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NC Sustainable Energy Association Board Announces Organization's Next Executive Director

After Thorough External Search, Current Interim Executive Director Matt Abele to Become Next Executive Director

RALEIGH, N.C. – Today, the NC Sustainable Energy Association's (NCSEA) Board of Directors announced that Matt Abele will be named the next Executive Director of the policy and regulatory clean energy non-profit. Abele is currently serving as NCSEA's Interim Executive Director and will step into the permanent Executive Director role beginning January 1.

As Executive Director, Abele will work in coordination with staff and the Board of Directors to set the long-term vision for NCSEA, while establishing near-term strategic priorities rooted in the organization's core strengths of policy and regulatory leadership. Abele will take the helm as NCSEA rounds out its 45th year of shaping and growing the clean energy policy landscape in North Carolina. This transition takes place at a pivotal time in the state's clean energy trajectory, given the significance of the current proceedings to establish plans to meet our carbon emissions reduction mandates, unprecedented challenges to rooftop solar and on-site customer generation, and the unparalleled momentum in clean energy investment in North Carolina.

"It is a distinct privilege to be able to lead this organization at a time when we'll help to chart the path forward for the next stage of clean energy growth in the state of North Carolina," said Abele. "For 45 years, NCSEA has been a leading voice in shaping the policies that transform the landscape of our energy ecosystem. Now, it's more critical than ever that we work with all of our members, partners, and supporters to develop the policies necessary to drive down ratepayer costs, increase customer choice, and meet our state's emissions reduction mandates."

NCSEA's Board of Directors, in coordination with staff, conducted a full external search to identify the next individual to lead the organization as Executive Director.

"I have had the pleasure of working closely with Matt over a number of years while I have been a member of the NCSEA Board of Directors, and have great confidence that the organization will continue to thrive under his leadership well into the future" said Vanessa King, current Board Chair for NCSEA

"With the continued growth of the renewable energy industry in North Carolina and nationally, Matt's commitment and experience will ensure NCSEA's ongoing history of impacting energy policy in North Carolina," said Riza Jenkins, incoming Board Chair for NCSEA.



For additional details on the executive transition and Abele's background with NCSEA and in the clean energy sector at large, read the previous announcement found here: <https://bit.ly/3t3SWKq>

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About North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association

NC Sustainable Energy Association (NCSEA) is the leading 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that drives public policy and market development for clean energy. Our work enables clean energy jobs, economic opportunities, and affordable energy options for North Carolinians. Learn more about NCSEA, our mission, and vision at www.energync.org.