

SOLAR MEETING

RO: 11PM WED 7/19

[ASHLEY]

A COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP IN BANGOR HELPS REDUCE THE COST OF SOLAR POWER EQUIPMENT

[VO]

TEAMING UP WITH INSOURCE RENEWABLES, A SOLAR AND HEAT PUMP COMPANY IN PITTSFIELD, GREATER BANGOR SOLARIZE WAS LAUNCHED WITH AN INFORMATIONAL MEETING WEDNESDAY NIGHT IN BANGOR.

THE PARTNERSHIP ENCOURAGES LOCAL PROPERTY OWNERS TO INSTALL A SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM BEFORE THE END OF 2017 BY SIGNING A CONTRACT BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30TH, YOU'LL QUALIFY FOR BULK PRICING , WHICH IS THE DRIVING FORCE BEHIND LOWERING THE COST OF SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS THROUGH THE SOLARIZE PROGRAM.

[SOT]**[TIME CUE:/18/]**

[WHAT WE ARE DOING THROUGH THE SOLARIZE PROGRAM...IT'S A BULK PURCHASE PROGRAM WHERE YOU COME TOGETHER WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS AND WE'RE ABLE TO REDUCE THE COST. WE'RE HERE WITH PENOBSCOT ENERGY PERFORMANCE, WHO IS ALSO PART OF THE GREATER BANGOR SOLARIZE PROGRAM, WHO'S GOING TO BE OFFERING DISCOUNTS ON WEATHERIZATION]

[VO]

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE SOLARIZE PROGRAM VISIT GREATER BANGOR SOLARIZE DOT ORG OR CALL INSOURCE RENEWABLES AT SIX FIVE NINE, TEN FIFTY FOUR

SOLAR OVERRIDE

RO: FRI-YAY 6 AM 7/21

[GINA]

LAWMAKERS IN AUGUSTA ARE STILL DISCUSSING THE SOLAR
OVERRIDE BILL THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE VOTED ON EARLIER
THURSDAY.

[VO]

THIS BILL IS TRYING TO REPEAL A PROVISION THAT ALLOWS PEOPLE
TO PRODUCE AND USE THEIR OWN SOLAR ENERGY WITHOUT BEING
TAXED FOR IT.

GOVERNOR LEPAGE VETOED THE BILL BECAUSE OF HIS STANCE ON
SOLAR ENERGY GIVING ADVOCATES BREAKS.

[SOT]

[TIME CUE:/11SECS]

[IF THE LEGISLATORS DOESN'T TAKE ACTION THAT RULE WOULD
TAKE AFFECT AT THE END OF THIS YEAR AND THAT HAS A LOT OF
PROVISIONS IN IT THAT ARE HARMFUL TO RATE PAYERS - MAKE IT
HARDER TO INSTALL SOLAR IN THE STATE.]

[SUPER:/DYLAN VOORHEESE/CLEAN ENERGY
DIRECTOR, NATURAL RESOURCES COUNCIL
OF MAINE]

[VO]

ACCORDING TO THE THOSE AT THE NATURAL RESOURCES COUNCIL
OF MAINE -- THE STATE IS THE LAST TO INSTALL SOLAR IN THE
REGION.

WATERVILLE SOLAR

RO: 10PM TUES 8/8

[ASHLEY]

A LARGE SCALE SOLAR PROJECT IS IN THE MAKING IN WATERVILLE.

[VO]

THE CITY HAS TEAMED UP WITH A MAINE BASED ENERGY COMPANY TO LOOK AT REDEVELOPING A CAPPED LANDFILL SITE ON WEBB ROAD.

THE 140 ACRE SITE IS CURRENTLY SITTING UNUSED...COSTING THE CITY MONEY TO MAINTAIN.

BUT SOON, IT BE HOME TO A 20-MEGAWATT PROJECT.

[SOT]

[TIME CUE:0:10/]

[SO IT ALSO HOLDS SOME NICE POTENTIAL FOR BEING A MODEL FOR OTHER COMMUNITITES, OTHER TOWNS, CITIES AND NOT JUST HERE IN MAINE BUT ACROSS THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES.]

[VO]

THE PROJECT IS STILL IN THE EARLIER PLANNING STAGES. DIFFERENT TESTS WILL BE CONDUCTED THROUGHOUT THE NEXT YEAR...AS WELL AS PERMITTING BY THE DEVELOPER.

BIZ THURS

RO: THURS 7 AM 8/17

[BLAKE]

A BIG ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE MAKER OF AMERICA'S MOST POPULAR WINTER BOOTS.

PLUS A POTENTIAL BOOST FOR JOBS IN THE UNITED STATES. WITH YOUR THURSDAY BUSINESS HERE'S LEO JONASON

[PKG]**[TIME CUE:/1:06/]****[SUPER:/]**

[STOCKS ROSE SLIGHTLY WEDNESDAY AS URBAN OUTFITTERS AND TARGET HELPED RETAILERS RALLY, OFFSETTING ENERGY COMPANIES' LOSSES.]

[THE DOW JONES GAINED 25 POINTS, THE NASDAQ TWELVE, THE S&P 500 THREE.]

[LL BEAN IS BOOSTING PRODUCTION OF IT'S ICONIC BOOT.]

[THE MAINE BASED RETAILER IS UNVEILING A NEW MANUFACTURING CENTER TODAY WHICH WILL PRODUCE IT'S "DUCK BOOT" TO KEEP UP WITH DEMAND.]

[L.L BEAN HOPES TO PRODUCE A MILLION PAIRS OF THEM NEXT YEAR.]

[THE WISCONSIN STATE ASSEMBLY IS SET TO APPROVE A TAX BREAK FOR FOXCONN TECHNOLOGY TO BUILD A FACTORY IN THEIR STATE. IF APPROVED, THE PLANT WOULD BE THE FIRST OUTSIDE ASIA FOR LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY PANELS USED IN TV'S AND COMPUTERS. THE DEAL CALLS FOR THE TAIWAN BASED GIANT TO INVEST 10 BILLION DOLLARS AND HIRE UP TO 13-THOUSAND WORKERS IN WISCONSIN.]

[AND JIM HACKETT, THE NEW CEO OF FORD MOTOR COMPANY SAYS HE'S EXCITED ABOUT HIS COMPANY'S FUTURE. HE SAYS THE AUTOMAKER IS BUYING A SHUTTLE COMPANY AS WELL AS AN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE STARTUP. HE ALSO SAID NEW VEHICLES ARE IN THE PIPELINE THAT WILL MAKE DEALERS AND BUYERS HAPPY. FORD'S U.S. SALES WERE DOWN FOUR PERCENT THROUGH JULY.]

[WITH YOUR THURSDAY BUSINESS ON ABC 7, I'M LEO JONASON]

FUEL ASSISTANCE

RO: 10PM FRI 9/1

[CRAIG]

WITH THE COOLER WEATHER OVER THE PAST FEW DAYS... IT'S SAFE TO SAY THAT SUMMER IS COMING TO AN END AND WINTER IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER....

WHICH MEANS.... THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN HANCOCK AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES WILL NEED TO CHOOSE BETWEEN HEATING THEIR HOMES AND PURCHASING FOOD....

[VO]

THE WASHINGTON - HANCOCK COMMUNITY AGENCY IS OFFERING ITS CLIENTS A NEW SERVICE... ONE THAT DOESN'T REQUIRE THEM TO TRAVEL FAR....

BECAUSE THE RURAL GEOGRAPHY AND ABILITY TO TRAVEL CAN BE OBSTACLES FOR THEIR CLIENTS ... THEY BELIEVE SOME ARE NOT SIGNING UP FOR FUEL ASSISTANCE....

SO THEIR CLIENTS ARE NOW ABLE TO ABLE TO SIGN UP OVER THE PHONE -

[SOT]**[TIME CUE:/12secs/]**

[THIS WAS IT KIND OF GIVES THEM MORE FREEDOM... TO DO IT AT THEIR PACE... SO THAT PERHAPS THEY WILL FEEL MORE COMFORTABLE... THEY'LL BE ABLE TO DO IT FROM THEIR HOMES AND WE'LL BE ABLE TO GET IT DONE... I'D LIKE TO THINK, A LOT QUICKER.]

[TIME CUE:/LEE HARDISON/ENERGY SERVICES DIRECTOR, WHCA]

[VO]

PEOPLE ARE ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER FOR THEIR APPOINTMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THEY CAN GET THEIR BENEFIT BEFORE IT GETS TOO COLD.