

## Stakeholders in Virginia's Energy Economy:

We invite you to the first planning meeting in advance of our Fall 2024 Virginia Clean Economy Act (VCEA) Summit. For the sake of eliciting candid feedback, information, and suggestions about VCEA implementation, I intend to invoke the working papers and correspondence exemption—pursuant to § 2.2-3705.7 (2) of the Code of Virginia—to keep the shared records of these meetings confidential. To ensure this exemption is applicable, I ask that you create new and specific documents for my consideration as a Senator to potentially introduce legislation. Any previously published materials or shared work products you may already have created should be modified for the specific purpose of considering future legislation. Similarly, in the interest of preserving confidentiality, any documents created for my personal or deliberative use as a Senator should not be disseminated or used for other purposes.

During this first stage, we will meet separately with stakeholder groups to hear what they are encountering with regard to implementation of the VCEA and what they think can be done to enhance progress towards our clean energy goals, as well as to begin the process of determining what data we need and what questions need to be answered. We will then be convening smaller planning meetings, with each subgroup appointing two members to share issues and create an agenda for the summit. This will occur in May and June, date and place to be determined. A final summit will be held in the fall with a full agenda of speakers, panel discussion, and data distribution.

The purpose of the summit is to create a comprehensive approach to dealing with issues related to actualizing the VCEA. One of the goals will be to merge this effort with the staff build-out of the Commission on Electric Utility Regulation (CEUR). It is hoped that the CEUR could review the summit findings and create the necessary policy and legislative solutions.

### **Monday, April 15th**

10am - Environmental lobby (Senate Room 3 in the Capitol)

11:30am - Electric Utilities and Cooperatives (House Room 3 in the Capitol)

1pm - Break

2pm - Soil & Water, and Solar and Wind developers (Senate Room 3 in the Capitol)

### **Tuesday, April 16th**

10am - VaCo, VML and Data Centers (Senate Room 3 in the Capitol)

11:30am - Administrative Agencies (House Room 3 in the Capitol)

1pm - Break

2pm - Virginia FREE, Business, Agriculture, and Forestry (Senate Room 3 in the Capitol)

Attached to this email to serve as a common starting point for our discussion is the Virginia Department of Energy's summary of the Virginia Clean Economy Act's provisions. Thank you for your commitment to the goals of the Virginia Clean Economy Act: a strong, dynamic economy and a clean environment. Please call me if you have any questions or concerns.

All the best,  
Senator Dave Marsden  
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