General Counsel

The Organization:

The New England States Committee on Electricity, Inc. (NESCOE) is a non-profit entity governed by a board of managers appointed by the Governors of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) recognizes NESCOE as the Regional State Committee for New England. Its general purpose is to represent the collective perspective of the six New England states in regional electricity matters. Additional information is available at nescoe.com.

Position Overview:

NESCOE seeks an experienced attorney to serve as General Counsel. This position provides legal support and strategic counsel regarding the development and implementation of ISO New England’s (ISO-NE) wholesale electricity markets, transmission planning process, and system operations. The General Counsel is NESCOE’s chief legal representative before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), other federal agencies, regional and national reliability standards development organizations, and the courts.

This position reports to NESCOE’s executive director.

Job Duties and Responsibilities:

- Develop and implement recommendations for participation in (i) FERC proceedings, including utility filings, rulemakings, settlements and hearings, and policy dockets, (ii) other relevant regulatory and administrative proceedings, and (iii) U.S. circuit court cases.
- Conduct and manage legal analysis, draft pleadings and other filings, and coordinate NESCOE’s submission review process.
- Monitor and report on activities affecting NESCOE at FERC and, as relevant and timely, reliability standards organizations, other ISOs/RTOs, and the courts.
- Collaborate with, and supervise, NESCOE’s legal staff.
- Represent NESCOE in connection with the ISO-NE and New England Power Pool regional stakeholder processes and support NESCOE staff engagement in those processes.
- Draft and negotiate contracts with third party consultants and provide counsel and assistance in connection with human resource matters and corporate governance.
- Educate NESCOE and state staff on legal and regulatory issues and emerging developments.
- Provide other legal and general support as needed for the operations and activities of a small organization.
Requirements and Experience:

- Juris doctor degree and member in good standing of a state bar.
- Minimum five years' experience in regulatory practice or energy industry, with preference given for FERC experience; in-house, law firm, or other broad-based legal experience valued.
- Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively.
- Strong written and verbal advocacy skills, especially the ability to write clearly and concisely about complex topics.
- Geographic location: Position is remote with some travel required for attendance at regional meetings. Applicants should be based in New England; Washington D.C. considered.

Interested persons may send a resume and writing sample (maximum ten pages) to: NESCOE c/o Heather Hunt, Executive Director at nescoestaff@gmail.com. Applicants considered until position filled.