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SEC Proposes Emissions Transparency For Companies

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[The Proposed Securities and Exchange Commission rules to standardize climate-related disclosures for investors](#) have created tremendous momentum for publicly and privately owned companies to transition to clean energy quickly. These rules, expected to be implemented by the end of 2022, will impact almost all private companies who supply products to publicly traded companies or distribute products for them. For those who are looking for a great resource to track corporate reactions to the proposed rules, [ESG Today](#) is providing daily updates.

Here are a few examples of publicly traded company actions in April:

- [PepsiCo Launches Initiative to Help Small Businesses in Supply Chain Access Renewable Energy](#)
- [Chemical Giant BASF to Offer Net Zero Products to Lower Customers' Product Carbon Footprint](#)
- [Hanesbrands, Unifi and Volvo say they have jump on proposed climate-related disclosure rules](#)

Eagle Solar & Light is standing by to help your company reduce its carbon footprint in these times of rising utility costs, increasing threats from climate change and increasing customer expectations that corporations will accelerate adoption of clean energy.



Sustainable Living

The theme of Earth Day this year was Invest In Our Planet. Solar energy helps reduce air pollution like sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides, and particulate matter that create smog and trigger asthma attacks. This literally saves lives—the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL) found wind and solar production from 2007 to 2015 generated over \$100 billion in air-quality and public health benefits, mainly by helping to avoid up to 12,700 premature deaths. Solar Energy is a sustainable way to invest in our planet and your business as well. [Click here to learn more about the benefits of clean energy.](#)



CEO Sam Yates featured on What's Working Podcast

This past week on What's Working with Cam Marston, Sam Yates explained ESL's mission. "Because of the dearth of solar penetration in this state, our mission has been to get out and educate customers. Whenever you talk about solar, people don't know much about it, but they are highly interested." They discussed solar technology and its accessibility, benefits, and barriers. [Check out the full episode](#) and learn more about the advancement of solar technology in Alabama, and the world at large.

Educational Earth Day With Paul Freeman

Here at ESL, we love to get involved with our local communities. We know solar energy can be confusing and unclear at times. That's why Hoover locals celebrated Earth Day with our Sales Director, Paul Freeman at Hoover Public Library learning how renewable solar energy plays a part in restoring our earth and what they can do to reduce their carbon footprint. Renewable energy in the form of solar panels both residential and commercial can go a long way towards saving our planet and saving money. Paul discussed what is involved with purchasing, installing and benefiting from solar energy.





SPOTLIGHT ON BEN SMITH

— Engineering & Operations —

How long have you worked for Eagle Solar & Light?
I have been working with Eagle for close to 5 years! I started in the early spring of 2018 as a college student. My journey with Eagle began through system installation and being part of the field crew! I was a part of the install team until the fall of 2020, when I moved into the Birmingham office as a Solar Facilitator.

What is your favorite part of your job?
There are a lot of things that I enjoy about my job! I really enjoy 3D-Modeling and getting to utilize creativity through system design. It's fun to configure solar-electrical components and put PV systems together piece by piece. But the best part is working with a team that focuses on providing renewable energy options for homeowners, businesses, as well as non-profits.

If you could have one superpower, what would it be?
I would have to go with Omnilingualism - I would like to have the ability to speak, write, understand, and communicate in any language!

What do you like to do when you aren't working?
I like to keep busy when I'm not working! Currently, I am studying for my NABCEP PV Associate certification with plans to take my exam in May! I both play and write music. I have been playing electric and acoustic guitar since I was 8 years old and recently began playing the bass and studying bass theory. Music holds major importance in my life and like my design work, I find a lot of artistic expression and creativity through playing music. I currently have a band with a couple of close friends, Kindred & The Spirits.

If you could go back in time to your first day on the job, what advice would you give yourself?
Ask more questions than necessary & be prepared to wear more than one hat!



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