



HAWAII PV COALITION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
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The state of Hawaii is more dependent on imported fossil fuel than any other state in the nation. And while Hawaii residents can take pride in the Aloha State having more solar thermal systems per capita than any other state, the adoption of solar electric applications has been slow and limited by comparison. In light of the abundant sunshine, exceedingly high electric rates and substantial tax credit incentives, we should be leading the way toward the wide scale use of photovoltaic applications. The Hawaii PV Coalition, made up of businesses and homeowners, was formed to actively promote the solar electric agenda across our islands. Working with legislators, government agencies, utility companies, and public interest groups, the Coalition is pushing to make Hawaii more energy independent while creating more jobs in the renewable energy sector.

The Hawaii PV Coalition was formed in 2005 to support the greater use and more rapid diffusion of solar electric applications across the state. Working with business owners, homeowners and local and national stakeholders in the PV industry, the Coalition has also taken part in discussions with the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission and Hawaii Energy Forum in an effort to move the PV agenda forward. The results of this education and lobbying efforts have been positive as supportive legislation was passed and signed into law over the past two years. This legislation includes raising the state business and residential tax credit amounts for PV applications, adopting Renewable Energy Portfolio standards, increasing the size of the PV and other renewable energy systems to qualify for net metering and giving the PUC the authority to establish a progressive state buy-down program to further accelerate the adoption of grid-connected renewable energy systems.

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