

2003-2004 Annual Report

Sustainable Energy Resource Group (SERG) had a very successful year (9/1/03-8/31/04). Below is a list of some of the projects we worked on. Please feel free to contact us if you would like more information on or to support our efforts.

Formed two new town energy committees (EC) in Lyme, NH and Hartford, VT.

Supported the following town energy committee projects: Lyme EC incorporating chip a wood boiler into the new town garage plan and placing anemometer equipment atop the Dartmouth Skiway; Thetford EC redrafting of its town energy plan and investigation of switching to more efficient street lights; Norwich EC getting the town road vehicles to run on biodiesel; Hartford and Thetford EC's conducting sales of compact fluorescent bulbs.

Recruited 82 family members to SERG's 2003/4 Energy Club. Helped members save energy by consulting on residential energy surveys and providing 20 follow-up home energy inspections and detailed home energy reports.

Sold 830 compact fluorescent bulbs, saving 397,220 kilo-Watt hours and \$51,121.87 in energy expenditures over the life of the bulbs.

Contributed \$8,200 to increase the efficiency in the new Upper Valley Haven building which will save the Haven about \$1,000 in energy use per year.

Conducted energy audits on five other Upper Valley social service agencies (LISTEN, Family Place, Headrest, Hannah House and COVER) and provided reports on how they could

make changes to save energy and money.

Organized a forum on the purchase of the Ct. River Dams by Vermont.

Worked with our partners (VPIRG, VNRC, New England Coalition, Sierra Club, FairWind Vermont, Vermont Businesses for Social Responsibility, and others) from the Vermont Sustainable Energy Coalition, which we helped create, to oppose up-rate at Vermont Yankee, support purchase of the Ct. River Dams, oppose Vermont's horrible state energy plan and support wind development in Vermont.

Participated in Home Performance with Energy Star training to learn how to diagnose home health, safety, comfort and energy efficiency.