HIRING ANNOUNCEMENT FOR DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, LOAN PROGRAMS OFFICE ATTORNEY ADVISOR, 0905-GS 14/15

Overview

The U.S. Department of Energy’s Loan programs office (LPO) provides debt financing for large-scale, innovative energy infrastructure and advance technology manufacturing projects in the United States and for the Tribal Energy Finance Program.

As an Attorney Advisor you will administer the following programs with more than $100 billion available loans and loan guarantees in the following areas:

- Tribal Energy Financing Program: Loan Guarantees for Tribal Energy Projects - LPO supports tribal investment in energy-related projects by providing direct loans or partial loan guarantees to federally recognized tribe, including Alaska Native village or regional or village corporations; or a Tribal Energy Development Organization (TEDO) that is wholly or substantially owned by a federally recognized Indian tribe or Alaska Native Corporation.
- ATVM Loan Program: Direct Loans for Manufacturing of Advanced Technology Vehicles and Qualifying Components
The attorney in this position will have primary responsibility for providing legal support to the Tribal Energy Finance Program. The attorney will support LPO in all rulemaking, program design, tribal consultation, eligibility determinations, and other tribal law matters related to the Tribal Energy Finance Program, as well as support the office in connection with Tribal Energy Finance Program loan guarantee applications and transactions. They attorney will also support the other loan programs administered by LPO as appropriate.

This is a developmental position with promotion potential to General Attorney, GS-0905-15. At starting grade GS-14, the selectee will execute developmental assignments, and initial supervision and guidance will be greater than that required at the full performance level of GS-15. Assignment will become more challenging and performed with greater autonomy as selectee performance level progresses. At the full performance level of this position (GS-15) duties include:

- Administer Loan Programs
- Manage the drafting, negotiation, closing, and administration of loan documents for loans made and loan guarantees issued.
- Provide analyses, advice, guidance, and assistance on issues and questions of exceptional difficulty that have crucial influence on the LPO Programs.
- Provide interpretations, legal advice, determinations and opinions on a wide range of extraordinary, novel, controversial and complex and questions.

Experience in Indian law, tribal finance, and Federal secured lending programs is preferred but experience in all three is not a prerequisite. The job location is Washington, D.C. (preferred hybrid role but fully remote applicants will be considered).
Conditions of Employment

• This position is included in a Bargaining Agreement

• Must be a U.S. Citizen or National.

• This employer participates in thee-Verify program.

• Males born after 12/31/1959 must be registered for Selective Service.

• Subject to satisfactory security and suitability requirements.

• May be required to successfully complete a probationary period.

• Occasional travel required.

• Required to submit a Financial Disclosure Statement, OGE-450, Executive Branch Personnel Confidential Financial Disclosure Report upon entering the position and annually (SCFR Part 2634, Subpart I USOGE, 6/08).

• Proof of current active member in good standing in the bar of a State, District of Columbia, territory of the United States, or Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Employees must maintain active bar membership while employed as an attorney with DOE.
Qualifications

Qualification Requirements: A qualified candidate's online application and resume must demonstrate the following:

GS-14:
- Must be a graduate of a law school accredited by the American Bar Association with a Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree or a Bachelor of Law (LL.B.) degree. (Transcripts Must be provided with your application package.) and
- Must have membership in good standing in the bar of a State, District of Columbia, or Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (Must submit proof of bar membership in good standing); and
- Must have three years of professional (attorney) legal experience and advanced educational attainments that clearly indicate the ability to independently perform complex legal work; and One additional year of professional (attorney) experience at a level of difficulty and responsibility equivalent to that of an attorney at the grade immediately below the one being filled.

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1) Must be a graduate of a law school accredited by the American Bar Association with a Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree or a Bachelor of Law