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### **Top Skills**

Renewable Energy Energy Efficiency Microsoft Office

Honors-Awards Scholarship Recipient

# Maria Robinson

Director of the U.S. DOE Grid Deployment Office Framingham, Massachusetts, United States

# Summary

Clean energy expert with a decade of experience in state and federal legislative and regulatory policy, including work with over half of the country's state DEPs and PUCs. Currently the first Korean-American elected to the Massachusetts General Court, co-chair of the Massachusetts Clean Energy Caucus, board member of the National Caucus of Environmental Legislators, nominating committee of the National Foundation of Women Legislators, only elected member of the U.S. EPA Clean Air Act Advisory Committee.

Specialties: Renewable energy, energy efficiency, state legislative policy, state and federal regulatory affairs, FERC, convening, state government energy procurement support.

Currently running for State Representative in the 6th Middlesex District of Massachusetts. www.VoteMariaRobinson.com

# Experience

DOE Grid Deployment Office Director, Grid Deployment Office July 2022 - Present (1 year 2 months) Washington, District of Columbia, United States

Biden-Harris Administration Appointee to lead development of the brand-new Grid Deployment Office under the Undersecretary of Infrastructure in the U.S. Department of Energy. All things transmission, distribution, and grid-related.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts State Representative January 2019 - July 2022 (3 years 7 months) Framingham, MA

-Elected official serving 40,000 residents of Framingham, MA.

-Massachusetts state lead for the National Caucus of Environmental

Legislators

-House Chair of the Clean Energy Caucus

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-Member, Nominating Committee of National Foundation for Women Legislators -State Co-Chair of the Pete for American campaign

American Bar Association Associate Member Massachusetts Democratic State Committee, Elected Member Framingham Democratic Committee, Elected Member

Tufts University Part-Time Lecturer June 2020 - January 2022 (1 year 8 months) Medford, Massachusetts, United States

Teaching Energy Policy and the Transformation to Net-Zero for Urban and Environmental Policy and Planning Dept.

Advanced Energy Economy Director, Wholesale Markets Program January 2012 - January 2019 (7 years 1 month) Boston, MA

Most recently led AEE's FERC and RTO engagement to level the playing field in competitive markets so all technologies have the opportunity to compete. Worked directly with state, regional, and federal agencies to reduce policy barriers for advanced clean energy technologies.

#### Previously:

Associate Director, Energy Policy and Analysis

I led AEE's state educational and advocacy campaign within our larger energy and environmental campaign work, with focus on state Clean Power Plan compliance plan development. I led a 27-state campaign, working with state energy and environmental offices, state legislatures, and state public utility commissions across the country. In addition, I provided technical analysis and led modeling, comment writing, and report writing for this effort across the organization.

Navigant 2 years 7 months

Senior Consultant March 2011 - January 2012 (11 months) Burlington, MA Renewable Energy consulting, focusing on solar, wind, and geothermal energy technologies and markets. Led market research on the U.S. wind industry for annual BTM World Market Update and Supply Chain reports.

#### Consultant

July 2009 - March 2011 (1 year 9 months) Burlington, MA

Performed feasibility analyses for rooftop and ground-mount PV solar at wastewater treatment facilities across the state of Massachusetts. Wrote RFPs and led analysis of proposal submissions on behalf of the MA Dept of Energy Resources for large-scale and rooftop solar projects and enterprise efficiency management services projects (valued at over \$10M).

## Metro Stage Company Music Director June 2009 - September 2011 (2 years 4 months) Cambridge, MA

#### Working--Stage Manager

Sweeney Todd, 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee, A Little Night Music, Heart and Music fundraiser, Victor/Victoria--Music Director Bat Boy: The Musical--Producer

## US EPA

Intern June 2008 - August 2008 (3 months) Washington, DC

Aided in the development of the Check-Up Program for Small Systems (CUPSS) to analyze water assets in rural areas. Assisted in marketing and QA of the program.

Simultaneously coordinated the MIT-University of Virginia Summer Internship program, including identifying and scheduling talks with high-level speakers.

U.S. House of Representatives Policy Intern June 2007 - September 2007 (4 months) Washington, DC

Provided direct research and analytic support to the lead Energy staffer to then-U.S. Representative Jay Inslee (now Governor of Washington).

# Education

Massachusetts Institute of Technology B.S., Chemical Engineering; Science, Technology, and Society

University of Tulsa Master's degree, Energy, Environment, and Natural Resources Law · (2016)

Bishop Hoban High School