

RENEWABLE ENERGY SERVICES



LAWYERS WHO KNOW RENEWABLE ENERGY

As a leading provider of legal services to the renewable energy industry, Stoel Rives has been at the forefront of the incredible growth of renewable energy in recent years. We represent many of the major developers of wind energy, biofuels, biomass, ocean and tidal energy, geothermal energy and solar projects throughout the United States and abroad. The lawyers of the firm's Renewable Energy Team have extensive experience in all aspects of renewable energy development.

WIND ENERGY

Wind power is the world's fastest-growing energy source.

In the past decade, U.S. wind power capacity has grown dramatically, now exceeding 20,000 megawatts (MW). Technological improvements, favorable economics, public demand and public policy continue to drive this remarkable growth. Wind is a clean source of power that will help us meet long-term energy needs on a sustainable basis. But good karma alone won't bring major wind projects online. They face many of the same complex legal and strategic issues that other large energy projects do—plus some unique challenges.

That's where Stoel Rives comes in. The Stoel Rives Wind Group has built a strong reputation helping energy providers site, develop, construct, acquire and finance wind projects. Our clients have developed wind projects throughout the United States and Canada. We permitted several of the largest wind energy sites of single ownership in North America—including the Stateline Wind Project and the Wildhorse Wind Project—and by 2009, we had provided legal counsel on various aspects of nearly 25 percent of the installed capacity of U.S. wind power.



SOLAR ENERGY



Clients in the solar industry value our collaborative approach.

Our extensive resources enable us to create interdisciplinary teams of attorneys who seamlessly handle every aspect of a project or transaction. Clients rely on our years of experience, forward-looking advice and up-to-date knowledge about rapidly evolving industry dynamics and participants, business models, regulatory compliance and government incentives.

Stoel Rives' renewable energy practice is among the largest in the United States. Our clients include national and international energy manufacturers, developers and operators. Our representation encompasses all aspects of power project licensing, local permitting, financing, taxation, real estate, equipment procurement, construction, project acquisition and project operations.



Recent years have seen a renewed interest in further developing the United States' vast potential for production of geothermal energy. Still, these facilities face the same complex legal and strategic issues as any other large energy producer, in addition to challenges unique to geothermal energy.

The Stoel Rives Geothermal Energy Group assists clients in securing advantageous land and water rights and navigating the crucial permitting and licensing issues that separate successful projects from failures. Once permits and licenses are in place, we help finance projects and get them built, sell the power generated and work out the day-to-day issues of operation and management.

For more than 20 years, attorneys in the Stoel Rives BioEnergy Group have played a significant role in the siting and financing of ethanol and biodiesel projects. Our work with key players in the industry, our participation in trade associations and the deep resources of our energy practice enable us to efficiently and cost effectively provide the legal services necessary to advance a biofuels production facility from the planning table to production.

The Stoel Rives BioEnergy Group counsels clients in transitioning projects into strategic, privately held or publicly held ownership. We also represent clients who are developing biomass projects, including cellulosic ethanol production and biodiesel feedstock technologies from wood, plant fiber and algae.



Our energy practice focuses on representing renewable energy developers, generators and investors in all aspects of power project licensing, permitting, financing, construction and operations. Stoel Rives' renewable energy practice is among the largest in the country.

Representative Services

- Energy Facility Siting and Permitting
- Project Finance
- Enterprise and Venture Structuring
- Equity Investments
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Power Marketing
- FERC and State Regulatory Proceedings
- Energy Project Due Diligence
- Real Estate and Land Use
- Title Insurance
- Construction and Design
- Operations and Maintenance
- Turbine Procurement
- Transmission and Interconnection
- PPA Negotiations
- Legislation and Rulemaking
- State and Federal Tax Strategy
- International Transactions
- Intellectual Property and Patents
- Codes of Conduct for Affiliated Transactions
- Avian Mortality Disputes
- Transmission Tariff Disputes
- Qualifying Facility Litigation
- Arbitration and Litigation
- General Business Representation (e.g., corporate structure, operations, contracts, labor and employment)
- Leasing and Use of Public Lands
- Renewable Energy Credits, Carbon Credits and Other Incentives



Stoel Rives' Renewable Energy Team is proud to support the following industry associations:

- Algal Biomass Organization
- American Coalition for Ethanol
- American Council on Renewable Energy
- American Wind Energy Association
- Canadian Wind Energy Association
- Geothermal Resources Council
- Geothermal Energy Association
- Interwest Energy Alliance
- National Algae Association
- Northwest and Intermountain Power Producers Coalition
- Northwest Biofuels Association
- Renewable Fuels Association
- Renewable Northwest Project
- Solar Electric Power Association
- Wind on the Wires
- Women of Wind Energy

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