



Open Position: Technical and Policy Analyst

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Renewable Northwest seeks a highly motivated Technical and Policy Analyst to represent the organization and support legislative, regulatory, and policy activities aimed at advancing the adoption of clean energy and energy storage. The Technical & Policy Analyst can be a remote or hybrid position, however the employee must be based in the Pacific Northwest as this position requires occasional travel throughout the western United States.

ABOUT RENEWABLE NORTHWEST

Renewable Northwest is a regional nonprofit advocacy organization promoting the expansion of environmentally responsible new renewable resources such as wind, solar, storage, wave, and geothermal energy. Seen as a model by national allies, Renewable Northwest serves four Northwest states – Oregon, Washington, Montana, and Idaho. Member organizations include leading renewable energy businesses, environmental organizations, consumer groups, and other renewable energy sector affiliates. Renewable Northwest offers a dynamic, challenging, and rewarding workplace where staff collaborates with members and allies to move the Northwest away from fossil fuels toward a clean energy future. In the past 25 years, Renewable Northwest has helped the region grow from 0 to over 9,000 megawatts of new renewable resources, building on the region's hydropower legacy. Employees hold individual responsibility for respective focus areas but are well supported by fellow staff who collaborate closely across policy, regulatory, and industry sectors.

Renewable Northwest values a diverse workplace and strongly encourages people from diverse backgrounds to apply for this position, including people of color, people with disabilities, immigrants, people with lived experience, and members of the LGBTQ+ community. Renewable Northwest is an equal opportunity employer. Applicants will not be discriminated against based on race, color, religion, age, sex, national origin, disability status, genetics, protected veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or any other characteristic protected by federal, state, or local laws.

PRINCIPAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Represent Renewable Northwest in legislative, regulatory, and agency proceedings, through written and oral comments and expert testimony.
- Develop, analyze, and critique utility, state, and regional renewable energy policy proposals.
- Evaluate utility integrated resource planning cost, as well as energy production cost and capacity expansion models.

- Prepare high-impact technical reports and white papers as well as presentations to critical stakeholders and external audiences and will assist in the planning and delivery of outreach and engagement opportunities including workshops and conferences.
- Coordinate with member organizations and other allies to develop policy proposals and technology-based solutions to expand opportunities for clean energy infrastructure and investment.
- Develop trust and maintain relationships with decision-makers, the broader environmental community, community-based organizations, and other key stakeholders.
- Collaborate with and support other Renewable Northwest staff on issues such as renewable energy policy, renewable energy standards, market development, transmission congestion, distribution system planning, storage technologies, integrated resource planning, and climate change.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Passion for a clean energy future.
- Degree in a relevant field with 2+ years of relevant work experience. Relevant work experience includes (but is not limited to) work in utility, policy, economics, electrical engineering, or government settings.
- Knowledge and experience related to the planning and design of electricity infrastructure, including:
 - Understanding of energy storage technologies, inverter-based energy generation technologies, transmission, and distribution systems.
 - Knowledge of how different resources contribute to resource adequacy.
 - Familiarity with the stakeholders, utilities, and regulatory bodies engaged in clean energy technology deployment and related policy implementation.
- Knowledge of energy policy and the utility regulatory process.
- General understanding of western electricity markets
- Significant technical interest in the areas of electricity infrastructure analysis, valuation, and regulatory approaches.
- Demonstrated ability to apply energy & environmental principles, theories, and concepts in the fields of electricity infrastructure technology and policy.
- Proven ability to work both independently and collaboratively in a dynamic team environment.
- Strong quantitative analysis and technical writing skills.
- Ability to manage multiple tactical projects while advancing cohesive overarching strategy.
- Ability to work rapidly, yet strategically, within tight deadlines.
- Knowledge of Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) and Google Apps (Drive, Docs, Sheets, Gmail).
- Strong work ethic and positive approach to work, team, and alliances.
- Self-motivation, initiative, and problem-solving skills.

COMPENSATION & AMENITIES

Starting Annual Salary Range: \$75,000 - \$80,000, commensurate with experience.

Renewable Northwest offers a very comprehensive benefits package, including:

- Full Medical (with vision) and Dental coverage for employees and family members
- Generous paid time off policy and 11 paid holidays
- Paid family medical leave
- Paid day of service
- Flexible work schedule
- Employer contribution equal to 5% of salary to a SEP/IRA retirement account

TO APPLY

Submit the following materials via email to: admin@renewablenw.org

- Cover Letter
- Resume
- List of three references (include: name, title, relationship to applicant, contact info)
- Writing sample, preferably relevant to the job description

Please include the requested documents as separate attachments in MS Word, PDF, or rich text (RTF) format. Incomplete applications will not be considered.