



Media Advisory

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Renewable Energy Tour of West Central Telephone Association

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SEBEKA, MN – What’s a telephone company doing getting into the renewable energy field? Why should this matter to me as a customer? What can I replicate as a homeowner or business owner? Answering these questions—and more—will be part of this upcoming tour of the West Central Telephone Association’s Sebeka, Minnesota facility where they have installed solar power systems and a wind turbine. Come to get a hands-on look at renewable energy technologies, learn from the expertise WCTA has gained over the past three years of their exploration in this field, and ask your own questions about making these technologies work for YOU.

RSVP: Register for this free event by visiting <http://centralcert100610.eventbrite.com>.

AGENDA:

- 9:00 Meet at Sebeka. Welcome and overview of goals for the day and refreshments
- 9:05 Introductions
- 9:15 CERT Campaign Updates and Upcoming Events
- 9:30 Watch 5 minute introductory “Zenergy” video
- 9:35 The Tour begins, including:
 - Hybrid wind/solar systems
 - Prototype vertical axis wind turbine
 - Solar thermal air heat ([RREAL](#))
 - Solar thermal hot water ([Solar Skies](#))
 - Three types of solar PV arrays: bifacial, tracker, and tracker with [Enphase Microinverters](#))
 - Rainwater collection system
- 11:30 Adjourn

THE BASICS:

- **Who:** Community members and community leaders from Central Minnesota
- **What:** Free tour of West Central Telephone Association
- **Where:** West Central Telephone Association, 308 Frontage Road, Sebeka, MN
- **When:** Wednesday, October 6, 2010, 9-11:30am
- **Why:** To learn about technologies that can work for your home, business, and community

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