## **Survey of Energy Use and Energy Conservation in Greenhouse Production in Northern New England**

## **Summary of Results December 2011**

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This survey was conducted among growers in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont in 2010-2011 to obtain baseline information on energy consumption and conservation measures used in greenhouses. Results will provide key information on the current status of energy use in the region, and lead to targeted programs that effectively meet grower needs. A total of 53 surveys were completed from the 2,000 sent out, the results of which are summarized below.

## **Key outcomes:**

Responses differed significantly in the three states, but for simplicity, below are the results averaged among all states.

56.6% of the growers surveyed were retail vegetable growers, 66% were