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Green Launching Pad To Announce Second Round Of Funding At Community Day Nov. 15

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DURHAM, N.H. – The Green Launching Pad, a University of New Hampshire and State of New Hampshire program focused on creating new energy-related jobs in the Granite State and broadening economic opportunities, will announce the second year of funding available to entrepreneurs with new green business ideas in the areas such as clean/renewable energy, energy efficiency, energy conservation, and emission reduction.

The announcement will be made Monday, Nov. 15, 2010, at the Green Launching Pad Community Day, which will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Marriott Residence Inn in Portsmouth.

Seventy-one companies applied for funding in the first year of the program, with five New Hampshire companies selected to receive funding: [Revolution Energy](#) of Dover, [INNOVACENE](#) of Durham, [Green Clean Heat LLC](#) of Newton, [EnerTrac, Inc.](#) of Hudson, and [Air Power Analytics](#) of Bedford.

The projects selected in the first year received up to \$60,000 each in funding and accelerated business development support, including mentorship and coaching from technology, engineering and services industry professionals and seasoned entrepreneurs as well as professional, legal and management advice, networking with funders and supporting businesses, access to office and meeting spaces, and critical operating support from the university.

The Green Launching Pad Community Day will include several speakers who will focus on energy, economy, and environment and the opportunities for economic development in the state of New Hampshire and presentations by the five companies selected for funding in the first year. The event is free and open to the public. To register, visit <http://glpcommunityday.eventbrite.com/>.

Founded in 2010, the Green Launching Pad is a strategic partnership of the University of New Hampshire and New Hampshire Office of Energy and Planning, with funding from the U.S. Department of Energy. The Green Launching Pad is focused on creating new energy-related jobs in the Granite State and broadening economic opportunities. The organization connects entrepreneurs and private industry with technical, scientific and business faculty, students and state-level resources to successfully launch and accelerate the growth of new green businesses. To learn more about the Green Launching Pad, visit www.GreenLaunchingPad.org

UNH is a leader in conserving energy, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and integrating sustainability throughout its curricula, operations, research, and engagement efforts. UNH has earned many accolades for its sustainability initiatives, including awards and recognition from the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education, Sustainable Endowments Institute, Sierra Club, Princeton Review, and Business NH Magazine. Highlights of its sustainability commitment include EcoLine™, an innovative landfill gas-to-energy project that will provide up to 85 percent of the university's energy needs; Green Launching Pad, partnership with the State of New Hampshire to bring green technologies to the marketplace; having the largest transit system in the state; being the first in the nation to receive an EPA Energy Star building rating for residence halls; a new EcoGastronomy dual major; a graduate certificate in sustainability politics and policy; and innovative research and engagement efforts like Carbon Solutions New England and the NH Farm to School program.

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