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REPRESENTATIVE TOLSON HONORED BY STATE

Award presented at fifth annual N.C. Sustainable Energy Conference

RALEIGH – Rep. Joe Tolson is one of four members of the N.C. General Assembly recognized with an award of appreciation for Sustainable Energy Leadership by the State Energy Office. North Carolina energy and environmental professionals, and others who have supported energy sustainability, were presented with awards on April 8 at the fifth annual N.C. Sustainable Energy Conference.

Tolson has been a strong proponent of alternative transportation fuels, energy efficiency, and renewable energy, specifically focusing on the economic benefits and job creation potential of new technologies in energy. He has been instrumental in the passage of numerous bills supporting sustainable energy, including performance contracting in state buildings, tax credits for production of renewable fuels, and a ban on MTBE in gasoline, as well as numerous other similar measures. Tolson also served for six years as the Vice Chair of the N.C. Energy Policy Council, the principal state body charged with drafting the State's energy plan.

More than 750 representatives from state agencies, universities, business and industry, schools and nonprofits attended the Sustainable Energy Conference. The State Energy Office is a Division of the N.C. Department of Administration.

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