

# Policy & Government Affairs Internship Northeast Clean Energy Council

Fall Semester 2024

**NOTE:** Fall 2024 Applicants must be eligible under the Fall 2024 RI Clean Energy Internship Program and should submit their application through the <u>Clean Energy Jobs Board</u>.

#### **ORGANIZATIONAL OVERVIEW**

NECEC (Northeast Clean Energy Council & NECEC Institute) leads the just, equitable, and rapid transition to a clean energy future and a diverse climate economy. NECEC is the only organization in the Northeast that covers all of the clean energy market segments, representing the business perspectives of investors and clean energy companies across every stage of development. NECEC members span the broad spectrum of the clean energy industry, including clean transportation, energy efficiency, wind, solar, energy storage, microgrids, fuel cells, and advanced and "smart" technologies.

NECEC includes the Northeast Clean Energy Council (a nonprofit business member organization) and NECEC Institute (a nonprofit focused on industry research, innovation, policy development and communications initiatives). NECEC brings together business leaders and key stakeholders to engage in influential policy discussions and business initiatives while building connections that propel the clean energy industry forward.

NECEC is the lead voice for hundreds of clean energy companies across the Northeast, influencing the energy policy agenda and growing the clean energy economy. NECEC's Policy and Government Affairs team works to influence the energy policy agenda to support the mission of the NECEC and the business objectives of NECEC members, as well as to highlight the benefits of clean energy to the citizens, businesses, and industry of New England.

NECEC is committed to providing an inclusive and supportive work environment. We celebrate and embrace diversity among our staff and network, and work hard to create a team atmosphere based on mutual respect. Our staff is hard-working and team-oriented.

### **POSITION BACKGROUND**

Public policies are major drivers for the clean energy industry, which operates in the context of a highly regulated environment. The six New England states and New York have implemented a portfolio of clean energy policies and a diverse set of nation-leading programs that have both near- and long-term impacts on the acceleration of regional clean energy companies and jobs, and the adoption of clean energy solutions to energy and environmental concerns, including energy costs, energy source diversity, energy security, and reduction in greenhouse gas (GHG) and other emissions.

### **POSITION DESCRIPTION**

NECEC is seeking a policy intern to support the Policy and Government Affairs team. Reporting directly to the VP of Policy & Government Affairs, the policy intern will be responsible for supporting NECEC's policy development and policy advocacy efforts across the Northeast. Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Literature review, policy research, and preliminary policy analysis
- Regulatory and legislative bill tracking and preparation of summary reports
- Communications and logistical support to the Policy Committee and Working Groups
- Drafting of letters, memoranda, reports, blogs, and presentations
- Administrative and support to the Policy and Government Affairs team
- Attending events and webinars, hosted by NECEC and external organizations
- Students with energy and environmental policy, economics and planning concentrations are highly encouraged to apply

The policy internship is part-time, starting in late September and ending in December. The intern will work primarily remotely, with opportunities to meet the team during events and organizational meetups. This position is compensated at \$15/hr.

## QUALIFICATIONS

Qualified candidates should:

- Have a keen interest in energy issues
- Have strong written and oral communication skills
- Demonstrate strong analytical capabilities
- Be able to work independently, with initial guidance
- Be flexible
- Be able to tackle multiple assignments simultaneously or long in depth projects
- Pay close attention to detail
- Demonstrate leadership capabilities

This internship is a tremendous opportunity to work with seasoned energy policy experts and provides exposure to some of the most successful and rapidly growing businesses in the clean energy industry in the Northeast and nationally.

The Policy Intern will report to the Vice President and work with NECEC's Policy and Government Affairs team. The Policy and Government Affairs team includes NECEC's President, the Vice President, Director of Public Policy, Sr. Counsel and Legislative and Regulatory Analyst. The intern may also work with NECEC's Communications and Innovation teams as well as our state coordinators and partners in Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont.

Please send your resume, cover letter indicating your interest and explaining how your skills will support NECEC, and a short writing sample to Oliwia Krupinska, Policy and Regulatory Analyst, at <u>okrupinska@necec.org</u>.