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# Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno Cuts Ribbon On New Trinity Solar Facility In Monmouth County

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Company's Growth Is Latest Sign that Christie Administration's Pro-Business Policies are Continuing the New Jersey Comeback

**Trenton, NJ** – Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno today helped New Jersey-based Trinity Solar cut the ribbon on the company's new facility in Wall Township. Steady growth forced the company into a larger facility for its expanding workforce, which has nearly quadrupled over the past four years to 400 employees.

"Trinity Solar is a true New Jersey success story. The company started and grew in New Jersey and is now providing hundreds of jobs for New Jerseyans," said Lt. Governor Guadagno. "I'm confident that Trinity will continue to grow in New Jersey and provide hundreds of more jobs for New Jerseyans in the future."

For Trinity, the move is a visible sign of their growth, particularly in terms of jobs, in New Jersey. The company, a designer and installer of solar electric systems, has led New Jersey in terms of solar electric systems deployed for the last 8 consecutive years. They are the largest solar installer and employer in New Jersey, the largest solar integrator on the East Coast, and one of the top installers in the nation.

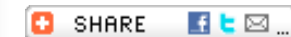
"Thanks to the pro-business and pro-jobs policies of the Christie Administration, I can't think of a better place to grow and expand a business than New Jersey," said Tom Pollock, Trinity Solar's co-founder and chief executive officer. "The Administration's cooperative and helpful attitude toward business will generate jobs and business opportunities for

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thousands of New Jerseyans now and in the years ahead.”

New Jersey leads the nation in the commercial installation of solar panels and is second in residential installations. As of December, New Jersey has 13,000 solar photovoltaic projects that produce over 530 megawatts statewide.

Thanks to legislation signed by Governor Chris Christie, solar panels are exempt from certain land use restrictions. The State supports efforts to expand the use of solar panels on brownfields and landfills, which reaps the dual environmental and economic benefits of promoting remediation of otherwise valueless sites and returning them to beneficial use.

The past two weeks have been particularly active for economic development in New Jersey:

- Pearson Education signed a lease to move part of its operations to Hoboken, where the company will have 900 jobs, and committed to maintain a minimum statewide workforce of 1,666 jobs for ten years.
- Governor Chris Christie and LS Power broke ground on the company’s new West Deptford power plant, which will create 600 construction jobs and 25 operation and maintenance jobs.
- Governor Christie helped break ground on the Teachers Village mixed-use development project, which is expected to create 500 construction and permanent jobs.
- Governor Christie and Lt. Governor Guadagno attended the groundbreaking for Realogy, a real estate firm that is keeping 900 jobs in the Garden State.
- Lt. Governor Guadagno welcomed Watson Pharmaceutical’s decision to place its global research and development center, which will provide 50 jobs, in North Brunswick.
- Lt. Governor Guadagno visited Farmers Insurance Group’s new agent training center in Cherry Hill where the company will recruit and train about 200 agents annually for several years.
- Lt. Governor Guadagno helped announce \$36 million in construction investments at Newark Liberty International Airport from United Airlines and Signature Flight Support. The projects will create nearly 300 jobs.

The Christie Administration’s New Jersey Partnership for Action, which is led by Lt. Governor Guadagno, is a three-pronged public-private approach to economic development and the starting point for all initiatives, policies and efforts to grow New Jersey’s economy and create quality, sustainable jobs in our communities. The three elements of the Partnership for Action includes the Business Action Center, which reports directly to the Lt. Governor and provides the business community with a single point of contact, applying a proactive, customer-service approach to businesses’ interactions with State government; the EDA, serving as the state’s “bank for business”; and Choose New Jersey, an independently funded and operated 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation created to encourage and nurture economic growth throughout New Jersey;

To learn more about New Jersey’s expertise and incentives to attract and support business growth, call the Business Action Center at (866) 534-7789 or visit the State’s Business Portal at [www.newjerseybusiness.gov](http://www.newjerseybusiness.gov).

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