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## NJMC BUSINESS ACCELERATOR CLIENT COMPANY WINS AWARD

**LYNDHURST, NJ-** Solaris Cybernetics, a client of the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission Business Accelerator, was chosen as the ***Best Company in Renewable Energy*** at the New Jersey Technology Council Venture Conference on March 27. Solaris is designing seaworthy robots to produce fuel from algae using the company's patented and patent-pending technologies.

"The NJMC is proud of the good work Solaris Cybernetics is undertaking to create renewable energy in the Meadowlands District," said Robert Ceberio, NJMC Executive Director. "We look forward to Solaris' future success in their quest to make our world more sustainable, while also expanding their company and creating jobs in New Jersey."

The founder and CEO of Solaris Cybernetics, Rudy Behrens and his partners, Steve Moy and Donal McNally, are currently working on the production of a robotic algae harvester. The harvester will be powered by solar and wind energy and will grow algae while floating in water. The algae produced will be converted into fuel that can be used to generate power. Rudy and his team are planning to launch the harvester into the Hackensack River, with assistance from the NJMC's Meadowlands Environmental Research Institute, in the near future.

Solaris Cybernetics was one of 60-plus companies that took part in the NJTC Venture Conference, held in Somerset, NJ. The event showcased products and services from emerging companies throughout the eastern region. The companies exhibiting were all emerging high-growth businesses with unique products and services. More than 600 people attended the conference, including members of the investment community, professional service providers, incubator managers and potential business partners.



Solaris Cybernetics is one of the first companies to set up shop at the NJMC Business Accelerator in Lyndhurst, the state's newest business incubator, which provides a tremendous resource for entrepreneurial companies developing alternative energy and green technologies and services. The NJMC Business Accelerator opened in October thanks to a \$1.5 million three-year grant from the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission. It has space to accommodate more than 30 companies.

To learn more about Solaris Cybernetics, please visit [www.solariscybernetics.com](http://www.solariscybernetics.com). Information on the NJMC Business Accelerator is available at [www.NJMCaccelerator.com](http://www.NJMCaccelerator.com). To learn more about the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission and other programs it sponsors to encourage the growth of local businesses and green technology, visit the Commission's Web site [www.njmeadowlands.gov](http://www.njmeadowlands.gov).

