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## **Alaska's first Tidal Energy Conference to be held in January**

The Alaska Energy Authority (AEA) is spearheading the first Tidal Energy Conference to be held in Alaska. AEA's alternative energy efforts include looking at tidal and ocean energy to displace diesel in areas of Alaska that make economic sense. A variety of experts will give presentations over the two day conference.

This event will take place at the Ted Ferry Conference Center in Ketchikan on January 23-24, 2007 and the public is invited to attend.

Conference presentations will include:

- Tidal Energy Overview
- A Report On Verdant Power's East River Environmental Study
- Tidal Energy Resource Of Selected SE Alaska Sites
- Environmental And Regulatory Permitting
- Tidal Energy Devices Nearing Commercialization
- Opportunities And Obstacles To Project Development

Among the scheduled speakers are Roger Bedard, EPRI Ocean Energy Project Manager and co-author of EPRI's international studies and reports on wave and tidal energy, and Trey Taylor, Co-founder and President of Verdant Power.

Along with AEA, this conference is sponsored by:

- Ketchikan Public Utilities
- Alaska Electric Power and Light Company
- Alaska Power and Telephone
- Denali Commission

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