CAPITOL WATCH

Senate Rejects Open Space Preservation Ballot Question
In a rare summer session, the New Jersey Senate rejected a resolution which would have placed a question on November’s ballot dealing with the preservation of open space. Read more

What’s on the Environmental Horizon?
At Wednesday’s Environmental Business Council (EBC) meeting, more than 100 members heard from the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)’s chief advisor to the Commissioner, Ray Cantor. Read more

Disaster Response & Business Continuity Report to Head to President Obama
Soon after Hurricane Sandy hit the tri-state area, President Obama signed an Executive Order creating a task force comprised of representatives from various federal agencies including the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the US Department of Commerce and the US Small Business Administration to name a few. Read the rest of this article and learn about two important Hurricane Sandy Recovery events here.

MEMBER NEWS

Hackensack University Medical Center recently celebrated its 22nd Annual Emergency Medical
Services Excellence Awards Dinner at the Stony Hill Inn in Hackensack, New Jersey. First responders from across the county were honored for their services, and several scholarships were awarded. Read more

Englewood Hospital and Medical Center and the Yale School of Medicine in New Haven, CT, teamed up to offer students at Hackensack's Bergen County Academies (BCA) a rare, behind-the-scenes look at one of the region's most prestigious research laboratories. Read more

TD Bank has named Jose A. Martinez as Store Manager of the store located at 53 South Laurel St. in Bridgeton, N.J. Read more

HEADLINES

Asbury Park Press

- Auto sales rise, small cars enjoy summer surge
- US employers add 162K jobs

The Bergen Record

- Sandy grants start flowing to businesses
- American Dream project is moving forward

The Star Ledger

- Merck to close Kenilworth facility, 113 laid off
- Starbucks to add stores with wireless recharging

Philadelphia Inquirer

- Court upholds NJ curb on carrying handguns
- Fight over kids' medical pot continues