

My time as an intern with Sustainable Energy Advantage (SEA) was engaging, challenging, and extremely rewarding. As an intern, I primarily worked on SEA's Eyes and Ears team where I tracked and reported on regulatory and legislative developments in New Hampshire and Connecticut. The experience gave me a solid grounding in the basics of renewable energy markets and policy while challenging me to dive deeper into the finer points of the proceedings I tracked. Tracking the formulation and implementation of regulation also gave me insight into the regulatory process.

In addition to my work on the Eyes and Ears team, I was involved with the MA Solar Market Study (SMS) team's modeling of the MA solar market as well as other client specific tasks like assisting with the development of the Rhode Island Renewable Energy Growth Program's ceiling prices. The diversity of projects that I was included on allowed me to develop both qualitative and quantitative skills, and exposed me to the various work done by SEA. Coming out of the internship I can confidently say my technical writing, Excel skills, and knowledge of VBA (Excel's coding language) were significantly improved.

In addition to the rewarding work, the work environment made me feel valued, respected, and like I could be myself. I would recommend the position to anyone hoping to be challenged who is ready to learn a *lot* about renewable energy.

-Toby Armstrong, 2018 Internship