

Your partner in
a changing world



ENERGY LAW SERVICES

Explore new possibilities.

“Genius is one percent inspiration and ninety-nine percent perspiration.” -Thomas A. Edison

You're in the energy business. You face a time of change, of risk – and of great opportunity. New technologies are unlocking new energy possibilities, even as policy and business leaders grapple with a surge in global energy demand, energy security and climate change issues. Success will come only as a result of hard work and a dedication to doing things right – for your clients, your customers, your workforce and your ownership.



Find a partner.

Ask any oil rig roughneck, wind turbine crane operator or biofuels technician about what it takes to do a good job, and the answer will be the same: trust and teamwork. The same concept applies to your relationship with legal counsel, your partner in achieving your business objectives. You will find such a partner in Stoel Rives.

Trusted, Knowledgeable

Consistently ranked by our clients as one of the nation's top energy law firms in leading independent legal research publications like *Chambers USA* and *U.S. News-Best Lawyers*®, Stoel Rives offers you turnkey legal

support for any traditional or emerging energy project. In North America and locations across the globe, our lawyers

have partnered with energy developers, owners, lenders and operators to manage all aspects of their projects' lifecycle.

Our energy sector experience includes:

- Power Generation
- Oil & Gas
- Solar
- Wind
- Liquefied Natural Gas
- Bioenergy
- Geothermal
- Ocean/Hydropower
- Smart Grid
- Cleantech
- Carbon Capture and Sequestration
- Transmission/Pipelines
- Demand Response
- Energy Efficiency
- Distributed Generation

Move forward.

Exploring, developing, financing, operating, maintaining and buying or selling an energy project is a complex



undertaking, with a host of financial, contractual, regulatory, environmental and related challenges. Stoel Rives offers informed and sophisticated legal counsel for such issues, including:

Siting, Licensing, Permitting and Related Litigation

Advise, obtain and defend in court all necessary permits and approvals from federal, state and local government agencies, including air and water quality requirements, land use permits, water rights, energy facility siting and public right-of-way, Endangered Species Act, National Historic Preservation Act, National Environmental Policy Act compliance and other relevant federal, state and local laws.

Project Finance and Energy M&A

Advise, structure and negotiate mergers and acquisitions, project investment

and funding, including entity or asset deals, cash and tax equity financing, lease finance, bridge construction and term lending, procurement financing and other financing structures.

Real Estate

Advise and negotiate the acquisition of real property for energy exploration, transmission and generation projects, including the drafting of purchase

agreements, leases, title opinions, options, right-of-way agreements, co-tenancy agreements and other real estate documents.

Construction and Design, Operations and Maintenance

Negotiate engineering procurement and construction agreements (EPC) and operations and maintenance agreements (O&M); litigate and arbitrate construction and O&M disputes; advise on liens, bonding and insurance.

Power Purchase Agreements

Advise and negotiate renewable and conventional energy power purchase agreements (PPAs), along with transmission and interconnection agreements, on behalf of independent power producers, electric utilities and large industrial users. Also advise in

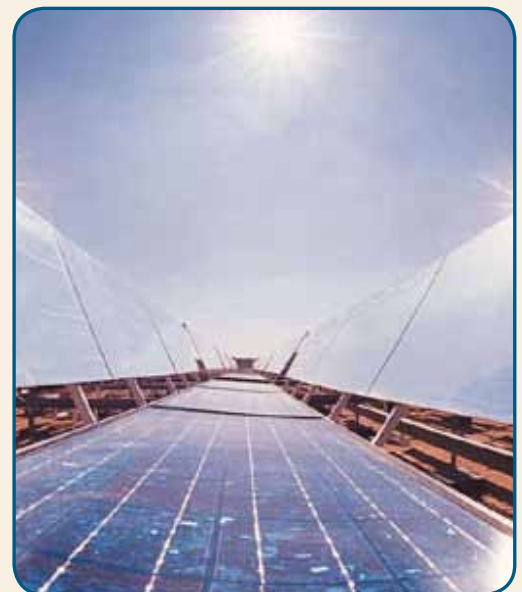
the amendment of existing PPAs to accommodate phased construction and financing or any other change of condition necessitating a renegotiation.

Commercial and Operating Agreements

Negotiate and draft commercial contracts related to operations on behalf of both owners and operators. These include leases, joint ventures, and other service and supply agreements.

Fuel Supply/Offtake Agreements

Advise and negotiate the fuel supply contracts required for plant operations and production, including natural gas and biomass feedstock such as wood chips, corn supply and soy products.



Also negotiate and draft offtake agreements on behalf of fuel producers, including, where applicable, the registration, compliance and sale of renewable energy credits (RECs) and renewable identification numbers (RINs).

About Stoel Rives

Stoel Rives LLP is a U.S. business law firm with nearly 400 lawyers. Established in 1907, the firm operates 12 offices in seven states and the District of Columbia.

Recognition

Stoel Rives has received a prestigious National First-Tier ranking for Energy Law in every edition of the annual *U.S. News-Best Lawyers*® “Best Law Firms” survey.

Stoel Rives has been recognized as one of the nation’s best law firms for Renewables & Alternative Energy by independent researcher *Chambers and Partners* for four consecutive years.



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