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Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm to give keynotes address at 4th Annual Sunshine State Renewable Energy Expo on Captiva Island



Tallahassee- The Florida Renewable Energy Producers Association (FREPA) announce that Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm will give the keynote address at its 4th Annual Sunshine State Renewable Energy Expo and conference, joining FREPA President/CEO and Founder Michael Dobson at there 4th annual Conference. The conference will take place on July 27-29 2011 on Captiva island, Florida, a small island adjoining Sanibel island off of the coast of Ft. Myers Florida. The conference takes place at the South Seas Island Resort. Governor Granholm will attend and offer comments at a VIP dinner a on July 27th and will be giving the keynote address during lunch on July 28thM.

The following is taken from her official bio which is attached:

Jennifer Granholm was elected governor of Michigan 2002. In 2006, she was re-elected with the largest number of votes ever cast for governor in Michigan. As Governor, Granholm led the state through a brutal economic downturn that resulted from a meltdown in the automotive and manufacturing sectors. She worked relentlessly to diversify the state's economy, strengthen its auto industry, preserve the manufacturing sector, and add new, emerging sectors, such as clean energy, to Michigan's economic portfolio.

Governor Granholm is a Distinguished Practitioner of Law and Public Policy at the University of California, Berkeley. As a Senior Advisor to The Pew Charitable Trusts' Clean Energy Program, Granholm leads a national campaign that promotes clean energy policies that create jobs, stimulate innovation, spur investment, and enhance America's competitiveness in the global clean energy race. She's a regular contributor to NBC's political talk show, *Meet the Press*, is writing a book with her husband on the lessons Michigan's experience can offer to America, and serves on the board of directors of The Dow Chemical Company.



The Florida Renewable Energy Producers Association is a Tallahassee Florida based renewable energy business trade group that is dedicated to working with Florida leaders and its financial community to create a robust renewable energy and cleantech industry in the State of Florida that is open and competitive.

We are excited about this year's expo and our guests are looking forward to hearing from Governor Jennifer Granholm, who many believe has led the way in transforming and diversifying a state's economy with a focus on clean technology as a state's ultimate CEO, said FREPA President, Michael Dobson.

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