"Each hour, the sun radiates more energy onto the earth than the entire human population uses in one whole year."

American Energy Independence, www.americanenergyindependence.com

The Initiative for Renewable Energy in Architecture (re-ARCH)

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re-ARCH's primary initiative is to provide hands-on knowledge, resources, and tools that design professionals need to integrate renewable energy, assess its economic costs, and determine its environmental benefits. The goal of re-ARCH is to substantially increase the knowledge and technical abilities of Minnesota design professionals in the field of renewable energy. re-ARCH is supported by a grant from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA).

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