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## **Energize Connecticut to Host Annual Family Science Day and ENERGY STAR® Change the World Tour Kickoff**

*Free daylong event will feature family-friendly science and environmental activities*

**NORTH HAVEN, Conn. – Sept. 8, 2016** – On Saturday, October 1, the Energize Connecticut partners – Eversource and AVANGRID, Inc. subsidiaries United Illuminating, Southern Connecticut Gas and Connecticut Natural Gas – will host their annual Family Science Day at the Energize Connecticut Center. The event will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the center, 122 Universal Drive North, North Haven. It is free of charge and open to the public.

The family-friendly event will also serve as the official kickoff for Connecticut’s ENERGY STAR® Change the World Tour, a month-long, national initiative that combines energy efficiency with community service.

The day’s activities will begin with Effy the Energy-Efficient Dinosaur leading an LED torch lighting ceremony signifying the start of the Change the World Tour in Connecticut.

Other fun-filled activities and entertainment scheduled throughout the day, include:

- 10:30-11:15 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.: Sciencetellers will conduct elaborate science experiments and tell accompanying stories
- 11 a.m.-1 p.m.: Danny Magic comedy and magic show
- Noon-3 p.m.: Billy the Clown will provide balloon animal and clown shows
- 12:30-3 p.m.: Animal Embassy will be on-hand with rescue animals
- 1-3 p.m.: Mad Science will perform a number of science activities, including “Energy Blast” and “Fantastic Forces.”

Additionally, the first 200 guests will each receive a new ENERGY STAR® LED bulb, and TechniArt will be on-hand selling discounted LED bulbs.

For more information about Family Science Day and to see a full schedule of the day’s activities, please call 203-799-0460 or visit <http://www.energizect.com/family-science-day-2016>.

### ***About the Energize Connecticut Center***

The Energize Connecticut Center is the only place in the state that provides children and adults with a hands-on learning experience to discover the important role that energy plays in our daily lives – free of charge. Its interactive exhibits and state-of-the-art displays showcase different energy sources, demonstrate how we use energy, and convey the benefits of smart energy choices, including cost savings, comfort, convenience, sustainability, and environmental impacts.



Open to visitors of all ages, the Energize Connecticut Center is professionally staffed with energy experts to help you learn about the latest energy efficient and renewable energy ideas and technologies. For more information, please visit [EnergizeCT.com/center](http://EnergizeCT.com/center) or call 203-799-0460.

***About Energize Connecticut***

Energize Connecticut helps you save money and use clean energy. It is an initiative of the Energy Efficiency Fund, the Connecticut Green Bank, the State, and your local electric and gas utilities, with funding from a charge on customer energy bills. Information on energy-saving programs can be found at [EnergizeCT.com](http://EnergizeCT.com) or by calling 1.877.WISE.USE.

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