

## Senator Thompson Receives Solar Energy Champion Award

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**Buffalo, NY** – New York State Senator Antoine Thompson (D-parts of Erie & Niagara Counties) is being honored for his efforts to promote legislation aimed at cleaning up the environment and making it more energy efficient.

The New York State Energy Industries Association (NYSEIA) will present Senator Thompson with the "Solar Legislative Champion Award" at the NY Solar Industries 2010 Conference.

The award is presented annually to people who show exceptional leadership in promoting solar energy through New York State policy and legislation.

"As Chair of the Senate Environmental Conservation Committee, I'm honored to receive this award. There are several benefits to cleaning up the environment, which can lead to sustainable green and solar jobs throughout New York State."

Thompson's environmental legislative work in the senate has given a boost to the state's economy through the creation of green jobs and resulted in upgrades to energy efficient gas

systems.

The NY Solar Conference will be held Wednesday, May 12 at the Albany Crowne Plaza City Center at 6 pm.