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2011 Wood Energy Conference Announced Event Slated for April 25-27 in Fairbanks

(Anchorage) – The Alaska Energy Authority (AEA) in collaboration with Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, UAF Cooperative Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development, Process Barron, State of Alaska DNR Division of Forestry, U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Department of the Interior BLM, Fairbanks Economic Development Corporation, Alaska Center for Energy and Power, and the National Renewable Energy Laboratory announce the 2011 Alaska Wood Energy Conference to be held April 25-27 at the Westmark Fairbanks Hotel and Conference Center.

The conference, “Making Wood Work – Local Energy Solutions,” is geared toward building successful community biomass projects in Alaska. Lieutenant Governor Mead Treadwell will deliver opening remarks.

“Alaska’s Renewable Energy Fund placed our state at the forefront of renewable energy funding,” said AEA Executive Director Sara Fisher-Goad. “We are already seeing biomass success stories as a result, and this conference is a great opportunity for Alaskans to learn more about this reliable, renewable energy source.”

The two-day conference includes technical sessions that focus on resources, project development and management, residential applications, and combined heat and power technology. The conference also features a Resource Fair that is free and open to the public on April 26 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM.

Conference registration information is available by calling the Fairbanks Economic Development Corporation at (907) 452-2185, or 1-888-476-3332, or by visiting www.akenergyauthority.org.

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