



Job Opening: STRATEGIC ENERGY RESOURCE POLICY MANAGER

\$160,000 - \$230,000 annually

For full details on the position and directions on how to apply:

<https://sonomacleanpower.org/job-opportunities>

Are you ready to lead the charge in shaping the future of local clean energy? Join Sonoma Clean Power (SCP) as a Strategic Energy Resource Policy Manager!

SCP is on the lookout for a dynamic and experienced Strategic Energy Resource Policy Manager to play a key role in delivering on our Mission to turn the tide on the climate crisis, through bold ideas and practical programs. As the community-owned electricity provider for Sonoma and Mendocino counties, SCP is at the forefront of California's clean power transition, and we need an innovative thinker like you to join our team!

About Sonoma Clean Power (SCP)

SCP is not just an electricity provider; we are a catalyst for change. We procure electricity from clean, renewable sources including solar, wind and geothermal. Our commitment to clean energy has made us a leader in the industry, and we've been providing an optional 100% local renewable source since 2014.

Summary Description

As our Strategic Energy Resource Policy Manager, you will work under the CEO to advance SCP's critical power resource development through developing strategy, informing and advocating for supportive transmission planning, project interconnection, and the many other technical aspects of enabling power generation and storage resources.

The Strategic Energy Resource Policy Manager will work across the organization with SCP leadership and staff in some or all functions related to power supply planning, demand load forecasting, risk management, and regulatory and legislative policy. This position will develop significant subject matter expertise in SCP's energy policy and will be required to work independently on various projects as they come up, including topical research, developing advocacy positions, commercial analysis & decision-making, and interfacing with stakeholders in policy related matters.

Visit www.sonomacleanpower.org to learn more about SCP.

To apply, please email a cover letter, resume, and references as a single PDF to:
jobs@sonomacleanpower.org

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POSITION SUMMARY DESCRIPTION

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Persons working in this job class will work across the organization with Sonoma Clean Power ("SCP") leadership and staff in some or all functions related to power supply planning, demand load forecasting, risk management, and regulatory and legislative policy. The individual in this position will develop significant subject matter expertise in SCP's energy policy and will be required to work independently on various projects as they come up, including topical research, developing advocacy positions, commercial analysis & decision-making, and interfacing with stakeholders in policy related matters.

This position will have increasing and significant autonomy to explore novel solutions to problems facing SCP as a load-serving entity (LSE) with core mandates of reducing greenhouse gas emissions, maintaining competitive and stable electric rates, supporting economic development in Sonoma and Mendocino Counties, and meeting SCP's obligations under our Board directed legislative and regulatory mandates. This includes providing strategic direction and leading regulatory advocacy supportive of SCP's Geothermal Opportunity Zone (GeoZone) initiative to develop 600 MW of new local geothermal resources and SCP's broader Integrated Resource Plan. This position will develop and support advocacy of SCP's interests in renewable project development including significant interaction with CAISO and CEC staff, developers and transmission providers, and a supporting role in CPUC advocacy.

REPORTING AND SUPERVISION

This role operates under the direct supervision of the Chief Executive Officer. Additional guidance is provided by the Director of Regulatory Affairs, Managing Director of Power

Procurement, and Director of Planning and Analytics. State legislative strategies are guided by SCP's Legislative Policy and Community Engagement Manager. This role involves significant discretion, independent work and may involve giving instructions to support staff and external consultants.

LOCATION

This position can be based at SCP's Business Office in Santa Rosa or in a hybrid mode with up to four days per week remote. However, three days per week in Santa Rosa is required for the first six months to familiarize with the day-to-day work of SCP. It is essential to have a convenient means of attending meetings held in the Sacramento area at CAISO and the CEC, and in San Francisco at the CPUC. Additionally, this role should be capable of participating in industry events throughout the West.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

These job functions, in general terms, describe the type and level of work performed as well as the responsibilities of employees hired for this position. Management reserves the right to add, modify, change, or rescind the work assignments of any position and to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

The Strategic Energy Resource Policy Manager will:

- Lead development of SCP's positions in procurement related topics governed by the California Independent System Operator, California Energy Commission, California Public Utilities Commission, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and transmission provider tariffs.
- Work closely with Procurement, Planning & Analytics and Regulatory staff to ensure SCP's policy position and development supports the strategy of SCP for procurement and procurement planning and is consistent with other SCP positions. Keep SCP staff abreast of important regulatory changes with potential impact to SCP's portfolio and planning.
- Attend stakeholder meetings and convey SCP's position in policy development. Build coalitions with other stakeholders. Develop and write policy development, providing comments, reply comments and other supporting documentation during the stakeholder process.
- Advocate for reforming the FERC and CAISO interconnection and transmission planning processes, working with developers and transmission providers. Support

SCP's projects and interconnection queue position for transmission development. Provide subject matter expertise in SCP's assessment of deliverability risk for prospective resources and supply portfolios.

- Organize and assemble meetings with key policy decision-makers and advocate SCP's procurement and planning positions.
- Provide subject matter expertise in technical studies and long-term planning in the various regulatory and reliability entity procedures and processes.
- Represent SCP in procurement related policy meetings including but not limited to CalCCA policy meetings and tiger teams. Represent SCP on an as-need-basis for CC Power related meetings and provide expertise in development and transmission related issues.
- Lead advocacy that is supportive of SCP's GeoZone initiative, including coordinating with SCP's GeoZone partners and the geothermal trade association Geothermal Rising on policy opportunities.
- Lead development of SCP's procurement policy underlying its Integrated Resource Plan through close coordination with Planning and Analytics and Procurement department.
- Coordinate regularly scheduled cross-department meetings with Chief Executive Officer, Procurement, Planning and Analytics, and Regulatory to align on energy policy and advocacy opportunities.
- Responsible for drafting and supporting regulatory filings related to SCP's procurement and planning activities including the RPS Procurement Plan, Integrated Resource Plan, RPS Compliance Report, and ad hoc data requests and work in coordination with Compliance staff managing the submittal of filings. Note that CPUC filings, activities and advocacy are all managed and approved by SCP's Director of Regulatory Affairs, so a close working relationship with this role is essential.
- Have the ability to understand and adhere to all Personnel Rules and Internal Policies of SCP.
- Perform other duties as needed.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Knowledge and skills:

- Work with key staff and decision makers with regulatory agencies within and outside of California.

- Understand of the operation and processes of an Independent System Operator/Regional Transmission Operator.
- Proficiency in using MS Office suite products, specifically Word, Excel and Outlook, and also Adobe Acrobat.
- Clear understanding of California's Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) model.
- Knowledge of the goals, policies, purposes, and history of SCP.
- Excellent verbal and written communications skills.

Ability to:

- Write in a clear and convincing manner, developing data-based policy positions and compliance narratives.
- Speak in front of groups in public with persuasion and represent SCP's views and position.
- Work effectively with transmission providers and developers. Strong industry relationships strongly preferred.
- Work with complex data, decisions, reports, business practice manuals and tariffs.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

Any combination of experience and training that would likely provide required knowledge and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain knowledge and abilities would be:

Education: Equivalent of a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with major course work in business, economics, engineering science, energy, statistics, or related field(s); AND,

Experience: Ten (10) years of increasingly responsible, relevant energy procurement and policy experience; experience with ISO/RTO issues and renewable project development preferred. Knowledge and personal contacts at CAISO preferred.

PHYSICAL AND WORKING CONDITIONS

The physical and mental demands described here are representative of those that must be met by employees to successfully perform the essential functions of this class.

Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential job functions.

Environment: Normal office environment with exposure to computer screens. Employees will interact with staff and/or public and private representatives in interpreting and enforcing the Authority's policies and procedures. Some travel is required.

Physical: While performing the duties of this class, employees are regularly required to sit, walk, and stand; talk or hear, in person and by telephone; reach with hands and arms. Employees are occasionally required to walk, and stand for prolonged periods; stoop, bend, kneel and twist; and may lift up to 20 pounds. Employees must be able to communicate in person, in writing, and by telephone with Board members, management, coworkers, vendors, consultants, and with the public in face-to-face, one-to-one, and group settings. Position requires the ability to frequently travel to relevant California locations to meet with state agencies and law makers.

Vision: See in the normal visual range with or without correction; vision sufficient to read computer screens and printed documents; and operate assigned equipment.

Hearing: Hear in the normal audio range with or without correction.

Mental: While performing the duties of this class, the employee is regularly required to use written and oral communication skills; read and interpret data, information and documents; analyze and solve problems; observe and interpret situations; learn and apply new information or skills; perform highly detailed work; work on multiple concurrent tasks; work with frequent interruptions; work under intensive deadlines; interact with SCP management, Board, staff, vendors, the public, and others encountered during the course of work.

SCP actively works to provide an inclusive work environment, where people of different ethnicities, national origins, native languages, races, skin colors, sexes, genders, sexual orientations, ages, physical abilities, genetics, politics, religion, financial wealth and education feel welcome, safe and invited to fully participate at every level. SCP further seeks to contribute to a more inclusive and equitable society through our actions, our communication, our policies, and our investments. SCP expects all of its employees to contribute to these goals.

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