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Vermont Renewable Energy Conference Sees Successful Growth

Burlington – Renewable Energy Vermont’s 5th Annual Conference on October 19th held at the Wyndham Hotel in Burlington grew its attendance by 25% with 380 attendees. Renewable Energy Vermont’s Director, Andrew Perchlik stated “ We’ve seen tremendous response from attendees and business exhibitors to this conference over the last few year. Like the renewable energy industry as a whole, our conference is seeing rocketing growth”

The conference featured twenty-five presentations on solar, wind, micro-hydro, geothermal heating and cooling, and biomass renewable energy solutions. There were also twenty-seven exhibits and displays from all types of renewable energy companies

Renewable Energy Vermont awarded four of its annual awards at the conference. The following awards were presented at the conference:

Senator James Jeffords was awarded the Renewable Energy Person of the Year Award for a distinguished career of leadership in promoting renewable energy and advancing solutions to global warming

Speaker Gaye Symington was awarded the Legislative Renewable Energy Champion Award In recognition of her leadership in the Vermont House of Representatives in creating a sound and sustainable energy future in Vermont

Afram Patt and the Washington Electric Cooperative was awarded the Renewable Energy Industry Champion Award for being a strong advocate for renewable energy and for the creation of new renewable energy generation in Vermont

Jeffery Wolfe was also awarded a Renewable Energy Industry Champion Award for successfully promoting solar energy and for his leadership in creating a strong and vibrant renewable energy industry in Vermont

David Hill, Chairmen of the Renewable Energy Vermont Board of Directors said of the awards “We are fortunate to have such strong leaders in Vermont promoting renewable energy and it is important that these leaders be recognized for their important achievements in creating a sound and sustainable energy future for Vermont.

The conference ended with a lively debate on Vermont energy policy between Governor Jim Douglas and Scudder Parker.

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