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### ***Sullivan County Partnership and NYSEG Team Up On Green Technology Research Project***

*Bridgeville, New York – December 20, 2006* – The Sullivan County Partnership for Economic Development is pleased to announce the receipt of a \$50,000 grant from NYSEG’s Economic Development Outreach Program to be used toward a Green Building Products Research Project marketing initiative.

The Partnership will work regionally to identify local firms with the potential to expand into the green building products industry, as well as identifying specific product niches that are not being served and which could be the source of new business attraction efforts or entrepreneurial development.

The grant will provide resources to enhance the marketing activities ongoing within the Hudson Valley to target firms that can manufacture, produce or distribute products deemed energy efficient, green or supporting sustainable development practices.

Sullivan County, Sullivan County Community College and the Sullivan County Partnership are currently working to develop a 50 acre, shovel-ready Green Technology Park aimed at those firms that either are already in the green building products industry or related services, or new firms that might be attracted or created to meet the increasing Tri-State demands for green building products, including geothermal, photovoltaic, and wind energy products and components.

“The awarded NYSEG funds will help further our efforts in marketing this new initiative and help to position Sullivan County as a leader in green development practices. We are honored to receive this award from NYSEG and will direct the funds toward assisting our organization in achieving its goals,” said Marc Baez, President and CEO of the Sullivan County Partnership.

“We have a long history of working hand-in-hand with businesses, business organizations, and local economic development agencies to create jobs and ensure that the communities we serve remain competitive,” said NYSEG President and CEO Jim Laurio. “We are pleased to be able to assist the Sullivan County Partnership and support its good work.”