

New Jersey Board of Public Utilities



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NOTICE OF VACANCY

This position may be eligible for telework up to two days per week

POSTING NO.: 27-2024

TITLE: Research Scientist 2 **SALARY:** \$82,643.36 – \$117,769.55

WORKWEEK: 35 hours (NL)

EXISTING VACANCIES: One (1) OPENING DATE: April 8, 2024 CLOSING DATE: April 19, 2024 DIVISION/LOCATION: Division of Clean Energy

At the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board" or "BPU"), you will be part of a highly effective and collaborative team working to ensure that safe, adequate, and proper utility services are provided to all members of the public who desire such services.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Under the supervision of the Director of the Division of Clean Energy or other supervisory position, the Research Scientist 2 position will play a key role in supporting the Energy Efficiency (EE) and Building Decarbonization (BD) team by assisting with the design, implementation, and administration of data-driven policies and programs to support the decarbonization of the buildings sector in New Jersey. This will involve working on initiatives that leverage research to inform policy decisions. The RS2 position will also serve as a key liaison between the Board of Public Utilities (BPU) and other State agencies and stakeholders on EE workforce development initiatives that support BPU's EE and BD goals.

WORK RESPONSIBILITIES

- Advance New Jersey's clean energy programs, projects, and goals, with a particular emphasis on clean buildings science and EE and BD programs. Support, learn from, and advance associated teams and projects within the Division of Clean Energy.
- Help develop and implement EE and BD policies and programs for the Division, including by performing the following:
 - Conducting complex policy analysis and research, including data collection, analysis, and modeling;
 - Developing reports comparing programs and proposing improvements to ensure cost-effectiveness and success;
 - Drafting policy documents such as proposals, orders, and memos in support of achieving policy objectives;
 - Briefing decision makers; and
 - Managing consultants, procurements, and grants.

- Collaborate within the agency in all aspects of development and implementation of the Board's clean buildings' policies and programs. Collaborate with partner agencies in the implementation of relevant policies, programs, training, and education.
- Liaise with utilities, external partners, community members, and other interested stakeholders on the development of EE and BD programs, including financial incentives for customers and technical training for workers and professionals in the clean buildings industry. Work with stakeholders and provide effective outreach on EE and BD initiatives, including by assisting in running stakeholder meetings, collecting stakeholder feedback, and reviewing, summarizing, and drafting responses to written and verbal comments.
- Forge strategic partnerships among the BPU and key State agencies such as the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development and the Economic Development Authority to cultivate a diverse, equitable, and inclusive talent pipeline for the EE and BD sectors and ensure workforce development and infrastructure advancements keep pace with New Jersey's growing clean building sector investments and economic opportunities.

REQUIREMENTS

EDUCATION: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Master's degree in a discipline appropriate to the position.

EXPERIENCE: Three (3) years of full-time experience in a field appropriate to the position.

NOTE: A Doctorate in a discipline appropriate to the position may be substituted for two (2) years of experience indicated above.

RESUME NOTE: Eligibility determinations will be based upon information presented in resume and proof of degree submitted. Applicants who possess foreign degrees (degrees earned outside of the U.S.) are required to provide an evaluation indicating the U.S. equivalency.

OPEN TO THE FOLLOWING: Open to New Jersey residents.

RESIDENCY LAW: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14-7 (L. 2011, Chapter 70), also known as the "New Jersey First Act," which became effective September 1, 2011, all persons newly hired by the Executive Branch on or after that date shall have one year from the date of employment to establish, and then maintain principal residence in the State of New Jersey.

WORK AUTHORIZATION: Selected candidates must be authorized to work in the United States according to the Department of Homeland Security, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services Regulations. The State of New Jersey does not provide sponsorships for citizenships or Visas to the United States.

HOW TO APPLY: Interested applicants should submit a letter of interest, resume, writing sample, a copy of the college transcript/diploma indicating the date the degree was conferred, if applicable, the State of New Jersey Employment Application and the Personal Relationships Disclosure Form (<u>Click Here</u> – listed under HR policies). Please make sure to include the posting number in the subject line via email. All documents must be submitted by the closing date shown above to the following:

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