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The nation's first community-owned solar garden began operations on August 30 in El Jebel, CO. The Clean Energy Collective allows members to purchase portions of the solar energy panels, which will offset the cost of their monthly utility bills and contributes to creating local, sustainable energy solutions. This model of community-based and -owned alternative energy will be an inspiration to communities across the world looking for ways to bring energy production to the local level.

Distributed Energy ^[1] quotes Senator Schwartz, regarding this impressive achievement: "Colorado is leading the nation when it comes to attracting industry, attracting innovation, and attracting technology. This is one of the most important parts of it. We actually have mechanisms now to make renewable energy affordable to all households."

To read more about the Clean Energy Collective, visit their website ^[2].

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