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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Licensing of Solar Electric Installers and Contractors**

Denver, Colorado --- The Department of Regulatory Agencies' Office of Policy, Research and Regulatory Reform (OPRRR) is currently conducting a sunrise review to determine if the General Assembly should regulate solar panel installers. An application to regulate the occupation was filed by the Colorado Solar Energy Association on January 24, 2008.

The sunrise application asserts that the occupation should be regulated to protect consumers by raising quality and safety standards and creation of statewide standards.

The sunrise application states that consumers have been harmed from receiving electrical shocks from improperly grounded systems as well as financially harmed from improper design or improper installation of solar systems.

The Department of Regulatory Agencies' Office of Policy, Research and Regulatory Reform will submit its findings to the General Assembly by May 23, 2008. The review will include a recommendation on whether to regulate this occupation.

Any interested party may provide input on this review by contacting OPRRR directly or on-line at [http://www.dora.state.co.us/pls/real/OPR\\_Review\\_Comments.Main](http://www.dora.state.co.us/pls/real/OPR_Review_Comments.Main).



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