

**Formal Paper 2 - Energy  
Rubric EnvS 001**

<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>3 Excellent</b>	<b>2 Proficient</b>	<b>1 Approaching Proficiency</b>
<b>Organization</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information is very organized with well-constructed paragraphs.</li> <li>• All paragraphs include introductory sentence, explanations or details, and concluding sentence.</li> <li>• Each sentence and paragraph flows into the next, using effective transitions.</li> <li>• Very clear introduction, thesis statement, topic sections, discussion, summary and conclusion; organization is easy to follow.</li> <li>• Headings comply with APA format.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information is organized with well-constructed paragraphs.</li> <li>• Most paragraphs include introductory sentence, explanations or details, and concluding sentence.</li> <li>• Most sentences and paragraphs flow into the next, using effective transitions.</li> <li>• Clear introduction, thesis statement, topic sections, discussion, summary, and conclusion; organization is not as easy to follow.</li> <li>• Most headings comply with APA format.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information is somewhat organized, with some well-constructed paragraphs.</li> <li>• Some paragraphs include introductory sentence, explanations or details, and concluding sentence.</li> <li>• Some sentences and paragraphs flow into the next, using effective transitions.</li> <li>• Introduction, thesis statement, topic sections, discussion, summary and conclusion are mostly present; organization is difficult to follow.</li> <li>• Some headings comply with APA format.</li> </ul>
<b>Mechanics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No grammatical, spelling or punctuation errors.</li> <li>• No run-on sentences.</li> <li>• No incomplete sentences.</li> <li>• Verb always agrees in number with its subject.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One grammatical, one spelling and /or one punctuation error.</li> <li>• One run-on sentence.</li> <li>• One incomplete sentence</li> <li>• One instance of verb not agreeing in number with its subject.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More than one grammatical, spelling, and/or punctuation errors.</li> <li>• More than one run-on sentence.</li> <li>• More than one incomplete sentence.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consistently presents parallel ideas in parallel or coordinate form (parallel construction).</li> <li>• Uses active voice predominantly.</li> <li>• Consistently demonstrates economy of expression: no redundancy, wordiness, jargon, evasiveness, or clumsy prose.</li> <li>• No use of biased language.</li> <li>• Consistently applies APA guidelines correctly.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One instance of parallel ideas not in parallel or coordinate form (parallel construction).</li> <li>• Good use of active voice.</li> <li>• Usually demonstrates economy of expression: one instance of redundancy, wordiness, jargon, evasiveness, and/or clumsy prose.</li> <li>• One instance of biased language.</li> <li>• Usually applies APA guidelines correctly.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More than one instance of verb not agreeing in number with its subject.</li> <li>• More than one instance of parallel ideas not in parallel or coordinate form (parallel construction).</li> <li>• Overuse of passive voice.</li> <li>• Sometimes demonstrates economy of expression: more than one instance of redundancy, wordiness, jargon, evasiveness, and/or clumsy prose.</li> <li>• More than one instance of biased language.</li> <li>• Sometimes applies APA guidelines correctly.</li> </ul>
<b>Quality of Information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thesis is very interesting and relevant to primary question about renewable energy.</li> <li>• Information clearly relates to the thesis.</li> <li>• Clearly addresses questions 1, 2, and 3.</li> <li>• Provides enough supporting details and/or examples to clearly explain each idea.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thesis is interesting and relevant to primary questions about renewable energy.</li> <li>• Information mostly relates to the thesis.</li> <li>• Clearly addresses most parts of questions 1, 2, and 3.</li> <li>• Provides one or two supporting details and/or examples for each idea.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thesis is somewhat interesting and relevant to primary question about renewable energy.</li> <li>• Information sometimes relates to the thesis.</li> <li>• Clearly addresses some parts of questions 1, 2, and 3.</li> <li>• One or two ideas are not supported with details and/or examples.</li> </ul>

<b>Amount of Information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develops each topic that is presented in the introduction, including all 3 questions.</li> <li>• All aspects of each topic are addressed, with at least 2 paragraphs about each.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develops most topics that are presented in the introduction, including all 3 questions.</li> <li>• Most aspects of each topic are addressed, with at least 2 paragraphs about each.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develops some of the topics that are presented in the introduction, including all 3 questions.</li> <li>• Most aspects of each topic are addressed, with less than 2 paragraphs about 1 or more aspects.</li> </ul>
<b>Sources*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All sources are consistently and accurately cited in APA format in the text.</li> <li>• All exact quotes are followed by the page number in APA format.</li> <li>• All lines of exact quotes of more than 40 words are indented, without quotation marks.</li> <li>• All sources are accurately documented in APA format in the reference list.</li> <li>• All sources cited in the text are in the reference list.</li> <li>• All sources in the reference list are cited in the text.</li> <li>• Reference list entries are in alphabetical order, each entry has hanging indent.</li> <li>• All sources are credible and relevant.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One source is not cited in APA format in the text.</li> <li>• One exact quote does not have the page number in APA format.</li> <li>• One exact quote of more than 40 words is not in APA format</li> <li>• All sources are in the reference list, one is not in correct APA format.</li> <li>• One source cited in text is missing in reference list.</li> <li>• One source in the reference list is not cited in the text.</li> <li>• Reference list is not in alphabetical order <i>or</i> entries do not have hanging indent.</li> <li>• Most sources are credible and relevant.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More than one source is not cited in APA format in the text.</li> <li>• More than one exact quote does not have the page number in APA format.</li> <li>• More than one exact quote of more than 40 words is not in APA format.</li> <li>• All sources are in the reference list, more than one is not in correct APA format.</li> <li>• More than source cited in text is missing in reference list.</li> <li>• More than one source in the reference list not cited in text.</li> <li>• Reference list is not in alphabetical order <i>and</i> entries do not have hanging indent.</li> <li>• Some sources are credible and relevant.</li> </ul>

**\*Must meet the following minimum requirements to get any points in this category:**

- At least 7 internet sources from .gov .edu. and/or .org domains, at least one source for each type of nonfossil fuel energy
- Include citations from Miller and Spoolman (2009)

