



## JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

### Energy Program Director

The Michigan Environmental Council (MEC) seeks a full-time Energy Program Director to lead our organization's efforts to promote widespread deployment of energy efficiency and renewable power through public policy reform. This position utilizes a range of skills and relationships to strengthen Michigan's economic resilience in the face of climate change, fuel price uncertainty, pollution-related health impacts, and other challenges linked to our energy system. This position will be based in MEC's Lansing, Michigan, headquarters.

#### **Responsibilities**

- Collaborate with MEC staff, board members and member groups to develop strategies and implement action plans to achieve our clean energy priorities.
- Partner with MEC allies to lead, expand and diversify existing energy and climate collaborations and build new alliances around emerging issues as appropriate.
- Review, translate and comment on proposed legislation, administrative reforms and proposed permits that impact energy system investments in Michigan.
- Educate state and local legislators, agency officials and administrators, business leaders, and other Michigan decision makers on key energy-related issues facing Michigan.
- Represent MEC and our member organizations on workgroups, councils and committees reviewing and developing recommendations for policy reform related to energy and climate issues.
- Engage with our Midwest allies within the regional RE-AMP network aimed at significantly reducing carbon emissions.
- Support MEC's team of attorneys and expert witnesses to intervene in regulatory cases before the Michigan Public Service Commission.
- Coordinate with our communications director in responding to media inquiries.
- Assist in preparing proposals to charitable foundations that support energy and climate work, and report on work completed under existing grants.
- Work with colleagues responsible for other MEC environmental programs to identify and capitalize on cross-program opportunities.
- Provide content for MEC's quarterly newsletter, website and other publications.
- Attend state, regional and national conferences as appropriate.
- Fulfill office responsibilities shared by our 13-person staff.

#### **Qualifications**

- Bachelor's degree required.
- Public policy development, advocacy and/or implementation preferred.

- Solid grasp of current issues related to energy and climate.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills.
- Experience and aptitude working in diverse coalitions, alliances or other groups.
- Political experience a significant plus.

### **Compensation**

- Salary commensurate with experience.
- Benefits include health and dental insurance, 403b retirement plan, and paid vacation.

### **Application Procedure**

To apply, please send resume, cover letter, three references and a writing sample to:

Chris Kolb  
President  
Michigan Environmental Council  
602 W. Ionia Street  
Lansing, MI 48933.

Applications may be e-mailed to Judy Bearup at [jobs@environmentalcouncil.org](mailto:jobs@environmentalcouncil.org). If you have questions, please use the e-mail above or call Judy Bearup at 517-487-9539.

### **About the Michigan Environmental Council**

MEC is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization and operates as a coalition of approximately 70 public health, faith-based and environmental groups around the state. Created in 1980 to lead Michigan's environmental movement in achieving positive change through the political process, MEC has long been a strong presence in the Michigan Capitol. MEC combines deep environmental policy expertise with close connections to key state and federal decision makers, decades of experience getting things done in the political process, and an ability to rally broad and powerful alliances in support of reforms. With our member groups and partners, MEC promotes public policies to ensure that Michigan families will enjoy clear waters, clean beaches, beautiful landscapes and healthy communities for years to come.

***MEC is an equal opportunity employer.***