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Clean Energy Group and Geli Announce Plan to Advance Solar+Storage in Low-Income Communities

Clean Energy Group will offer free training and assistance to nonprofit organizations interested in using Geli's new online energy storage and solar+storage system design tool.

Montpelier, VT – Clean Energy Group, a national, nonprofit organization, will work with the energy storage control and monitoring software company, [Geli](#), to help bring the benefits of solar PV with battery storage (solar+storage) technologies to more low-income and otherwise disadvantaged communities. Using Geli's new online energy storage and solar+storage design and assessment tool, [ESyst](#), Clean Energy Group will provide free training and support to nonprofit organizations evaluating solar+storage solutions for low-income communities.

Through its [Resilient Power Project](#), Clean Energy Group works to accelerate market development and deployment of solar+storage for affordable housing and critical community facilities in disadvantaged communities. Solar+storage can help strengthen these communities both through ensuring more reliable power to support critical services during extended power outages and to reduce the economic burden of rising energy costs. The goal of the work is to further clean energy equity by ensuring that all communities have equal access to the economic, health, and resiliency benefits that solar+storage technologies can provide.

“Our work with Geli will help to level the clean energy playing field in low-income communities,” said Seth Mullendore, a project director with Clean Energy Group. “With ESyst, we’ll be able to give communities the knowledge and free tools to explore solar+storage options without having to rely on proprietary industry models or expensive engineering firms. Low-income community leaders can use the tool to get a good understanding of the economics of a proposed project before reaching out to developers.”

Geli announced the nationwide launch of ESyst in April. With access to over 10,000 electric rate tariffs across 1,300 U.S. utility service territories, ESyst was developed to standardize and simplify the process of sizing energy storage and solar+storage systems for commercial and industrial properties. The free online tool lets users perform in-depth site analyses in a matter of

minutes – calculating both a property’s energy and demand charges savings over time. The tool allows users to select from multiple system options according to project needs, financial parameters, and supplier preferences, and includes functionality to download full financial pro formas and a detailed breakdown of how the system will generate value.

“Geli is proud to collaborate with Clean Energy Group to help bring low-cost, reliable sources of energy to low-income communities,” added Dr. Ryan Wartena, Geli co-founder and president. “Community facilities can benefit from both the bill savings provided by solar+storage systems as well as the ability to provide energy to what are often sources of shelter during an emergency.”

Clean Energy Group will host a free webinar with Geli to introduce ESyst and walk through an example of how to use the platform to analyze an affordable housing property on Wednesday, May 24, at 1pm ET. For more information about this webinar and to register, visit www.cleanegroup.org/webinar/esyst-optimizing-energy-storage-savings-gelis-new-online-tool.

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Clean Energy Group is a leading national, nonprofit advocacy organization working on innovative technology, finance, and policy programs in the areas of clean energy and climate change. Clean Energy Group also manages the Clean Energy States Alliance (CESA), a coalition of state and municipal clean energy funds. The Resilient Power Project, a joint initiative of Clean Energy Group and Meridian Institute, is designed to help states and municipalities with program and policy information, analysis, financial tools, technical assistance, and best practices to speed the deployment of clean, resilient power systems in their communities. For more information, visit www.cleanegroup.org and www.resilient-power.org.

About Geli

Geli, which stands for Growing Energy Labs, Inc., provides software and business solutions to design, automate, and manage energy storage and solar-plus-storage systems. Geli’s suite of products creates an ecosystem where project developers, OEMs, financiers, and project operators can deploy advanced energy projects using a seamless hardware-agnostic software platform. Geli is headquartered in San Francisco, California, and has offices in Melbourne, Australia and New York, New York. Learn more at www.geli.net.