Department of Commerce Team

Washington State maintains a network of foreign offices to provide no-cost international business development assistance and attract foreign investment. Our team of business experts stands at the ready to help you do business in and with Washington State. There’s no doubt about it, Washington State is leading the way in clean technology. Whether you want to locate a new facility or partner with a leading edge Washington company, we are ready to help you expand.

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Washington State: a clean tech powerhouse

With nearly 75% of the state’s power coming from nature, it’s not hard to see why Washington State is one of the leaders in discovering, harnessing and utilizing innovative new energy sources. The state is fortunate to have an integrated network of hydroelectric dams that provide our businesses with low-cost, sustainable and stable energy, as low as 4.25¢ per kilowatt-hour. Washington State clean technology businesses are at the very forefront of creating new energy sources, including biofuels, tidal, wind and solar, employing nearly 90,000 workers, backed by a billion dollars in venture capital. These companies are supported by world-class research institutions that attract top-tier talent, including the prestigious Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, the University of Washington and Washington State University.

To attract investment and innovation, the state offers a range of incentives, including tax reductions for manufacturers of solar energy systems, components or semiconductor materials; sales and tax exemptions for semiconductor gases and chemical purchases; sales and tax credits for equipment that generates electricity using renewable energy; and a tax credit and sales tax exemption for forest-derived biomass harvesters.

Contact our clean technology team today!
If your company is producing next-generation clean energy products and materials or exploring concepts that are still on the drawing boards, come to Washington State. Our culture of innovation offers you dynamic partnerships with other high performing companies in cutting edge fields, a workforce of highly skilled workers, a pro-business environment that embraces companies that want to change the world with new energy sources, and a stunning natural environment that will inspire you to create new solutions that are clean, sustainable and renewable.

To learn more about Washington State’s clean tech sector or to discuss investment or expansion opportunities contact:

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Alstom is a global leader in the world of power generation, power transmission and rail infrastructure and sets the benchmark for innovative and environmentally friendly technologies. Alstom builds the fastest train and the highest capacity automated metro in the world, provides turnkey integrated power plant solutions and associated services for a wide variety of energy sources, including hydro, nuclear, gas, coal and wind, and it offers a wide range of solutions for power transmission, with a focus on smart grids. Alstom employs 93,000 people in around 100 countries. It had sales of over €20 billion and booked close to €24 billion in orders in 2012/13.

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The National Resource Center for Materials Technology Education (MatEd) is funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) Advanced Technological Education (ATE) initiative. MatEd is developing an online collection (www.materialseducation.org) of teaching materials which can easily be integrated into a variety of courses, classroom settings and industry. The MatEd collection is expanding rapidly, providing material science labs, hands-on demonstrations, modules and papers.

MatEd is housed at Edmonds Community College in Lynnwood, Washington in an 11,000 sq foot advanced technology lab which offers the only two-year, materials science focused degree in Washington State. MatEd is also creating a national network by partnering with industry, high schools and higher education institutions, including other NSF ATE funded centers and projects.

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The Washington Clean Technology Alliance is the largest state clean tech trade association in the U.S.A., representing over 240 businesses and organizations. Founded in 2007 by business leaders, the WCTA facilitates the generation and growth of clean tech companies, jobs, and services in order to advance Washington State as a leader in clean technology.

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The agency was formed to grow and improve jobs in Washington State. We can help your business in several ways including:

- **Education and Workforce Training**
  Improve your workers’ performance through one of the state’s training programs

- **Efficient and Effective Regulation**
  Reduce time and costs of meeting regulatory requirements by connecting with the Governor’s office of Regulatory Assistance.

- **Infrastructure Investment**
  This program enables local governments to support businesses by financing infrastructure that supports economic development and business opportunities.

- **Export Financing Assistance**

- **Overseas Trade Delegations**

The agency manages more than 100 programs that are designed to promote and enhance sustainable communities and economic vitality. Key customers include businesses, local governments and community-based organizations. The Department of Commerce works closely with local, state, regional and federal partners and stakeholders to bring economic prosperity to the State of Washington and its citizens.

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For more information on doing business in Washington, please visit [www.choosewashington.com](http://www.choosewashington.com)
WHY WASHINGTON?

Highly Skilled Workforce
Culture of Innovation
Low Cost Energy
Pro-Business
Centralized Export Hub
End-to-End Supply Chain
Quality of Life

Poised on the Pacific Rim and steeped in a rich tradition of international trade, Washington State was built to do business. Our ports serve as a gateway for your products and services, connecting you quickly to markets throughout North America. Our pro-business environment welcomes investment, thrives on partnership and encourages innovation at all levels. We are a culture of entrepreneurs and pioneers, bringing new ideas to market that change the world. We lead the way to the future while embracing and celebrating our past. Come join us in Washington State, the birthplace of business legends.