



Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations

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Introduction to the Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations

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Background

- The International Energy Agency says we need global public investments of at least \$90 billion this decade for large-scale clean energy demonstration projects to achieve net zero emissions by 2050
- Two historical climate laws enacted in FY 2022—the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and Inflation Reduction Act—appropriated more than \$25 billion to the Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations (OCED) to deliver large-scale clean energy demonstration projects
- OCED will accelerate clean energy technologies from the lab to market and fill a critical innovation gap on the path to achieving our nation's climate goals while mitigating risks that allow private sector investors and developers to act



OCED Mission

"Deliver clean energy technology demonstration projects at scale in partnership with the private sector to accelerate deployment, market adoption, and the equitable transition to a decarbonized energy system."



OCED Mandate





Role Across Research, Development, Demonstration & Deployment (RDD&D) Continuum



OCED Scope

- Long Duration Energy Storage Initiative (\$505 million)
- Energy Improvement in Rural or Remote Areas (\$1 billion)
- Clean Energy Demonstrations on Mine Land (\$500 million)
- Advanced Reactor Demonstrations (\$2.5 billion)
- Regional Clean Hydrogen Hubs (\$7 billion)
- Carbon Management (\$3.5 billion)
- Industrial Emissions Demonstrations (\$500 million)
- Upgrading Grid Demonstrations (\$5 billion)



Long Duration Energy Storage Initiative

1) Build energy storage projects to improve grid security, reliability and facilitate clean energy on the grid and 2) Construct long-duration energy storage technologies at different scales for commercial viability with Joint DOD Program for long-duration demos on government facilities

- Supply energy at peak periods of demand on the electric grid and improve energy efficiency
- Reduce peak loads of homes and businesses
- Provide ancillary services for grid stability
- Integrate renewable energy resources
- Increase the feasibility of microgrids
- Integrate fast charging of electric vehicles

Current Status

- Issued RFI that closed in June 2022
- Webinar held in June 2022; listening sessions held in July/August 2022





Energy Improvement in Rural or Remote Areas (ERA)

Improve resilience, safety, reliability, and availability of energy in rural or remote areas and increase environmental protection from adverse impacts of energy use, in coordination with Department of Interior

 Rural or remote areas are defined as cities, towns, or unincorporated areas with fewer than 10,000 inhabitants

Current Status

- Conducting stakeholder outreach
- Planning Request for Information & workshops in Fall
- Funding announcement planned for 2023
- Announced Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Centers (EJ TCTACs) with EPA





Clean Energy Demonstrations on Mine Land

Carry out up to 5 clean energy projects on current and former mine land to show technical and economic feasibility

- Eligible technologies: solar (at least two projects); micro-grids; geothermal; direct air capture; fossil generation with CCUS; energy storage; advanced nuclear
- Focus on economic development and environmental justice

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Thank You!

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