

# Sample Survey for Renewable Energy Home or Business Owners

Home or business owner's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of interview: \_\_\_\_\_

a) Which renewable energy resource(s) do you use in your home or business? Circle those that apply.

**Solar:** Water heater  
Photovoltaic  
Passive solar design  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Hydro:** Privately owned hydroelectric generator  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Wind:** Wind turbine  
Windmill  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Biomass:** Wood (space heating)  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_

b) Why did you decide to use renewable energy resources in your home or business?

c) What, if any, adjustments to your lifestyle have you made to live/work comfortably in your home or business? Which do you like? Which do you find inconvenient?

d) How would you respond if someone said to you: "I've often thought about using renewable energy resources, but \_\_\_\_\_."  
(Fill in the blank with one or more reasons you've heard or can think of why people don't use renewables. Then provide a response for each reason.)

e) Is there anything else you would like to add?

\*Remember to thank the person for taking the time to answer these questions. If this survey is to be mailed, be sure to include a cover letter (see **Template for Cover Letter**) and to remove this and the previous sentence from their copy.