

GREEN BAY ELECTRICAL WORKERS

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Media Invitation

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**Green Bay Electrical Workers continue advanced solar training;
Cerebral Palsy, Inc (the local CP Center) receives Benefit!**

Green Bay, WI – On Friday, May 13th, 2011 (weather permitting), a group of recent graduates of the WISCONSIN IBEW/NECA ADVANCED PV for JOURNEYMAN ELECTRICIANS class will continue the path towards PV Installer Certification from NABCEP (North American Board of Certified Energy Practitioners) and meet the definition of Focus on Energy's Full Service Installer by installing a 19.6 KW PV (photovoltaic) system at the CP Center.

Where: CP Center, 2801 South Webster Avenue, Green Bay

When: Friday May 13th, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. (weather permitting)

Rain Date ~ Saturday May 14th 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

The collaborative effort of many organizations, including Eland Electric Corporation of Green Bay, IBEW (International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers) Local 158, iCanConserve, Wisconsin Focus on Energy, and Wisconsin Public Service, has been instrumental in the planning and implementation of the project. IBEW Local 158 has teamed up with Eland Electric Corporation of Green Bay to provide the labor for a PV system that will substantially reduce energy costs for the CP Center, without utilizing donor dollars. In addition to providing the members of IBEW Local 158 another occasion to give back to the community, it will also present a much needed opportunity for the "hands-on" training needed to achieve advanced certification. The system will be installed on Friday May 13th, 2011 starting at 7 a.m. and if necessary will be completed on Saturday, May 14th (weather permitting). Over 250 members of the IBEW have already acquired the NABCEP Certificate of Knowledge, and several more have received their PV Installer Certification.

Representatives from the Green Bay Electrical Workers, Eland Electric, Focus on Energy and the CP Center, will all be on hand to provide commentary, answer questions, and provide opportunity to capture, on film, the installation process.

There is no other organization in Wisconsin that has trained more Journeyman Electricians, qualified to install photovoltaic systems than the IBEW.

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