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Novogradac & Company LLP's Financing Renewable Energy Conference to be Held at the Four Seasons, Washington, D.C., November 12-13, 2009

San Francisco, Calif. — The billions of dollars in Advanced Energy Manufacturing Tax Credits (MTCs) created by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and recent IRS guidance have the renewable energy tax credit (RETC) industry abuzz. Join Novogradac & Company LLP at the Four Seasons, Washington D.C. for the **Financing Renewable Energy Conference** to discuss the Section 1603 program's first round of \$550 million in allocations as well as other developments and factors influencing the program, and learn how to move to the forefront of this dynamic industry. The November 12 and 13 event will provide attendees with valuable networking opportunities, a platform on which to exchange ideas and the ability to further their knowledge and understanding of the existing programs and incentives.

“The RETC industry contains tremendous potential and opportunities that are ripe for the picking for those who possess a firm understanding of the program,” says Stephen B. Tracy, conference chairman and partner in the San Francisco office of Novogradac & Company LLP. “This event seeks to educate practitioners and offer participants a comprehensive learning package — including knowledgeable speakers with real-life experience, focused sessions that break the numerous incentives into digestible pieces and networking opportunities that are so critical in today's world.”

Conference-goers can look forward to an agenda filled with hard-hitting, substantive topics. Attendees will start off in the thick of things with an assessment of the Recovery Act, learning how it has changed the game, how the industry has responded and how veteran practitioners score it. Leading experts will then delve into the renewable energy markets, examining the factors driving today's transactions and discussing current trends in the solar and wind industries.

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Additionally, panelists will take a long look at the popular finance structures that are being used – the sale leaseback, the lease-pass-through and the partnership “flip;” provide an overview of the Department of Energy Loan Guarantee Program and other lending solutions available to renewable energy developers; debate the benefits, issues and intricacies of pairing subsidies; and close out the conference with an interactive session to which attendees are invited to bring legal and accounting questions and concerns.

Attendees will be able to mix and mingle with colleagues and speakers during the many networking breaks, between sessions and at the reception held Thursday evening from 5:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The two-day event is worth 7 CPE credits.

For those looking to come especially prepared, a one-day pre-conference **Renewable Energy Tax Credit Basics** workshop will be held Wednesday, November 11. This course is ideal for industry newcomers as well as those looking for a refresher course. Registration is separate and optional. Additional fees apply.

The **Financing Renewable Energy Conference** is co-hosted by Chadbourne & Parke LLP, Nixon Peabody LLP, Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP and U.S. Bank and is sponsored by Bryan Cave LLP and United Fund Advisors; media sponsors include energG Alternative Sources Magazine and New Energy Finance.

Conference details and the complete conference agenda can be found at www.novoco.com/events.

Novogradac & Company LLP, a national certified public accounting and consulting firm headquartered in San Francisco, Calif., has consistently been named by *Accounting Today* and *Public Accounting Report* as one of the top accounting firms in the country. *Inside Public Accounting* named it as one of the 25 best managed accounting firms and the *San Francisco Business Times* recognizes it as one of only five companies that for five consecutive years has made its list of the Fastest Growing Companies in the Bay Area.

In addition to its headquarters in San Francisco, Calif., the firm has offices in metro Atlanta, Ga., Washington, D.C. and Kansas City, Mo., as well as in Austin, Texas, Boston, Mass., Dover, Columbus and Cleveland, Ohio, Portland, Ore., New York, N.Y. and Long Beach, Calif. The firm maintains clients in a broad range of industries with major emphasis in the real estate sector, providing publicly and privately held national and multinational enterprises with a full spectrum of audit, tax, valuation, trust and litigation support, computer consulting and general consulting services.

For more information about Novogradac & Company LLP’s **Financing Renewable Energy Conference**, contact Jane Bowar Zastrow at 415.356.8034, or email jane.zastrow@novoco.com.

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