SEIA Kilowatt Membership

SEIA members at our premium levels have access to high-level resources, networking opportunities, event discounts, policy-setting, and more. Below is a brief breakdown of the Kilowatt Membership.

Your company will receive the following benefits as a Kilowatt Member:

Kilowatt membership provides companies with all watt-level membership benefits, plus access and participation in several special committees including: Tax & Finance, Public Relations and Siting & Permitting. As a kilowatt member, you are making an important contribution to critical lobbying and communications efforts that drive the solar industry forward.

Participation in 1 of 6 Divisions:

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Invitation to SEIA Member Lobby Days

Ability to Run and Vote for SEIA Division Chairs and Director Positions on SEIA Board

Access To:

- SEIA Logo & Member Directory Listing
- SEIA Sphere & Website Resources
- SEIA Solar Tax Manual
- Solar Array Newsletter
- Members-only Webinars & Presentations
- Solar Advocacy Toolkits
- Kilowatt-level Working Groups
- Major Solar Projects List & SEIA Research
- Premium Members-only Webinars and events
- Premium-level Affinity Programs

Discounts For:

- RE+ & Regional RE+ Events
- Exhibiting at RE+ & Regional RE+ Events
- SEIA Events & Workshops
- U.S. Solar Market Insight Report Subscriptions
- EverBlue Job Training & SEIA Job Board Postings

Questions? Contact the SEIA Membership Team at 202-682-0556
Kilowatt Level Access to SEIA Working Groups

COMMUNITY SOLAR COMMITTEE (MONTHLY): The Community Solar Committee leads the development of SEIA’s policy positions on community solar issues in coordination with SEIA’s State Policy Committee, with a focus on addressing barriers to community solar implementation. The committee will also coordinate with partners in the community solar advocacy space to develop shared objectives and goals.

ECOSYSTEMS SERVICES WORKING GROUP (EVERY 3 WEEKS): Focused on best practices for utility-scale solar and storage developers to navigate the rules and regulations necessary for preserving local ecosystems. This includes existing and proposed solar+storage projects. This group will track the development of new policies which will enable the US to decarbonize our energy production while preserving our invaluable Natural Capital.

ENERGY STORAGE COMMITTEE (MONTHLY): The Energy Storage Committee is tasked with developing SEIA’s policy positions on solar + storage, including state and federal regulatory issues, market access, and tax policy. The committee will work in coordination with SEIA’s State and Federal Policy Committees and serve as SEIA’s policy incubator for these issues.

EPA COMMITTEE (AD HOC): Works on policies and regulations issued by EPA that impact solar companies, including the Affordable Clean Energy rule and its predecessor the Clean Power Plan. Engages at the agency level and in courts to advocate for clean energy policies that drive solar markets by leveraging solar as a tool to reduce carbon emissions.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE (BI-WEEKLY): Coordinates industry messaging, spokespersons, press outreach and rapid response to promote the benefits of solar energy and represents all solar technologies and market segments. Opportunities to submit photos and videos including your watermarked logo to be used in SEIA materials.

SITING & PERMITTING COMMITTEE (MONTHLY): Provides technical expertise regarding the siting and permitting of solar power plants to government entities such as the U.S. Bureau of Land Management, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other stakeholders involved in permitting conversations.

TAX & ACCOUNTING COMMITTEE (BI-WEEKLY): Discusses pressing tax issues on Capitol Hill and in the Administration. The group is comprised of leading tax attorneys and consultants in the country as well as our member companies’ tax experts.

TRADE WORKING GROUP (BI-WEEKLY): Provide real-time information on trade issues, including, e.g., tariff updates, classification and country of origin decisions, and trade policy developments. The TWG will also serve as SEIA’s principal forum for developing trade policy recommendations, including recommendations on strategy. In 2019, this focus will be on the Section 201 mid-term review and engagement on U.S.-China issues.

CERTIFICATION PROGRAM WORKING GROUP (MONTHLY): This program encourages energy companies to improve diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice (DEIJ) within their company and broader community. The program uses SEIA’s Diversity Best Practices Guide and other evidence-based materials to support companies on their DEIJ journey. Companies can apply for the certification program and achieve levels of success based on the proof of progress/actionable steps they provide.

CODES & STANDARDS WORKING GROUP (BI-WEEKLY): This group focuses on development and revision of Building Codes and Product Standards, as well as fire safety, to ensure the continued expansion of solar-friendly technical market requirements. It proactively engages with streamlining testing and certification requirements and the advancement of respected industry wide objectives for increased market credibility and growth.

CYBERSECURITY WORKING GROUP (BI-WEEKLY): The Cybersecurity Working Group was created as part of SEIA’s Solar+Decade that will see solar expand to 20% of grid penetration. With this amount of new solar on the grid, SEIA’s goal is equip our companies to be the most secure fuel source on the grid and for cybersecurity to become an integral focus for the solar industry. This working group will be the home to our advocacy, tracking, and education of cybersecurity at FERC, NERC, DOE, and other initiatives as seen from the latest executive order.

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DG PERMITTING REFORM WORKING GROUP (MONTHLY): The DG Permitting Working Group coordinates industry efforts to improve the process of permitting, inspection, and interconnection for customer-sited PV. Working group members engage with external stakeholders including code officials, policymakers, and other advocacy organizations to dramatically reduce the cost of deploying distributed PV systems.

INTERCONNECTION WORKING GROUP (MONTHLY): The Interconnection Working Group is focused on reforming interconnection rules within wholesale markets and vertically integrated regions. We will focus on the systemic problems related to interconnection and develop long-term solutions.

MENTORSHIP WORKING GROUP (MONTHLY): Working alongside our member companies, SEIA diversifying the leadership in our organization and the industry at large. Our working group is also discussing opportunities to collaborate with groups like Renewables Forward, WRISE, and other recognized industry groups that provide mentorship and sponsorship opportunities.

MOUNTING SYSTEMS MANUFACTURING WORKING GROUP (MONTHLY): The working group represents all PV mounting and racking segments covering system installation locations and applications including residential, commercial and utility scale projects on steep slope, low slope (flat roof) and fixed and tracking ground mount systems; working closely with SEIA’s Codes & Standards Working Group. *Open to only members of mounting and/or racking companies.

OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE WORKING GROUP (MONTHLY): Solar system and plant owners, operators and service providers want to optimize for plant performance, customer satisfaction, profit and long-term performance sustainability. As a critical segment in the solar value chain, the newly formed Operations & Maintenance Working Group will work on issues unique and critical to service providers and organizations involved in this activity.

POLICY PLATFORM WORKING GROUP (MONTHLY): In coordination with environmental justice advocates and other allies, SEIA is developing a new set of policy principles to incorporate into the industry's policy advocacy at the state and federal level.

PURPA WORKING GROUP (WEEKLY): This group is dedicated working on PURPA (Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act) issues at the state and federal levels.

PV RECYCLING WORKING GROUP (WEEKLY): The group examines PV Recycling structures and financing, creates PV Recycling messaging and communications, establishes the SEIA national PV recycling program and helps to formulate responses to any PV Recycling regulations.

SOLAR QUALITY ASSURANCE WORKING GROUP (MONTHLY): The Solar Quality Assurance Working Group seeks to evaluate, develop and encourage adoption of industry best practices in solar asset design, production estimate, installation, commissioning and O&M, and contractor qualification. The group’s activities are intended to facilitate high-quality solar installations that induce consumer and investor confidence across the industry.

STORAGE ADVOCACY NETWORK (MONTHLY): The Storage Advocacy Network is a formal branch of SEIA and serve as a national and state advocacy voice for energy storage. Through collaboration with various SEIA committees, the Storage Advocacy Network will shape the organization’s lobbying and public affairs advocacy on energy storage.

SUPPLIER DIVERSITY WORKING GROUP (MONTHLY): Our database is a resource for companies examining their supplier networks for ways to increase diversity in our industry or support diverse-owned businesses. This is a great way for companies large and small to contribute to diversity efforts, as you do not need to be hiring/recruiting to examine your supplier network. The database offers filters and search features so companies can identify suppliers based on various criteria.

TRANSMISSION WORKING GROUP (AD HOC): The Transmission Working Group is focused on the technical matters that impact the bulk power electric system. This group is perfect for members who are interested in transmission planning at NERC and wholesale markets, NERC standards drafting matters related to operations and planning, large-scale transmission improvements that need to be made across wholesale markets and vertically integrated states, Interconnection Reform, and other technical matters.

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