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**Novogradac & Company LLP To Hold Its Financing Renewable Energy Conference at the Ritz-Carlton, San Francisco, Calif., April 29-30, 2010**

**San Francisco, Calif.** — The desire for clean, renewable energy coupled with the Obama Administration’s focus on job creation has increased the renewable energy tax credit (RETC) industry’s efficacy as more emphasis is placed on strengthening the program. From the billions of dollars in Advanced Energy Manufacturing Tax Credits (MTCs) created by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to congressional support and pending legislation that would extend and improve the energy grant program, the industry is flush with possibility. Learn how to cash-in on these and other new opportunities at Novogradac & Company LLP’s **Financing Renewable Energy Conference**. Join industry practitioners—ranging from novice to veteran professional—at the Ritz-Carlton San Francisco, April 29-30 and further your knowledge while exchanging ideas and building partnerships with some of the industry’s best.

“We’re seeing exciting developments in the renewable energy industry and as an RETC practitioner I’m pleased to be part of such a dynamic program,” says Stephen B. Tracy, conference chairman and partner in the San Francisco office of Novogradac & Company LLP. “With the many incentives available, increased support of the program, and need for these types of projects, why not become involved in such a fertile industry? I encourage all with an interest or stake in financing renewable energy to attend this event because it’s the knowledgeable practitioner that can fully reap the rewards that the RETC program offers.”

Conference-goers can look forward to an agenda filled with timely and relevant topics. We’ll kick off with an update from Capitol Hill, addressing pending and passed legislation. A look at current developments will follow as veteran practitioners assess the market; discuss how the Recovery Act has changed the game at both the project and investor levels; locate done deals; explore the range of panel prices; and examine industry trends.

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Panelists will also explore Treasury grants, offering guidance on successful applications as well as any red flags; address today's challenges in energy valuation, including the who and why, cost and income approaches, and how to determine discount prices; debate the benefits, issues and intricacies of pairing subsidies; and close out the conference with an interactive session that will address attendees' legal and accounting questions and concerns. Attendees are invited to mix and mingle with colleagues and speakers during the many networking breaks between sessions and at the reception on Thursday evening from 5 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 workshop, **RETC Basics**, will be held Wednesday, April 28. 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 Nixon Peabody LLP and Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP. Among those sponsoring the event are: K&L Gates LLP, Lane Powell, Mitsubishi Electric, Polsinelli Shughart PC, United Fund Advisors and Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati; media sponsors include energG Alternative Sources Magazine, Bloomberg New Energy Finance and Seeking Alpha.

Conference details and the complete conference agenda can be found at [www.novoco.com/events](http://www.novoco.com/events).

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In addition to its San Francisco headquarters, 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.

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