

PEI Energy Corporation is seeking to hire an experienced Director for the province's new Cleantech Innovation Centre.

The Government of PEI has committed to achieving net zero targets and building PEI's cleantech sector. As part of this commitment, the Province will develop a suite of programs for business development or existing businesses to scale up in clean technology solutions; tax-free development zones that provide opportunities for cleantech businesses to cluster; and a research and development fund for ideas and solutions. The Cleantech Innovation Centre will be part of Cleantech Park based in Georgetown PEI, which shall support the Province's journey to a net zero future.

The Cleantech Innovation Centre will be PEI's future home for cleantech innovation, business, energy and education. The Centre will serve as a destination for students, industry, researchers and government to collaborate, learn and innovate and will also house the Cleantech Academy, a joint initiative of Holland College and the University of Prince Edward Island (UPEI). The space will include graduate pods and incubation space as well as collaborative areas allowing students to connect and learn from industry. Through UPEI and Holland College, the Cleantech Academy will offer a one-year post-graduate Certificate and a one-year Professional Master's in Cleantech Leadership. The first intake of students for the certificate program offered through Holland College is intended for September 2024, while the first intake for the Master's program offered through UPEI is intended for September 2025.

The Director will be employed by PEI Energy Corporation. Reporting to the Management Committee comprised of leaders and partners from provincial government, UPEI, and Holland College, the Director will be responsible for the strategic and operational leadership of the Cleantech Innovation Centre, including the Cleantech Academy. The Director will work closely with key stakeholders on developing and executing the Cleantech Academy's vision and strategy. Focus areas will include strategy, operations, funding, stakeholder engagement, finance and budgeting, and HR. This role will be highly collaborative and will be key to achieving the goal of becoming a state-of-the-art facility. The Director will work closely with UPEI and Holland College who will be responsible for academic learning and delivery of the academic programs within the Cleantech Academy.

The Director will work closely with external consultants on developing and implementing an effective governance model for the Cleantech Academy and long-term operational plan and budget forecast, and will oversee the implementation of the newly developed governance model and evaluate the need for any supporting policies, guidelines and standards. The Director will champion initiatives to support industry engagement, internships, and applied research and will work collaboratively with the Province to ensure alignment of the Academy with provincial priorities. To support the Centre and all of its initiatives, the Director will identify resource requirements, prepare a long-term budget plan and lead and/or support the development of funding proposals for submission to the government and other sources, as applicable, and ensure compliance with contractual funding requirements.

As the ideal candidate, you have at least five years of management experience and have a track record of providing strategic leadership and development and implementation of strategic planning and engagement practices. You have experience working with science and technology-based industries, coupled with experience working within or a strong understanding of the post-secondary environment. You are a relationship builder and are adept at working with industry and building industry partnerships. You have outstanding interpersonal and communication skills, and are a problem solver and strategic thinker. A Graduate degree, MBA or equivalent would be preferred and experience working with start-ups would be considered an asset.

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Director, Cleantech Innovation Centre

The salary range for this role is \$130,000 - \$150,000, depending on experience.

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