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Red Clay Conference to focus on Georgia's energy potential

ATHENS, Ga. – Georgia's energy policy and future alternatives will be the focus of the 17th annual Red Clay Conference to be held Friday, April 1, at the University of Georgia School of Law. The one-day conference is open to the public. Registration is \$50, and a catered lunch will be provided for an additional \$10. The \$50 fee will be waived for faculty, staff and students.

The conference, "Georgia's Energy Potential: Policy, Alternatives, and Long-Term Solutions," will include panel discussions on sustainable development and energy use, hydroelectric power, alternative fuels for mobile sources of pollution and the building industry's response to the new Georgia energy code. Conference speakers include authorities from the private legal sector, the corporate/business sector, the government and public interest groups. The conference starts with check-in at 8 a.m. and ends with a reception at 4:30 p.m.

Jigar Shah, chief executive officer of SunEdison, will be the keynote speaker. Shah's company helps public, private and nonprofit organizations explore using solar power as an energy alternative. Additionally, Shah has worked with the U.S. Department of Energy on alternative vehicles and fuel cell programs.

The conference is expected to draw an attendance of more than 100 attorneys, government leaders, environmental advocates, academics and students. For attorneys, continuing legal education (CLE) is available.

Registration information and a detailed schedule can be found on the conference's Web site at www.law.uga.edu/redclay.

Sponsored by the Environmental Law Association, the Red Clay Conference was established to increase public awareness of environmental issues of regional, national and international significance through a series of educational presentations and open forum discussions.

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