

News from the States (August-September)

Connecticut

Governor Lamont: Program <u>Investing in Remote Learning for Connecticut Students</u> Is Ahead of Schedule on Device Delivery and Internet Connectivity

Governor Lamont Increases Funding for Housing Assistance Programs, Extends Eviction Moratorium To October 1

Governor Lamont Announces Connecticut Submits Application To FEMA for Supplemental Disaster Wage Unemployment Benefits

Governor Lamont Announces <u>Additional Coronavirus Relief Funding</u> to Assist Connecticut School Districts With Fall Operations

Governor Lamont Announces Connecticut <u>Receives \$6.7M Grant for Electric Bus</u> <u>Facility Upgrades in Stamford</u>

Connecticut regulator isn't interested in utilities' 'excuses' on <u>power grid failures</u> (Energy News Network)

State officials considering <u>new performance-based regulation system for energy</u> <u>companies</u> (WTNH)

Maine

Governor Mills Announces <u>Phase 2 of Maine Economic Recovery Grant Program</u> Funding for Expanded Pool of Maine Businesses & Non-Profits

Governor Mills Launches <u>\$200 Million Economic Recovery Grant Program</u> to Support Maine Small Businesses

As Maine Seeks to Maintain Relatively Low Virus Spread, Governor Mills <u>Renews State</u> of <u>Civil Emergency</u>

Efficiency Maine's <u>lighting incentive program</u> was modified to help contractors during the pandemic *(Energy News Network)*

Massachusetts

Governor Baker Signs \$1.8 Billion Bond Bill to <u>Improve Information Technology</u>, <u>Public</u> <u>Safety and Food Security</u> Baker-Polito Administration Announces New Initiatives to Stop Spread of COVID-19

Massachusetts Offshore Wind Projects Book Staging Spot (offshoreWIND.biz)

New Hampshire

August Jobs Report Shows New Hampshire Economy Makes Significant Gains

Governor Chris Sununu Statement Following <u>Award of 230 Research and Development</u> <u>Tax Credits to NH Businesses</u>

N.H.'s Clean Energy Sector Hopes For Post-Covid <u>Stimulus Support To Restore Jobs</u>, Lower Emissions (*NHPR*)

New York

Governor Cuomo Announces New Proposed Regulations as Part of the <u>Accelerated</u> <u>Renewable Energy Growth and Community Benefit Act to Combat Climate Change</u>

Governor Cuomo Announces <u>\$2.3 Million in Cares Act Funding Awarded</u> to Help Small and Mid-sized Manufacturers Recover from COVID-19 Pandemic

Governor Cuomo Announces <u>\$15.1 Million in Federal Funding to Support Emergency</u> <u>Planning and Response</u>

Governor Cuomo Announces That, Based on Each Region's Infection Rate, <u>Schools</u> <u>Across New York State are Permitted to Open This Fall</u>

Rhode Island

Governor Issues Statewide "Drought Advisory" to Raise Awareness of Dry Conditions

Rhode Island-Based <u>Jobs Rose 6,900 from July; August Unemployment Rate Increases</u> to 12.8 Percent

R.I. buys 600,000 masks, thousands of thermometers and gowns to <u>help schools</u> reopen (*Providence Journal*)

<u>RI School Year Now Extended Thru June 25</u>, Raimondo Says Testing "Not Where It Needs to Be" (*GoLocalProv*)

Vermont

Agency of Natural Resources Secretary Julie Moore: <u>We need real solutions on climate</u> (*VT Digger*)

Governor Phil Scott Congratulates Quebec on Autoroute 35 Groundbreaking

Vermont Secures Federal Funding for <u>Increased Unemployment Benefits</u> Through the Lost Wages Assistance Program

Governor Phil Scott Announces <u>Utility Bill Relief Program</u> for Vermonters Impacted by COVID-19

Governor Phil Scott Extends State of Emergency to September 15

Governor Phil Scott Announces the State of Vermont is <u>Distributing 300,000 Free Cloth</u> <u>Face Coverings</u>

Vermont and USDA Sign Interstate Shipping Agreement for Meat and Poultry Products

Governor Phil Scott Announces <u>Front-Line Employees Hazard Pay Grant Program</u> Applications to Open for Employers on August 4