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## **1. ACUPCC Update**

The ACUPCC stands at **562** institutions representing all 50 states – and over 4.7 million students, or 28% of all college students in the United States. We would like to welcome the ACUPCC's newest signatory, the Ohio State University!

**Resources:**

- [AASHE Launches Online Reporting Tool for Campus GHG Emissions](#)

As part of its support for the American College & University Presidents Climate Commitment, AASHE has created an online tool for signatories to report on their GHG emissions. The new tool, which is integrated with the tool for submitting two-month reports, also includes new data about the tangible actions that signatories have committed to implement. Finally, the tool also includes a directory of ACUPCC Implementation Liaisons.

- [ACUPCC 2007 Annual Report](#)

The 2007 Annual Report was released in May 2008. In addition to a snapshot of all signatory reports received by December 31, 2007, the 2007 Annual Report includes a collection of brief stories from select ACUPCC institutions describing exciting climate and energy successes on their campuses related to ACUPCC implementation.

- ACUPCC partners with Green for All on the [Green Jobs Now](#) Day of Action

On September 27, 2008 thousands of Americans will join together to call for a new "green economy." This vision includes the creation of green jobs designed to tackle the climate crisis through designing and creating sustainable energy alternatives, local food and transportation systems, and more. Read more about this monumental event here.

- Via the ACUPCC website

## **2. SCUP's Campus Sustainability Day**

Campus Sustainability Day (CSD) celebrates sustainability in higher education and will take place on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. This year's webcast will feature author and businessman, Paul Hawken, NY Times journalist, Andy Revkin, and Second Nature President, Tony Cortese. Mark your calendars and visit [SCUP's Campus Sustainability Day](#) webpage for information on the history of the event and stayed tuned for more details as they develop.

*-Via Stephen Muzzy*

### **3. ACUHO-I: Help develop a 21st Century Project Residence Hall**

October 1, 2008 is the deadline for applications from institutions who wish to help construct on their campus a residence hall that meets the tenants of the 21st Century Project. Selected institutions will work with consultants to host a mini-summit on their campus to determine how they can best create a hall that offers flexibility, builds community, engages technology, and promotes sustainability. Full details and a copy of the application is available on the [21st Century Project](#) Web site.

*-Via ACUHO-I News, Week of August 11, 2008*

### **4. New Report on Climate Action Planning from NWF**

The National Wildlife Federation Campus Ecology Program and SCUP have released a new report: "Guide to Climate Action Planning: Pathways to a Low-Carbon Campus." This guide addresses a simple question: How can colleges and universities significantly reduce their greenhouse gas emissions quickly and cost effectively? Reducing emissions without a climate action plan is like constructing a building without a blueprint – the outcome is unlikely to meet the original goals in a timely manner. The report is a comprehensive review of the strategies and steps to reduce greenhouse gas emissions on campus, with best practices from U.S. colleges and universities.

You may access the report [here](#)

*-Via NWF's Campus Ecology website*

### **5. GreenEnergy TV**

Self proclaimed "World Leader in Green Energy Television", Green Energy TV provides informational videos on available green technologies and sustainability practices; from renewable energy, to green building, to corporate responsibility. Visit <http://www.greenenergytv.com/> for more examples.

*-Via G. Rendell's blog "Getting to Green" from Inside Higher Education August 14.*

### **6. Upcoming Events**

- **APPA's Institute for Facilities Management**  
September 7-11, 2008; Austin, TX  
<http://www.appa.org/Training/institute/index.cfm>
- [Green Jobs Now](#) Day of Action  
September 27, 2008, Nation Wide
- **2008 ACUHO-I/APPA Housing Facilities Conference**

October 8-11, 2008; Dallas, Texas

<http://www.acuhoi.org/brEventsbrPrograms/ACUHOIAPPAbrHousingFacilitiesbrConference/tabid/197/Default.aspx>

- **Fall 2008 Conference Green Community Colleges:** Sustainable Campuses and Programs October 18-21, 2008, Austin, Texas  
<http://www.ncwe.org/conference/index.htm>
- **Campus Sustainability Day**  
October 22, 2008, Nationwide  
<http://www.scup.org/csd/>
- **Planning Beyond Sustainability SCUP Southern Regional Conference**  
November 5 – 7 2008; New Orleans, LA  
<http://www.scup.org/regions/so/2008/index.html>
- **AASHE Conference 2008: Working Together for Sustainability**  
November 9-11, 2008; Raleigh, NC <http://www.aashe.org/conf2008/>

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