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**TMLP's first customer eligible for Solar Rebate
Russell Morris to be presented with check on Thursday, July 22, 2010**

(Taunton, MA) –Taunton has a new 14-panel solar array in its backyard...actually, it's Russell Morris' backyard to be specific. In a matter of months, the plan, design, approval, and installation of a 3.2kW solar electric system took place at the Morris home.

According to Sunlight Solar Energy of Newton, the panels will have a life expectancy of about 40 years and claim to cover approximately 65% of his overall electric use. "We're pleased that customers are responding to our new TMLP Solar Rebate Program," explains Michael Horrigan, General Manager at the Taunton Municipal Lighting Plant.

"Mr. Morris is the first customer we will have the pleasure of rebating monies to for the installation of a system. We have several others in the cue and are delighted that TMLP customers will benefit directly from monies earmarked for "green" or renewable projects.

It has long been our strategy to maintain a healthy green energy portfolio (including energy conservation, landfill gas, biomass and high-efficiency natural gas – esp. as it relates to our proposed Unit 10) and this is just one more tool in the bag enabling us to do so."

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TMLP will rebate projects up to 2.5kW or \$4/watt for a maximum rebate of \$10,000.

When coupled with a 30% Federal Tax Credit and \$1,000 state credit, the savings on a system are significant, making the payback period very reasonable.

On Thursday evening, July 22nd, TMLP commissioners Peter Corr, Joseph Martin and Mark Blackwell Sr. will visit with Mr. Morris at his home to see the system and present the \$10,000 check. Members of the press are invited as well.

TMLP serves 36,000 customers in Taunton, Raynham, Berkley, North Dighton and sections in Lakeville and Bridgewater.

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