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Dear Chapter Member,

As we ring in 2018, exciting things are happening with the Energy Services Coalition all around the nation. In 2018 the ESC will hold its Seventh Annual Market Transformation Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. Stay tuned for more updates.

For our Kentucky members we present this "Year In Review" as a sampling of performance contracting stories making headlines in Kentucky during 2017. To stay up-to-date, or to share a news item with us – please visit the Kentucky ESC Chapter Facebook page.

The Kentucky ESC Chapter has a year-end balance of $3,618 in the Chapter's account. These funds can be used on behalf of the Chapter to provide education and develop and disseminate information to increase the delivery of energy efficiency through a guaranteed energy savings performance contract.

For ideas on Chapter activities we encourage KY ESC Chapter members to check out the ESC Chapter Playbook on our website. The Playbook is a living document that represents examples of successes and challenges in promoting GESPC from state ESC Chapters around the country. The Playbook outlines activities and approaches other state ESC Chapters have engaged in support of a statewide GESPC public program to increase performance contracting activity.

Happy New Year,
Jim Arwood
ESC Executive Director
Kentucky Takes Home Champion Award

Kentucky was among 12 states receiving the 2017 ESC Energy Stewardship Champion award at the annual Market Transformation Conference on August 11, 2017. The award is given to states in recognition of outstanding accomplishments in leveraging Guaranteed Energy Savings Performance Contracting to achieve energy savings, infrastructure modernization, environmental stewardship, and economic development.

Kentucky's public sector institutions have implemented more than $750 million in GESPC projects since enabling legislation was passed in the 1990s. This investment has resulted in guaranteed utility savings to pay for energy efficiency improvements in administration buildings, schools, courthouses, jails and correctional facilities, libraries, health clinics, veterans housing, ballparks and other community facilities.

July 23, 2017 * The Commonwealth of Kentucky - FAC Division of Engineering and Contract Administration issued an RFP for a GESPC. The project includes various locations of the Kentucky State Office Buildings.

June 21, 2017 * The University of Louisville suspended a contract designed to make the school's facilities more energy efficient. So far, the university has spent more than $51 million on the first three phases of the program, which officials estimate have reduced the school's
We need your involvement.
If you are a former Kentucky ESC Chapter member, then you know that the ESC provides a unique forum in which all stakeholders can work together to address and overcome barriers limiting the effective use of GESPC. So, if you are still involved in energy savings performance contracting programs, products or services, then coming back to the Energy Services Coalition may be right for you. Please consider renewing your membership. I hope you will be able to (re) join us and get involved!

greenhouse gas emissions by more than 46,000 tons. That's the equivalent of removing 7,690 cars from the road. The proposed fourth phase is on a permanent hold but the school hopes to be able to reactivate the contract in the future. The decision was a result of the university not wanting to take on any additional long-term debt at this time.

April 27, 2017 * The City of Elkton issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for an Energy Savings Performance Contract.

January 27, 2017 * The Owen County Fiscal Court has issued an RFP for an Energy Savings Performance Contract. Bids are due by March 29, 2017. For more information contact Judge Casey Ellis at 502-484-3405.

January 22, 2017 * Maysville City Commissioners agreed to pursue grant funding up to $100,000 to improve energy efficiency in city properties. The city will apply for the Department of Local Government's Energy Efficiency and Conservation for Local Governments grant, which offers $10,000-$100,000. The grant funds will be used to "buy down" a guaranteed energy savings performance contract.

January 14, 2017 * The City of Glasgow is negotiating a GESPC after an air conditioning unit at the South Central Kentucky Cultural Center "quit after only 47 years of service." The equipment failure brought to the front burner the poor physical condition of many of the city's properties, and after the evaluation of all of those properties, the city has identified the need for up to $7 million worth of upgrades for those facilities. To address those needs, the City is in negotiations for a GESPC to pay for the upgrades. Among the energy measures being considered is the replacement of 2,500 streetlights, which cost the city approximately $15,000 a month to operate.

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