

Title: Bermuda On-Island Project Coordinator (Independent Consultant)

Duration: 7 months (option to extend)

Location: Bermuda

<u>Background:</u> Island nations are in a unique position to reduce their dependence on imported fossil fuels and benefit from the positive environmental, social, and economic impacts of using sustainable energy sources. They can combine their abundant renewable resources with economically viable technologies to become more independent and resilient.

By accelerating the transition of islands to include more renewable energy generation and energy efficiency, island governments, utilities, and other stakeholders can:

- Reduce the dependence on imported fossil fuels and greenhouse gas emissions
- Stabilize the cost of electricity for households and businesses
- Increase investment opportunities and investment returns on-island
- Increase resiliency of the grid and defer maintenance on existing utility assets
- Enhance and diversify the local job market

In the process, islands will demonstrate that entire economies can transition to low- carbon solutions while improving their long-term outlook.

RMI's Islands Energy Program helps to scale renewable projects and supports the capacity of islands to achieve their sustainable energy goals by delivering technical expertise, engaging with governments, utilities, and island stakeholders, and providing communications support. The Islands Energy Program brings a diverse mix of skills and experience in integrated resource planning, project identification and development, construction implementation support as well as a range of business advisory services. The Islands Energy Program also leverages an array of consulting services from leading engineering and consulting firms, as well as legal and financial advisory firms in the power generation and transportation sectors.

In Bermuda, RMI is being funded to assist the Government of Bermuda to accelerate the country's clean energy and transportation electrification transition towards the achievement of the Government of Bermuda's climate goals.

<u>Overview:</u> The Bermuda On-island Project Coordinator (hereon referred to as the Consultant) will provide a key role in the coordination of activities to secure locations and select facilities for and execution of rooftop solar PV, while also coordinating government EV fleet and national EV strategy activities.

The Consultant will support timely and effective implementation of deliverables which support the advancement of solar PV and an island-wide cross-sector EV pilot, which will be developed, de-risked, and designed by RMI's Islands Energy Program.



<u>Responsibilities:</u> The Consultant will be responsible for assisting the Islands Energy Program with facility / site selection / securitization for solar PV, coordinating the procurement of electric vehicles in the government fleet, and supporting RMI's work in developing.

More specifically, the Consultant will be responsible for the following:

Project Management:

- Compile a Project Implementation Plan for both aggregated solar PV and government fleet electrification procurements;
- Provide procurement support and oversight of the Project's de-risking activities including but not limited to: site assessment and securitization, solar production analysis, geotechnical analysis, rooftop structural analysis, interconnection analysis, environmental impact, civil engineering & site planning, permitting;
- Coordinate between Govt of Bermuda and the Islands Energy Program to ensure delivery of project milestones;
- Support procurement processes including support for compilation of RFPs, technical specifications, and bid evaluation support;
- Identify project risks that would impact the delivery of the implementation plans, and identifying measures to mitigate those risks; and
- Coordinate the Islands Energy Program visits to Bermuda and arrange meetings with government representatives, community groups, and other project stakeholders. Stakeholder Engagement and Communications:
- Engage with property owners and/or Govt property /facility managers for potential sites for solar PV and battery storage, and fleet manager / operators of Govt vehicles;
- Prepare operational material as required, including internal reporting and external presentations to stakeholder groups;
- Maintain on-going engagement and consultation to ensure all relevant stakeholders both local and external – remain well informed; and
- Support local stakeholder convenings and events, managing logistics and outreach as required.

<u>Travel:</u> The Consultant should be based in Bermuda as they will act as the local representative of the Islands Energy Program. Approved travel expenses shall be reimbursed in accordance with RMI travel policies.

Period of Performance: This role is intended to be for the duration of March 1, 2021 to September

Minimum Qualifications for Prospective Candidates:

- Bachelor's degree in electrical engineering, environmental/natural resource management, sustainability, renewable energy, public administration, or similar field;
- Excellent communication skills, including high proficiency of written and spoken English;
- Drive and ability to work independently and manage own time and schedule to push projects and initiatives forward;



- Strong team player with a positive collaborative approach, seamless ability to work remotely with colleagues based both within and outside of Bermuda;
- Ability to troubleshoot problems, while also identifying issues which need to be escalated to the Islands Energy Program Leadership Team;
- Knowledge and experience of energy and/or development planning; and
- Working knowledge of renewable technologies and their deployment capabilities.

Preferred Qualifications:

- At least 4 years of professional experience in project management or public/private energy sector or related field:
- Demonstrated experience with development and deployment of clean energy technologies, including but not limited to solar, wind, energy storage, electric vehicles, or microgrids;
- Extensive experience in working with electric utilities and governments of the Caribbean (in particular with the Govt of Bermuda), and multilateral and bilateral development agencies;
- Strong advocacy and negotiation skills, with the ability to demonstrate tact and diplomacy;
- Ability to work in a complex environment; and
- Excellent analytical and organizational skills.

Applications should be submitted to sbackstrom@rmi.org on or before February 26, 2021 at Noon AST. Please provide a cover letter, current resume (CV), proposed daily rate, and any other supporting material.