



EPA Chief Lisa Jackson to Headline 2012 Energy Symposium at Richard Stockton College of New Jersey

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Galloway Twp., NJ – United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Lisa Jackson will address energy industry leaders and advocates on Feb. 22 at Richard Stockton College of New Jersey's daylong Energy Symposium.

The symposium, scheduled from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Stockton's new Campus Center, is the second to be sponsored by the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy.

The event's theme, in keeping with Stockton's 40th anniversary, will be "Energy 40/40: Looking Back 40 Years and Looking Forward 40 Years." Speakers will discuss policy changes since gasoline was 36 cents a gallon and nuclear power plants were just starting in New Jersey and will project how growth patterns and alternative energy may affect the future.

Jackson was commissioner of the N.J. Department of Environmental Protection when President Obama appointed her to head the Environmental Protection Agency after his election in 2008. Jackson had previously worked as a scientist in the EPA Region 2 New York office.

The commissioner is expected to take questions following her morning speech. Topics covered in symposium panels will range from fracking to fission, including nuclear power, alternative energy, and energy issues in building construction. An interactive session will explore energy decision making.

“This event puts energy industry leaders, experts, and activists together in one room to discuss the energy issues facing New Jersey,” said Daniel J. Douglas, director of the Hughes Center.

Scheduled speakers include:

- Jim Benton, Executive Director, New Jersey Petroleum Council
- Daniel Cohen, CEO, Fishermen's Energy
- Denise Foster, Vice President, State and Member Services, PJM
- Michael Fuhrman, MCFA Planning
- Patrick Hossay, Associate Professor of Sustainability, Stockton College
- Donald Moore, Associate Vice President, Stockton College
- Ben Parvey, CEO, Blue Sky Power
- Darlene Pope, CEO, CoRAdvisors
- David Pringle, Campaign Director, New Jersey Environmental Federation
- Joe Sullivan, Vice President, Energy Policy and Development, Concord Engineering
- Jim Walsh, Eastern Regional Director, Food and Water Watch.
- Zoltan Szabo, United States Geological Survey

The registration fee of \$40 per person and \$10 for senior citizens includes continental breakfast and lunch and provides access to all symposium sessions.

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