Brookhaven to Take Part in Community Solar NY Program To Support Growth of Photovoltaic Investment Under NY-Sun
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Solarize Program Offers Limited-Time Discounts to Local Residents; Kick-Off Workshop to Take Place on September 12

Farmingville, NY – Brookhaven and its partners Suffolk County Community College and Renewable Energy Long Island will take part in Community Solar NY, a program that will make investing in solar power easier and more affordable for local residents and businesses. The Solarize Brookhaven program will kick off with a workshop on Saturday September 12 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Brookhaven Town Hall Auditorium at One Independence Hill in Farmingville. Residents and business owners who are interested in learning more about Solarize Brookhaven are urged to attend. More information about Solarize Brookhaven can be found by visiting www.brookhaven.org or by contacting SUNation Solar at 631-750-9454.

Community Solar NY makes implementing solar easier and more affordable by supporting locally-organized community outreach aimed at getting a critical mass of area homes and businesses to install solar and obtain competitive pricing, thereby lowering the cost. Historically, Solarize campaigns have historically lowered the cost of solar 10 to 20 percent.

After a thorough pre-qualification process, Solarize Brookhaven has selected SUNation Solar Systems of Oakdale as the designated solar installer for Solarize Brookhaven. Residents and businesses who sign up for solar installations will be able to take advantage of group rates below market prices. The more customers who sign up, the lower the price will be for everyone.

Supervisor Romaine said, “Earlier this year, I announced my Energy Efficiency and Sustainability Initiative as part of a five-year plan to reduce 50% of the Town’s greenhouse gas emissions by 2020. I’m also asking Brookhaven residents and business owners to join me and do the same. This program will give people the opportunity to make a positive impact on the environment and save money on energy bills. I encourage those who are interested to attend our kick-off event and take advantage of this great opportunity.”

"SUNation is proud to be chosen to work with The Town of Brookhaven and NYSERDA to bring affordable, high-quality solar systems to Brookhaven residents." said Mike Bailis, Co-Founder and Chief Sales Officer of SUNation Solar Systems. "We will strive to exceed all expectations and make the Solarize Brookhaven Program the best in the State."

Solarize Brookhaven is supported by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) under Governor Andrew M. Cuomo’s NY-Sun initiative. NY-Sun will invest up to $1 billion in solar power through 2023 to significantly expand solar installations across the State, ultimately transforming New York’s solar industry to become self-sustaining.

Under NY-Sun, the growth of solar in New York State has increased more than 300 percent from 2011 to 2014, which is twice the rate of U.S. solar growth overall. A total of 314.48 megawatts of solar electric was installed as of December 2014 across the state, equivalent to powering more than 51,000 homes.