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Halfway to Spring!



[Merry Candlemas](#), everyone! We just passed the official halfway point between the Winter solstice and the vernal equinox. Are you dreaming of warmer days ahead or praying winter hangs on?

The dawn of 2022 hasn't quite brought the immediate return to normalcy most of us had hoped for.

Yet, from our narrow perspective of helping our clients reduce their energy and environmental footprint, if this is normal we'll take it. We've never been busier, and our clients are happy!

Looking ahead, utility energy efficiency programs are seeing major

growth in our Controlled Environment Agricultural (CEA, a.k.a. Indoor Ag) sector, and most have maintained or increased their budgets.

Of note, [Oregon's project cap for projects has increased by over six times](#), and the [Virginia may be launching a CEA-specific energy efficiency incentive program](#) later this year. We also expect our cannabis-specific market opportunities to climb as more states legalize.

In the meantime, we are constantly re-evaluating our travel schedule. On our radar *at the moment* are the NECANN shows in [Boston in March](#) and maybe also [Tulsa in April](#). Will you be at one of these shows?

We would love to hear from you! You can [always reach us](#) by phone, Zoom, Google hangout, or around our home-base of [Portland, Maine](#).

Moment's Peace Craft Cannabis Gets Growing



Early last year, [Moment's Peace Craft Cannabis](#)'s CEO, Joy Cutrone, asked us to help prepare an application to Efficiency Maine for their new cannabis cultivation operation in Southern Maine.

Theirs was a fascinating project, consisting of three custom-designed grow containers by the company [Box4Grow](#), each housing eight [Bios Icarus LI LED](#) fixtures.

To our knowledge, the project was the first Maine container-based cannabis cultivation project to receive an energy efficiency incentive.

Moment's Peace took delivery of the containers this summer and are up and growing. Tune into their [brand-spanking-new website](#) for updates.

We are excited for Joy and her family and team! [Read more about the project and our work together.](#)

Michigan regulators to explore energy and sustainability



At long last, Michigan is digging deep into how regulations may reduce the energy and sustainability impact of the state's booming cannabis industry.

We are encouraged by the [Marijuana Regulatory Agency \(MRA\)](#)'s move to stand up an Energy and Sustainability Workgroup and are inclined to think that they may take concrete steps to help its licensees to

reduce their environmental impact.

We will be watching closely--and hopefully participating in the discussions--to make sure the MRA is forward-looking and doesn't put into place counter-productive regulations that make it harder for growers to invest in energy efficiency and sustainability.

Michiganders, watch this space!



Partner of the Month



Green Goddess Supply has earned the reputation as being one of the country's finest purveyors of smoking accessories, and we are proud to count them among our network of trusted allies.

Green Goddess's founder, Eric Robichaud, is also a leader in the cannabis space, taking on the responsibility of hosting not one but two regional cannabis networking and referral groups.

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