

SolarCity launches New York expansion

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SolarCity has launched a major expansion in NYS with new locations in Westchester County and Long Island. SolarCity's three New York locations (the company also recently expanded into a new operations center in Albany) make SolarCity's set of affordable clean energy services available in the state.

New York's secretary for energy and environment, Robert Hallman said, "Under Governor Cuomo's NY-Sun program, we are dramatically increasing solar energy installations all across N.Y. Today's announcement by SolarCity shows that NY-Sun is not only good energy and environmental policy, it is also good for business and the economy of the state. We are proud to welcome SolarCity to Westchester and Long Island."

SolarCity can make it possible for many homeowners and businesses to install solar panels for free and pay less for solar electricity than they pay for utility power. Customers can still purchase systems outright through SolarCity, but by removing the huge upfront costs of purchasing solar panels, SolarCity has made clean energy accessible to a much wider range of homeowners. SolarCity's 32,500 s/f operations center in Elmsford will serve as a training center for the entire east coast, and will allow SolarCity to make its full set of services available in the surrounding areas. The company hopes to introduce the first solar lease option on Long Island later this year, pending approval by the Long Island Power Authority.

"This expansion brings new jobs and cleaner power to New York," said Ed Steins, SolarCity's northeast regional VP. "Installers, electricians, construction managers and field sales are good local jobs that can't be outsourced."

SolarCity's expansion is due in large part to the efforts of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the state legislature. The NY-Sun Initiative signed in mid-August is expected to increase the state's solar installation volume and create jobs. SolarCity has already hired 100 full-time employees in New York, and currently has approximately 30 open positions in the state. Candidates interested in available employment opportunities in New York can contact SolarCity via its online jobs form at www.solarcity.com/jobs.

Homeowners in the New York metro area who are interested in SolarCity's services can contact the company directly at 1-888-SOL-CITY (1-888-765-2489) for a free, no-obligation solar consultation or visit SolarCity online at www.solarcity.com/request.

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