



## An invitation to share proposals, analysis, information.

### *What Are The Best Ways For Maine To Accelerate And Support The Shift Away From Oil Dependence?*

**December 12, 2012, 10am - noon**

*Room 300, 3rd floor Cross Office Building*

*Augusta, ME*

10:00 – 10:20 – La Capra will present background information and frame the key issues.

10:20 – Noon – Stakeholders will have the opportunity to speak for 5 minutes. Remarks should be focused on three general themes:

- Which strategies, policies, and programs should be pursued?
- Which strategies, policies, and programs should be pursued first?
- What are the costs and challenges of implementing these strategies, policies, and programs?

**Background:** The Maine Legislature directed the Governor's Office of Energy Independence and Security, in consultation with the Efficiency Maine Trust, to develop a plan to **reduce the use of oil** in all sectors of the economy. La Capra Associates has been selected to write a report which draws on existing data and studies to identify and quantify options for reducing oil use in Maine. The report will include recommendations regarding priorities to ensure the state will meet its oil consumption reduction targets of at least 30% by 2030 and 50% by 2050, based on 2007 levels analysis. As directed, the report will include estimates of costs of different strategies, policies, and programs to meet the oil dependence reduction targets. The focus of recommendations will be on priorities for near-term policies and any infrastructure changes needed to meet the state's goals.

**Please send comments, studies or other written materials by December 20, 2012 to:**

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