



STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR CLEAN ENERGY CHOICE

We, the undersigned businesses, organizations, and individuals, affirm our belief that the road to a sustainable economy in Wisconsin runs through the state's own clean renewable energy sources. Integrating locally available renewables into our economy engages a vast supply chain of local manufacturers, distributors and installers, farmers, builders, entrepreneurs, and related professional workers. Local renewables secure relatively clean, risk-free and low-maintenance energy to a state with no fossil fuel reserves. Renewables also help keep energy dollars circulating within Wisconsin.

As both utility customers and citizens, we support policies that expand opportunities to access renewable energy where we live or work. There are more than 20 states (such as Illinois, Michigan, California, Colorado, Missouri and New Jersey) that expressly allow third-party ownership of renewable energy systems on a customer's premises. In those states, the renewable energy system need not be owned by the host customer. Instead, host customers can sign a contract with a third party who installs, operates, and owns a renewable energy system on the customer's premises. Those states that allow third-party owned renewable energy systems now have the most active markets in the country for small renewable energy systems.

We believe the Wisconsin renewable energy business community will enjoy substantial and sustained growth if allowed to use the same tools that are available in over 20 states. This is why we strongly endorse the **Clean Energy Choice** initiative, and look forward to supporting legislation that would exempt third party-owned renewable energy systems that sell energy directly to the host customer from the definition of a public utility.

Clean Energy Choice embraces the virtues of customer choice, fiscal responsibility, property rights and social responsibility. It is a policy tool that allows citizens to exercise their preferences for renewable energy at no extra cost to ratepayers and taxpayers. For those reasons, we the undersigned enthusiastically support **Clean Energy Choice** and urge Wisconsin policymakers to adopt this initiative.

To add your business or organization's name to the list of signatories above, contact Michael Vickerman at 608.255.4044x2 or mvickerman@renewwisconsin.org

A list of Clean Energy Choice supporters appears on the reverse side.





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