

Clean Energy Jobs Act

The citizens of Northwest Wisconsin request:

- **That the Office of Energy Independence and the Public Service Commission change the Clean Energy Jobs Act Methodology.**

The Clean Energy Jobs Act, State Senate Bill 450 and State Assembly Bill 649, has been introduced in the legislature. Among other things, it requires investor-owned utilities in Wisconsin to increase the portion of their energy sales that comes from renewables such that the state achieves 25% renewables by 2025. The proposal requires every utility to increase their renewables by 21% from a statewide average base of 4% in order to achieve the 25% goal. This penalizes utilities that already produce a high portion of their energy from renewable.

Northwestern Wisconsin Electric serves Burnett and Polk Counties and currently has an energy portfolio that includes 14.4% renewables and will have to increase the renewable portion to almost 34% by 2025.

Our sister company, North Central Power serves Sawyer and Rusk Counties and currently has an energy portfolio that includes 33.1% renewables and will have to increase the renewable portion to over 54% by 2025.

Northwestern and North Central already have high rates and, in fact, North Central has the second highest rates in the state of Wisconsin.

We propose consideration for changing the methodology for achieving 25% by requiring each utility to get to that goal individually, or at least consider capping the requirement for utilities that are already there.

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