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NOMINATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR ENERGY STORAGE INNOVATION AWARDS

Berkeley, CA - May 28, 2014 - Energy Storage North America (ESNA), the most influential gathering of policy, technology and market leaders in energy storage, is seeking project nominations for its 2014 Innovation Awards.

The annual ESNA Awards celebrate excellence in project development and recognize the entities investing in innovative energy storage systems that contribute to a cleaner, more efficient and reliable electric power system.

In 2013, Alameda County was awarded ENSA's Award of Excellence and Innovation in Energy Storage for its Smart Grid Demonstration Project at Santa Rita Jail in Dublin. The first system of its kind in the country, the Smart Grid ensures Santa Rita will have a supply of reliable electricity for its daily operations and security, while its built-in efficiencies are saving Alameda County taxpayers approximately \$100,000 in annual energy costs.

As last year's awardee, Alameda County encourages others who have recently installed innovative battery storage projects to submit a nomination for this award and potentially be recognized as an industry leader for integrating battery storage at your facilities. This year's ESNA Award winners will be honored at the 2014 ESNA Awards Ceremony on October 1, 2014, during the Energy Storage North America Conference and Expo at the San Jose Convention Center. The deadline to submit projects for an ESNA Innovation Award is July 1, 2014. To nominate a project, please complete this form, and submit it to awards@esnaexpo.com, or visit <http://esnaexpo.com/awards>. The ESNA Advisory Board will nominate the Energy Storage Champions and the winners will be announced on October 1, 2014.