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## **Public Invited to Clean Energy Fair**

HONOLULU -- With the State looking into ways of making Hawaii more energy-sustainable, Senator Pohai Ryan is inviting the public to a Clean Energy Fair, which will be **held on Saturday, March 31, 2012 at the Hawaii National Guard Training Center in Bellows from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon.** 

"I am hosting this event because I believe it is important for residents to be informed of the different forms of clean energy available," said Senator Pohai Ryan, who represents District 25, encompassing Hawaii Kai, Waimanalo, Keolu Hills, Lanikai and Kailua. "This is the perfect opportunity for residents to learn about the direction our State is headed when it comes to renewable energy. It will also give them a chance to learn about the role major utilities are playing in delivering clean energy to our residents."

Guest speakers include representatives from the different types of renewable energy disciplines, such as sea water air conditioning, solar, wave energy and wind. Experts from the clean energy industry will also be on-hand to answer questions at their informational booths.

The event is free for the public to attend.

Here is the schedule for the event:

- 8:30 a.m. Welcome
- 8:40 a.m. Honolulu SeaWater Air Conditioning, Frederick Berg Honolulu SeaWater Air Conditioning, LLC is currently developing a 25-thousand ton seawater air conditioning district cooling system for commercial and residential properties in downtown Honolulu.

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## 9:15 a.m. First Wind, Kekoa Kaluhiwa

First Wind is an independent wind energy company exclusively focused on the development, financing, construction, ownership and operation of utility-scale wind energy projects in the United States. Headquartered in Boston, MA, the company focuses on developing and operating wind energy projects in the Northeastern and Western regions of the U.S., and also in Hawaii.

## 9:50 a.m. Wave Energy, State House of Representative Cynthia Thielen

Representative Cynthia Thielen is a tireless advocate for the implementation of wave energy in Hawai'i, and recently co-sponsored legislation which enables the state to aggressively pursue the goals set forth in the Hawaii Clean Energy Initiative. Last year, she spoke at a five-day European Wave and Tidal Energy Conference held in England.

## 10:25 a.m. Solar City, Jon Yoshimura

SolarCity is a national company in clean energy services. It makes clean energy available to homeowners, businesses, schools, non-profits and government organizations at a lower cost than they pay for energy generated by burning fossil fuels like coal, oil and natural gas.

- 11:05 a.m. **Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism, Energy Office, Mark Glick** Mark Glick will be speaking on behalf of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor on the development of the interisland cable. The role of the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism's Hawaii State Energy Office is to provide a catalyst through investment, policy, and regulatory frameworks that enable the development of clean energy businesses, projects and the growth of new jobs for Hawaii.
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