Calling All Utility Attorneys: Webinar Next Week

**Plugged In: A Lawyer's Guide to Public Power**

DEED interns serve many diverse and valuable functions at electric utilities across the nation from linework and electrical engineering, to communications and legal services. One such intern at Missouri River Energy Services, a joint action agency in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, leveraged her time as a DEED intern to create a primer for attorneys entering the public power industry. The publication, *Plugged In: A Lawyer's Guide to Public Power*, provides a first-of-its-kind resource to attorneys representing public power utilities. And it is available today for free on the [DEED Project Database](#). Presenters will review the fundamental legal issues essential to representing municipal electric utilities. Join us on **Thursday, August 16th at 2:00 PM eastern** to learn how you can leverage this publication as a training resource at your utility.

[Register Now](#)

**DEED Webinars**

A chronological listing of DEED webinars is posted for DEED member only access [here](#). All DEED webinars are provided for free to DEED members. To find out if you are a DEED member, [click here](#).

Help us continue to improve DEED - Take Our Survey!

DEED strives to constantly evolve and tailor to the needs of you, our members. The only way we can do this is by receiving and adjusting to feedback from you. Please take advantage of this opportunity to contribute to the continuing improvement of the DEED program by providing your feedback on what works, what doesn't, and what you'd like to see more of.

The survey should take fewer than 8 minutes to complete. Please respond by close of business on **Friday, August 24th, 2018**.

[Take the Survey](#)

**Scholarship Opportunities Available**

Gain funding and support on your energy-related projects through hiring a student intern. If you have a project that is a standard system upgrade/normal maintenance activity/capital improvement project (not particularly unique/innovative), an intern can be an effective way to get help with a project when it is not appropriate for a DEED grant. More information is available on the DEED Scholarships Page.

If you wish to apply for an intern, email us at DEED@publicpower.org to let us know and we will register you in the scholarship portal, which is separate from the grant portal. The deadline to apply for internship funding is October 15th, 2018 at midnight. Applicants will be informed of the board’s decision by mid-December.

**Lineworker Scholarships**

Having trouble recruiting lineworkers and other technical staff? Help us so we can help you. Send DEED your contacts at technical colleges, vocational schools, lineworker schools, and local high schools, and we'll promote public power and DEED scholarship opportunities to their students.

Please send your contact names, school affiliations, titles, and email addresses to DEED@PublicPower.org.

**Looking for more workforce ideas?**

Hear how Silicon Valley Power has been investing in a new generation of utility employees and read a blog from former Austin Energy DEED intern Megan Dawkins titled *How my internship in public power inspires me.*

**Two Grants Completed last month**

Two grants have wrapped up in the past month since our last newsletter. Visit the DEED Project Database for a repository of information on hundreds of outstanding research projects funded by DEED. Search this unparalleled database to learn what other public power utilities like yours have done. Discover how you can replicate the success of research projects and get ideas for projects you can conceive and submit for DEED funding.

G-389 Calibrated Modeling of Energy Savings of New High-Efficient Residential Window Coverings | Silicon Valley Power, CA

Silicon Valley Power (SVP), in collaboration with

Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) modeled the energy saving of residential window shading devices in various climate zones. An examination of cellular shades, using recently developed energy simulation software, calibrated based on recently developed controlled experimental whole house data, offers insights into the energy-saving potential of affordable insulating window attachments. **READ MORE** on the DEED Project Database.

Gainesville Regional Utilities (GRU) partnered with the University of Florida and the Community Weatherization Coalition to evaluate best practices for reducing energy/water use in low income neighborhoods. They tested the impact of community-based social marketing by comparing households that received a conventional audit with others that will receive audits in a neighborhood targeted with the campaign. **READ MORE** on the DEED Project Database.

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**Fall Grant Cycle Closing Soon!**

Have an innovative project idea, but still need some additional funding to get it off the ground? DEED is currently accepting applications for up to $125,000 in grant funding. For credentials to our online application, please email **DEED@PublicPower.org**. Also, for advice on applying, **view an informative webinar hosted by DEED staff**. If you’d like to see examples of DEED-funded projects, view our **Current and Completed Projects Flyer**.

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**Call for Ideas: 2019 Engineering & Operations Technical Conference**

Help us plan the 2019 Engineering & Operations Technical Conference. We invite you to share your ideas on what topics and speakers you’d like to see on the conference program. Please share your ideas with us by **filling out this survey**.

Submissions are due by **Wednesday, August 22**. Thanks for taking the time to share your ideas.
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