State Policy Strategies: 2015 and Beyond - DWEA Target States

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Minnesota

• Current Legislative Efforts

- Clean Energy & Jobs Campaign
 - <u>Renewable DG System Tax Credit</u>: greater of 20% of installed cost or \$2,000 per System
 - <u>Third-Party Certification</u>: Required certification for eligible small wind turbines
 - <u>Third Party Ownership</u>: Clarifies third-party ownership rules

• Lobbyist: Sarah Erickson, United Strategies

Extensive experience working on tax policy in MN

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- Current Legislative Efforts
 - Expansion of Solar Tax Credit
 - Re-allocate existing, unused credits to small wind
 - Net Metering
 - Expand net metering to non-IOUs (REC's and Muni's)
- Lobbyist: The Capitol Group, led by Jim Obradavich
 - Experience building campaigns from the grassroots level up to the state legislature

New York

- Current Legislative Efforts
 - NY Wind
 - <u>Decreasing MW Block Program</u>: Similar to the solar PV program, authorize up to 200 MW of small wind incentives, effective from 2016 to 2023
 - <u>Unified Wind Permit</u>: implement a standard wind permit, based off of DWEA's model permit, and provide implementation funding to interested localities

• Lobbying Partner: <u>ACE NY, Executive Director Anne Reynolds</u>

• Represents various energy constituencies throughout NYS

Colorado

• Current Legislative Efforts

- SB 252 Implementation
 - Be active in implementation efforts regarding the new co-op RPS standard
- Lobbyist: None (Previous: Kristen Thompson)
 - Should/can a lobbyist be retained pending outcome of election?

California & Hawaii

- Current Opportunities
 - California: Small Generator Incentive Program, Permitting
 - Hawaii: Feed-in Tariff Proceeding, Permitting
- Lobbyists: None
 - Should/can lobbying partners be funded?

Fundraising

• Coalition

 In each state, DWEA would like to build a coalition of 5-10 local companies to show strength in numbers when lobbying for new legislation

• Voice

• By contributing to your local campaign, you will have a unique opportunity to be involved in the legislative drafting process

• Relationships

• As a contributing member, you will have the opportunity to meet critical legislators and regulators in your state, giving your business a long-lasting presence

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