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## **Nadeau Corp. teams with U.S. Solar Works for green construction solutions**

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It's 2013. While we aren't all flying around on hover boards quite yet, interest in protecting the environment is growing exponentially and we're finding solutions for businesses that can not only help the planet, but save them money in the process. Call it green, call it sustainable, call it whatever you want. The fact is, there is technology out there and construction techniques that lessen energy dependency and lighten environmental impact. And at Nadeau Corp. Construction Development and Engineering, they have seen the light.

Non-residential green construction in the U.S. has grown from \$3 billion in 2005 to over \$43 billion in 2010 (Green Outlook 2011: Green Trends Driving Growth (New York, McGraw-Hill Construction, 2010)) For business owners, the main reason for making a "green" building decision isn't for the public relations benefit. In 10 out of 10 instances, it's because of the energy savings, rebates, and lowered costs to run your business. And there isn't anything wrong with being socially responsible AND saving money in the process. Thanks to rebates and programs put in place by the government, the two now go hand in hand.

As efficiency becomes much more commonplace in the commercial, industrial, and institutional sectors, general contractors either need to get up to speed or be left behind. Nadeau Corp. out of South Attleboro, Mass. has put themselves in a position to further assist their clients as this green trend becomes the new standard. Nadeau Corp. has teamed up with U.S. Solar Works, another forward-looking company headquartered in downtown Attleboro, to offer solar solutions to past, existing, and future clients.

Nadeau Corp. and U.S. Solar Works have put in place a program where business owners can call and have teams visit their location(s) for an energy audit. A complete feasibility study is done to calculate ROI and other crucial aspects of the project so that an intelligent decision can be made by the owner. It helps owners learn to think about business energy needs as a long-term financial investment with positive returns.

And while you can't get much for free in this world anymore, presidents Ernie Nadeau (Nadeau Corp.) and Peter Fine (U.S. Solar Works) insist on this being a free service. Maybe someone's always been interested in exploring solar as an energy solution for their facility, but just didn't know where to begin. That's exactly what Nadeau Corp. and U.S. Solar want to remedy and a free study allows a no-obligation approach to dip their feet into solar solutions. It gives small business owners nothing to lose and everything to gain.

Nadeau's team doesn't stop there. A comprehensive view is needed to accomplish a full scale sustainable construction project. Placing solar panels on the roof can be combined with on-site material re-use, water conservation methods that collect rain water for irrigation, energy efficient lighting swaps, new skylights, the list goes on and on.

