



DETROIT RENEWABLE ENERGY RECEIVES GOLD AWARD FROM INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT ENERGY ASSOCIATION

Recognized for Largest Expansion of Sustainable and Reliable Energy Infrastructure in North America

Detroit, MI, August 17, 2015—[Detroit Renewable Energy](#) (DRE), owner and operator of the downtown Detroit district energy steam system, recently was honored by the International District Energy Association (IDEA) as a recipient of the Gold District Energy Award in the Most Square Feet added in North America Award category for the 2014 business year. DRE added 6,605,000 square feet of district energy infrastructure in the City of Detroit.

The award was presented at the 106th IDEA Annual Conference in Boston, Massachusetts, which brings together energy industry leaders from across North America and around the world.

"It's exciting to see more and more industry leaders embrace the value of steam energy in Detroit," said Steve White, CEO of Detroit Renewable Energy. "We are proud to be recognized for our work to expand our network of renewable energy to businesses throughout the city, but it is equally rewarding to be a leader in today's global renewable energy efforts."

In 2014, DRE's growth included steam network expansion to GM's Detroit-Hamtramck Assembly Plant, a new contract with Wayne State University's Pharmaceutical Sciences building, and the addition of Detroit Medical Center's new Cardiovascular Institute.

The IDEA annually compiles a publication entitled *District Energy Space* that asks participating energy system members to submit the number of buildings and total area that has been committed or recommitted to district energy service. Specifically, the publication details the year-to-year growth of new customer building space created by member district energy systems. At the IDEA Annual Conference, the member systems that submit the greatest amount of total square footage and greatest number of total buildings are recognized for their achievements.

For more information about DRE's district energy steam system, please visit <http://www.detroitthermal.com>.

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About Detroit Thermal LLC

Detroit Thermal LLC (www.detroitthermal.com), acquired by Detroit Renewable Energy LLC (www.detroitrenewable.com) in 2010, provides cost-effective, environmentally friendly energy to more than 145 buildings throughout downtown Detroit via steam primarily produced from renewable energy sources. Its extensive "district energy" system provides safe, reliable energy allowing building owners to eliminate boilers and furnaces and focus their resources on their core business.

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