

ENR CELEBRATES EARTH DAY



“The solution to climate change is energy policy. If we make the right choices about how we build buildings, how we transport people, what we do with respect to providing electricity and power to our countries, this problem gets solved”

--Secretary of State John Kerry

THE BUREAU OF ENERGY RESOURCES (ENR) WELCOMES THE OPPORTUNITY TO MARK THE 45TH ANNIVERSARY OF EARTH DAY!

- A special welcome to our student visitors from Carnegie Mellon University’s Heinz College, Georgetown University’s School of Foreign Service, and American University.
- Welcome to the energy and environment media.

U.S. energy security, energy sustainability, and climate objectives are mutually reinforcing: We are working to promote energy efficiency, conservation and the transformation of energy systems. Regional linkages of electric grids make them larger, more reliable, more efficient and better able to integrate renewable energy. With the G7, G20, and International Financial Institutions, we are encouraging market reforms, such as the elimination of fossil fuel subsidies, that can address overall energy demand. Diversification of energy types, suppliers, and supply routes remains a key goal.

Energy Transformation: Working with multilateral partners, ENR’s work with Sustainable Energy For All (SE4ALL) and Power Africa are focused on increasing access to energy for the 1.3 billion people who lack access to modern energy services. We are fostering deeper coordination with other major international actors such as the EU, World Bank, and African Development Bank to harmonize initiatives and make efficient use of capital to enhance investment climates in the developing world. Our work in the Caribbean and Central America to promote sound investment climates, access to finance, and to further sustainable energy is a key focus of our diplomacy.