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Solar One Announces Promotion of Elissa Knight to Director, Clean Energy Communities Program, a Partnership with NYSERDA and the City of New York

Solar One is proud to partner with NYSERDA and the City of New York to lead the next chapter of the Clean Energy Communities Program in New York City, providing direct support to the City's efforts to reduce municipal and community carbon emissions. We are grateful to NYSERDA for the opportunity to grow the program and increase our impact over the next five years.

New York City (November 5, 2021) – Solar One is thrilled to announce that, following a comprehensive search, we are promoting Elissa Knight to be our Director, Clean Energy Communities Program. Elissa has done fantastic work in her role embedded at the Mayor's Office of Climate & Sustainability over the last 3 years. Her accomplishments include coordinating interagency efforts to reduce carbon emissions, supporting the City in increasing public access to building energy data, and more recently helping the City launch its Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program.

Prior to Solar One, she worked as the Director of Sustainability at utiliVisor where she was responsible for developing qualifying projects for NYSERDA's Real Time Energy Management program, evaluating sub-metered usage to generate tenant invoices and analyzing data to determine patterns of energy use in buildings. She received her M.S. in Sustainability Management from Columbia University and holds an undergraduate degree from Boston College where she majored in Environmental Geoscience and also competed on the track and field team. Congratulations, Elissa!

In her new role, Elissa will supervise three full-time staff working within City government on long-term emissions reduction initiatives. She will also be hiring a Community Campaigns Coordinator who will work with community groups around the City to catalyze and support local clean energy campaigns.

Joe Smith, Director of Energy Programs at NYSERDA says:

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The Clean Energy Communities Program is all about fostering collaboration between the City, the State and local communities to advance our shared goal of fighting climate change. Solar One is proud to be working in partnership with NYSERDA and the City to do this work, and we know we will accomplish a lot with Elissa's leadership.

For further information on the positions available visit the links below:

[Community Emissions Specialist](#)
[Community Campaigns Coordinator](#)

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