

# Turks and Caicos Islands phantom energy solutions

Who owns Turks & Caicos utility limited (TCU)?

Turks & Caicos Utility Limited (TCU) is wholly owned by FortisTCI and provides electricity to Grand Turk and Salt Cay. In 2010, the government of Turks and Caicos contracted with a consultant to draft recommendations for exploring the use of renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies to create a more sustainable energy framework.

Will fortistci create a future for the Turks and Caicos Islands?

Speaking at the company's first-ever Turks and Caicos Energy Forum held at the Shore Club on Thursday, October 21, Mrs. Forbes reassured all stakeholders that FortisTCI is committed to collaborating to create an energy future in the best interest of the Turks and Caicos Islands.

Could ocean thermal energy help Turks and Caicos meet its peak demand?

Once wave and ocean thermal technologies are proven in the marketplace, ocean energy and ocean thermal energy conversion have potential as well. Abundant wind and solar resources, as well as the potential for other renewable sources could help Turks and Caicos meet or exceed its peak demand of 34.7 MW.

Does Turks and Caicos have a policy on energy efficiency?

Turks and Caicos has few policies related to energy efficiency and renewable energy. Historically, the territory has not implemented policy mechanisms to aid in the development of clean and energy-efficient technologies.

Should the Turks and Caicos Islands embrace a sustainable future?

Calling for a national sustainability effort to tackle climate change and create a greener economy for the Turks and Caicos Islands, Mrs. Forbes stated, "We can and must embrace an energy future built on sustainability for our economy and planet. We have a unique opportunity to do so and to do it right."

How much does electricity cost in Turks and Caicos?

The 2015 electricity rates in Turks and Caicos are \$0.29 per kilowatt-hour (kWh), slightly below the Caribbean regional average of \$0.33/kWh. Like many island nations, Turks and Caicos is almost 100% reliant on imported fossil fuel, leaving it vulnerable to global oil price fluctuations that have a direct impact on the cost of electricity.

The EUD aims to increase the production of energy from renewable resources. The leaf and flame icon over the yellow background represents the fuel sector, which is one of the three sectors regulated by the EUD.

The Turks and Caicos Islands is a crown colony of the United Kingdom. The United Kingdom Government indicated that they will consult with UK Crown Dependencies and Overseas Territories on extending the Paris Agreement and the UK's NDC to cover their emissions at an appropriate point in the future.

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Last week, the Turks and Caicos Islands (TCI) Government, FortisTCI, and the Clinton Foundation signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to begin implementing initiatives outlined in the country's Resilient National Energy Transition Strategy (R-NETS). The signing of this MOU on Wednesday, October 23, marks an important step

Citing the rapid changes taking place in the energy industry due to climate change and technological developments, Mrs. Forbes noted that if the Turks and Caicos Islands is not part of this energy transformation, "we risk being left behind."

The Renewable Energy Bill's overarching goal is to reduce the reliance on fossil fuels, increase energy diversity, enhance energy security, and support the transition to a sustainable energy future that will benefit the environment and the ...

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The Forum provided a valuable platform for discussions on the advancement of renewable energy solutions in the Caribbean region. "During the event, I engaged with key stakeholders, industry experts and government officials to exchange ideas on strategies to promote sustainable energy development.

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