

Clean Air-Cool Planet presents 2009 Climate Awards

Dinner honors Susan F. Tierney



*Clean Air - Cool Planet's CEO Adam Markham and
Climate Champion Award winner, Dr. Susan F. Tierney.*

Portsmouth, NH – Clean Air-Cool Planet, the leading science-based non-profit organization focused solely on solving the global warming problem, presented eight of its Climate Champion Awards at a gala dinner in Boston, October 15.

The dinner also honored one of this year's winners, Dr. Susan F. Tierney, for her work in the energy and climate field. The award was presented by James Fallows, national correspondent for *Atlantic* magazine, who is Ms. Tierney's brother.

A former environmental affairs commissioner for Massachusetts and assistant secretary for policy in the US Department of Energy, Ms. Tierney also served as commissioner of

the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities. She was a founding board member at Clean Air-Cool Planet (CA-CP) and past chair.

Also receiving awards were:

- The Chewonki Foundation of Wiscasset, Maine, for the quality and level of its unique outreach and education efforts;
- Furman University in Greenville, SC, for its innovative climate action planning model, the breadth of its campus sustainability initiatives, and the visionary leadership in the higher education community of its President, Dr. David Shi;
- Hannaford Supermarkets, for opening the world's first LEED Platinum certified supermarket in Augusta, Maine and leadership in corporate climate action;
- Sven-Olof Lindblad for his tremendous commitment to global conservation issues;
- Representative Edward J. Markey for leadership in the fight for a more progressive energy strategy in the House of Representatives;
- SunEdison for its unique business model supporting the development of large scale renewable energy projects;
- And the Town of Temple, NH for its common sense, citizen-supported efficiency projects, conservation and continuing education.

“Clean Air-Cool Planet’s Climate Champion Awards are presented annually to outstanding individuals, campuses, communities, science centers and corporations that have demonstrated leadership and excellence in implementing solutions to global warming,” said Adam Markham, CEO. “The Climate Champion Awards serve not only as a mark of distinction, but as a motivation for other individuals and institutions who seek inspiration and leadership on this issue.”

Past winners of the award for their leadership in climate action include governors John Baldacci of Maine and George Pataki of New York; Bank of America, Oakhurst Dairy, Staples and Timberland; Hull, MA, and Maplewood, NJ; Middlebury College, UNH, and Tufts University.

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