

Graduate Research Summer Internship

TOPIC: State and Municipal Review of Regulatory Barriers and Enablers to Wind, Solar, and Battery Energy Development

DATES: Flexible, but approximately June to August 2023.

COMPENSATION: Up to \$7,500, commensurate with work completed

LOCATION: Flexible. Offices of two sponsors are Washington, D.C. and Cambridge, Massachusetts.

The graduate intern will work with American Clean Power (<https://cleanpower.org>) and the Consensus Building Institute (<https://www.cbi.org>) to research several state and federal regulations and regulatory frameworks for addressing siting of renewable energy. The intern may also work in concert with related efforts at the Department of Energy.

The intern is expected to:

- Research existing and pending state policies regarding the siting of renewable energy.
- Research existing and pending local policies regarding the siting of renewable energy in selection locations.
- Investigate and analyze the trade-offs and balance of community participation and decision making at the local level with state-wide needs for energy and meeting renewable energy targets.
- Research siting policy in other areas that might inform policy in renewable energy siting such as affordable housing and groundwater.
- Produce a written report and slide deck at the end of the work.

The graduate intern should meet the following qualifications:

- Enrolled in a current masters or PhD program
- Able to work independently with modest direction
- Strong research, analytic and writing skills
- Interest in energy and climate policy
- Interest in community engagement
- Past experience in policy and regulatory research

Please submit resume and cover letter to Patrick Field, pfield@cbi.org no later than April 10, 2023.