



Position Announcement

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI), Inc.

Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, Inc. is seeking an Executive Director. The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) is a ten-state cooperative effort to implement a mandatory cap-and-trade program in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic addressing CO₂ emissions from power plants. RGGI is the first mandatory market-based program to reduce carbon emissions in the U.S.

RGGI, Inc. is a new non-profit corporation intended to provide a forum for collective policy deliberation by RGGI Signatory States and to support individual action by the member States in matters related to implementation of the RGGI program. A primary role for RGGI, Inc. will be the provision of technical and administrative support services to the member States in implementing the RGGI program. RGGI, Inc. is projected to have a staff of five and a budget of approximately \$1 million per year. The organization will be located in New York City.

The Executive Director must be an effective manager with the ability to launch the new organization and support the implementation of the RGGI program. Qualified candidates must have demonstrated leadership capabilities, excellent communication and management skills, experience with climate change and energy policy development, knowledge of state regulatory programs, and understanding of financial management in a government and/or not-for-profit setting. The Executive Director must be creative, proactive, and able to manage a diverse set of priorities and initiatives, while remaining responsive to the various needs and perspectives of the member states.

The Executive Director will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the organization at the direction of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors; manage the organization's staff, including all hiring and operational decisions; manage the budget and day-to-day financial matters; and assist the Board in carrying out its duties. The Executive Director also must facilitate the organization's external communications and be responsible for tracking and communicating press, scientific, and policy developments relevant to successful implementation of climate programs.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Ten years of professional experience in the field of environmental science or policy (or other relevant field), with at least five years in a management capacity involving program planning, development, and implementation in a supervisory or team leadership role.

- A graduate degree in environmental policy, science, public administration, law, or another field relevant to the implementation of the RGGI program. A comparable combination of experience and education can be substituted for the above requirements.
- A firm working knowledge of, and experience working on, state and/or federal policy issues relating to climate change and/or energy. Experience in economic market structures and trading platforms desired.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills.

Candidates Must Have the Ability to:

- Work closely with the Board.
- Develop and manage complex projects from start-up to completion, and adopt new approaches in response to rapidly changing circumstances.
- Translate information into action and results, set and meet deadlines and ensure program accountability.
- Develop region-wide networks supporting the implementation of RGGI.
- Prepare and manage budgets and supervise personnel.
- Work with diverse groups, including public officials/staff, non-governmental organizations, the business community, the public and the media.

Compensation:

- Salary and benefits package commensurate with qualifications and consistent with similar organizations.

Interested applicants should submit a cover letter with salary requirements and a resume by August 31, 2007 to:

Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative
Executive Director Search Committee
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101 Merrimac Street, 10th floor
Boston, MA 02114

Materials may also be submitted electronically, in Word or PDF format, to:
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