# APPLICATION FOR CLEAN ENERGY FUND PROPOSALS

**DUE ON OCTOBER 4TH, 2017**

SUBMIT TO: sri@uvm.edu

**Background Information**

The Clean Energy Fund (CEF) was created in response to students’ vision of the University of Vermont running efficiently on a fraction of its current energy needs, powered by clean, locally produced renewable energy that fulfills both the University’s needs and supports the local economy. The CEF was established to advance renewable energy infrastructure on campus, and foster clean energy research and academics. A self-imposed student fee of $10 per student per semester replenishes the fund with about $250,000 annually.

The CEF is not to be used for professional development for individuals, course work at other institutions, or food or drink for meetings. Neither is the CEF intended to fund faculty research. Specific, highly relevant research proposals may be considered if the connection to the campus is explicit.

**Academics and Co-Curricular Education**

During the fall semester, SRIAC will identify opportunities for funding academic efforts by soliciting ideas and proposals from across campus. Examples of academic and co-curricular education projects include lecture series, guest lecturers and co-curricular education projects. Student clubs have received funding in the past for projects aimed at addressing clean energy issues.

**Infrastructure Projects**

The Clean Energy Infrastructure Committee (CEIC) will identify 2-3 infrastructure projects annually that are economically feasible and have the support of planning personnel on campus. Examples of infrastructure projects include building energy dashboards, installation of solar panels, smart meters, and feasibility studies.

**The members of the SRI Advisory Council will be evaluating this proposal based on the criteria below:**

**PROJECT ALIGNMENT WITH CLEAN ENERGY FUND GOALS -** Proposal demonstrates strong connections to the Clean Energy Fund goals.

**POTENTIAL FOR IMPACT -** Proposal clearly demonstrates the potential for high impact on members of the university community.

**PROJECT PROPOSAL -** Proposal is well written with all parts clearly explained. Proposal shows creativity and originality. The proposal demonstrates a plan for completing the proposed project. Clear evidence of significance and contribution to the field is provided.

**BUDGET -** Budget is clearly explained and is appropriate for the activities proposed. Cost estimates are realistic and justified.

**TIMELINE & FEASIBILITY -** The timeline is feasible, manageable and appropriate for the proposed project, demonstrating clear understanding of the time frame for proposed activities. Achievable project goals and milestones are outlined. If necessary, protocols/approval/trainings have been secured or in the process of being secured.

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**If your proposal is selected to move forward, you will be asked to give a 5 minute presentation (with Ppt or other visuals) at the CEF Forum to members of the university community and SRI Advisory Council on Wednesday, October 25th from 11:30am-1:30pm. You will be informed by October 16th if you will be presenting.**

**NAME OF CONTACT:**

**GROUP NAME (if applicable):**

**MAJOR AND COLLEGE (CALS, CAS, CEMS, CESS, CNHS, GSB, HCOL, RSENR):**

**EMAIL:**

**PHONE NUMBER:**

**PROJECT TITLE:**

**PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR PROJECT COMPLETION (this should include several major milestones):**

**BUDGET INFORMATION (round to the nearest dollar)**

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| **Supplies (in categories): consumables, equipment, services, subject payments, etc.** | **Explanation/Justification** | **Amount (nearest dollar)** |
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|  | **TOTAL FUNDING REQUESTED** | **$** |

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION (500 word maximum) – this is intended for an educated lay audience.**

* Introduction and background –explain what your project will be and how it meets the goals of the Clean Energy Fund.
* Describe what you plan to do during this project and how it relates to your budget request.
* Explain how the work will benefit members of the university community.
* Explain why it is important.