU

-From Nashville take I-24E toward Chattanooga to exit 81-b

-From Chattanooga take I-24W toward Nashville to exit 81

-From Knoxville take I-40W to Nashville then merge onto I-24E toward Chattanooga to exit 81-b

-From Memphis take I-40E to Nashville then merge onto I-24E toward Chattanooga to exit 81-b

## Directions Once in Murfreesboro

- Exit 81 merges into Church Street (if coming from Chattanooga on I-24W take a right at the light)
- Follow Church Street through 2-3 lights until you reach the light at Samsonite / Sanbyrn – take a right (there will be train tracks immediately after the turn)
- Follow this road (it will change names to Tennessee Blvd) after 4 lights you will begin to see MTSU on the right
- Go to next light (after Faulkinberry) at Greenland and turn left. Building is on corner of Greenland and Fairview.
- The meeting is in the Belle Aire Building, Fellowship Hall, 820 Fairview (Corner of Greenland and Fairview)

