

**SOUTHERN TIER 8 REGIONAL BOARD  
REGIONAL ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY  
BUSINESS SURVEY**

The Southern Tier 8 Regional Board obtained a grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission to complete a Regional Energy Infrastructure Assessment & Strategy. The project aims to: increase the use of alternative energy, energy storage and local, distributed generation in the region; improve the reliability, efficiency and resiliency of the region's energy infrastructure if/as needed; and to support economic development in the Southern Tier 8 region (Broome, Chenango, Cortland, Delaware, Otsego, Schoharie, Tioga and Tompkins Counties).

The project will increase understanding of energy infrastructure opportunities/challenges and position key projects for future funding. We are seeking your local insight with this survey (responses can also be entered online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CMR7PNC>). Please note that all responses will be confidential. Only aggregated responses will be shared.

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Has your business experienced significant issues related to energy with respect to energy supply, quality, delivery, and reliability? If yes, please complete questions 3 to 7. If not, skip to question 8 please.

☐ Yes ☐ No

3. What type of energy do you have challenges/added costs with primarily?

☐ Electric  
☐ Natural Gas  
☐ Propane  
☐ Fuel Oil  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

4. How often do you have issues with energy supply, delivery, quality or reliability?

☐ Daily  
☐ Greater than once a week  
☐ At least once a week  
☐ A few times per month  
☐ Once a month  
☐ Periodic

Please describe the specific energy related issue: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please return survey **no later than August 30, 2019** to LaBella Associates, Attn: Barbara Johnston,  
300 State Street, Suite 201, Rochester NY 14614 or [bjohnston@labellapc.com](mailto:bjohnston@labellapc.com)  
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5. As a result of the energy supply, delivery, quality, or reliability issues has your business considered any of the following actions?

- ☐ Relocation
- ☐ Reduced employment
- ☐ Withdrawn plans for expansion or hiring
- ☐ Other

If yes please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Have you considered any of the following alternative energy options on-site at your facility (please check all that apply)?

- ☐ Rooftop solar electric
- ☐ Ground-mounted solar electric
- ☐ Small wind turbines
- ☐ Solar thermal
- ☐ Hydro-electric
- ☐ Biomass
- ☐ Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)
- ☐ Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)
- ☐ Battery Storage
- ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

7. Have you considered participating in an off-site community solar or wind energy project?

- ☐ Yes      ☐ No

8. Would you like more information about alternative energy options – either on-site or off-site (such as community wind or solar)?

- ☐ Yes      ☐ No

If yes, which ones? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Would you like to know more about potential micro-grid systems?

(A micro-grid is an interconnected system that distributes electricity to a defined area. It can be connected to the grid or disconnected to be independent of the grid, and potentially uses renewable energy).

- ☐ Yes      ☐ No

10. Are there any other energy concerns that you have? Please describe.

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR INPUT!**

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