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### **Northwest Energy Angels Invests Over \$1.3 Million in 11 Cleantech Start-Ups *Power of Angel Investing Workshop to Educate New Investors***

Seattle, WA – January 25, 2011 – The [Northwest Energy Angels](#), the Pacific Northwest's only angel group focused exclusively on providing early-stage capital to cleantech entrepreneurs, saw significant innovation and new early-stage companies within the cleantech sector in 2010, despite the weakened economy. The angel group witnessed an increase in company applications and investment deals made by its members, closing out the year with 11 significant investment deals worth over \$1.3 million.

“Our mission is to foster a vibrant cleantech industry in the Pacific Northwest by connecting promising entrepreneurs with experienced cleantech investors,” said Byron McCann, co-chair of Northwest Energy Angels. “We’re extremely excited by the number of cleantech innovations that we saw over the last year, coupled with the interest and growth in membership.”

Since its inception in 2006, the Northwest Energy Angels have invested over \$3.5 million in 23 regionally-based cleantech companies. This year the group welcomed 16 new investors bringing the group's total to nearly 50 members. In 2010, the Northwest Energy Angels invested in 11 cleantech companies, four of which were follow-on rounds to a previous investment.

#### **New Investments**

- **EMME** – [www.getemme.com](http://www.getemme.com)  
EMME delivers an affordable platform for optimal comfort and savings for light commercial and residential customers.
- **Full Circle Farm** – [www.fullcirclefarm.com](http://www.fullcirclefarm.com)  
Full Circle Farm combines the traditional values of local, organic farming with the scalability of a modern, multi-market, e-commerce distribution business.
- **G2B Ventures** – [www.GreenCanopyHomes.com](http://www.GreenCanopyHomes.com)  
G2B Holdings drives efficiency in existing homes and demonstrates solutions for neighbors to take action on efficiency solutions in their homes through its homebuilding company, Green Canopy Homes.
- **Hydrovolts, Inc.** – [www.hydrovolts.com](http://www.hydrovolts.com)  
Hydrovolts makes hydrokinetic turbines to generate renewable energy from water power for agriculture, industry and global sustainable development.
- **InvenTyS Thermal Technologies Inc.** – [www.inventysinc.com](http://www.inventysinc.com)  
InvenTyS is developing breakthrough CO2 capture technology to produce CO2 from industrial smokestacks for use in enhanced oil recovery applications.
- **Micro Energy Credits Corp** – [www.microenergycredits.com](http://www.microenergycredits.com)  
Micro Energy Credits links microfinance institutions to the carbon markets when they lend for clean energy creating an \$8 B market.
- **Skyline Innovations LLC** – [www.skylineinnovations.com](http://www.skylineinnovations.com)  
Skyline turns commercial rooftops into revenue-generating assets by developing clean power plants and sharing the value created with building owners.

**Follow-on investments:**

- **EnergySavvy** - [www.energysavvy.com](http://www.energysavvy.com)  
Salesforce for Energy Efficiency Programs, making energy efficiency easier and more accessible for homeowners.
- **Farm Power Northwest LLC** – [www.farmpower.com](http://www.farmpower.com)  
Farm Power Northwest produces renewable energy from cow manure, generating clean power while protecting local farms and the environment.
- **MicroGREEN Polymers, Inc.** – [www.microgreeninc.com](http://www.microgreeninc.com)  
MicroGreen Polymer's mission is to give the plastics industry & the world economically and ecologically viable advanced plastics technologies to promote sustainable living.
- **Rapid Electric Vehicles Inc. (REV)** – [www.rapidelectricvehicles.com](http://www.rapidelectricvehicles.com)  
REV develops and delivers unique electric fleet vehicles that can power equipment, buildings and the grid whenever and wherever they are plugged in.

In addition to supporting a vibrant cleantech industry, the group is also dedicated to continually educating and mentoring its members about smart angel investing. To help reach out to potential investors, the Northwest Energy Angels is hosting a full-day workshop dedicated to due diligence and valuation of early stage companies.

“The Power of Angel Investing” workshop will be held on Wednesday, February 2, 2011 from 8:00 – 5:00 pm at the Adobe Conference Center. The workshop will be facilitated by nationally recognized angel investor Bill Payne and customized for the Pacific Northwest with local expert panelists. To learn more and to register for the “Power of Angel Investing”, please visit [www.nwenergyangels.com/workshop](http://www.nwenergyangels.com/workshop)

**About Northwest Energy Angels**

Northwest Energy Angels, founded in 2006, is the first angel investment group in North America to focus exclusively on the cleantech industry. A non-profit organization, NW Energy Angels helps create successful cleantech companies by connecting promising entrepreneurs with experienced cleantech investors. NW Energy Angels members add value to the companies they invest in and act as a bridge to institutional investors. To date members have invested over \$3 million in 23 companies. For more information, visit <http://www.nwenergyangels.com/>.

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**Add'l Stats: Inception to December 2010**

New company submissions total: 144

Number of companies presented: 89

Number of companies that received first time investment from the group: 23

Companies that received follow-on investment: 5

Total amount invested to date: Over 3.5 million