

South River Consulting Expands Client Roster as Energy Deregulation Nears

Nearly 20 New Clients Seek Assistance to Prepare for July 1st

COLUMBIA, MD (April 25, 2002)---South River Consulting, LLC, specializing in a comprehensive range of energy procurement services, has recently added nearly 20 clients to its roster as the July 1 start of the open energy market approaches.

The new South River Consulting clients represent approximately 50 megawatts of power, nearly doubling the total megawatts under management by the four-year old Columbia-headquartered company.

The firm will be assisting their clients prepare for the deregulated energy market by developing procurement strategies, including supplier selection, pricing options, and contract considerations and negotiations.

New Baltimore area clients include Adell Plastics, Inc., Arundel Corporation, Becton Dickinson and Company, Cloverland Green Spring Dairy, Clorox Products Manufacturing Company, Congoleum Corporation, Harmony Hall, Hilton Hotel of Pikesville, Klein Supermarkets, Merchants Terminal Corporation, ONGUARD, Sweetheart Cup Corporation, United Iron & Metal, W.R. Grace and Zurich Insurance.

Additionally, the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA has retained the firm for assistance in controlling its overall energy expenditures by reducing its steam costs.

About South River Consulting

Founded in 1998, South River Consulting, LLC provides commercial and industrial energy users across the country with a comprehensive range of procurement and risk management advisory services. Based on their broad experience in energy transactions on the buy as well as on the sell sides of the market, commodity trading, power generation and transmission, and utility rate structures, South River is uniquely positioned to assist end users in the development and execution of procurement strategies and also in the ongoing management of their energy accounts. The firm's capabilities include contract development and negotiation, distributed power plant development services, economic and technical evaluation, and project development and financing.

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