



(Research on Lifestyles, Values and Environment)  
UNIVERSITY OF SURREY, Guildford, Surrey GU2 7XH

## **FORTHCOMING SEMINAR**

**Wednesday 21 March 2007, 1300 hrs**

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**Dr. Nick Carter**  
Owner, NPC Solar

### **From the Belly of the Beast: 10 years of Greening America**

In 1997 Dr Nick Carter moved from Surrey to California, full of expectation of riding a growing "green" wave in transportation, energy and lifestyle.

Things didn't quite turn out as hoped, with some fascinating twists and turns, but it is interesting to compare the changes with regard to renewable energy and sustainable living that have occurred in those 10 years both in the UK and the USA.

Dr Carter has worked on almost 40 photovoltaic installations in Sonoma County, California and recently founded npc Solar, to provide solar electric systems design and energy efficiency services. After having two leased electric cars taken away by one of the major car companies, he now owns and drives a freeway-capable fully-electric car which is "fuelled" from the grid that is supplied by the local ~1,000MW Geysers geothermal plant. He has served as local chapter president of the Electric Auto Association for 4 years and on the national board of the EAA from 2004-2006 and also teaches community classes on sustainable living.

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