

Appendix 4 Sample Syllabus RER as text a Renewable Energy Law short course organized by topic

About the course:

Although renewable energy sources currently account for less than 10% of total energy consumption in the United States, the development of many of these energy sources has exploded both nationally and worldwide. The increased appetite for renewable energy sources has driven a need for more information about those sources and the significant legal implications arising from their development.

This course is a survey and is organized by topic. It will focus primarily on critical legal issues in tort, property, and contract areas raised by the expansion of these key renewable energy sources. The course also will address the role of energy efficiency and some of the broader legal hurdles facing renewable energy use from a nationwide perspective.

Course Reading Assignments from RENEWABLE ENERGY READER:

History & Technologies (total pages=86)

Chap. 1	Introduction	pp. 3-16
Chap. 2	Solar	pp. 17-23
Chap. 3	Wind	pp. 73-83
Chap. 4	Hydro	pp. 125-131, 164-169
Chap. 5	Biomass	pp. 171-180
Chap. 6	Geothermal	pp. 219-228
Chap. 8	Renewables on Federal Lands	pp. 325-353

Policies (total pages=91)

Chap. 2	Solar	pp. 41-66
Chap. 3	Wind	pp. 83-88, 119-123
Chap. 4	Hydro	pp. 153-164
Chap. 5	Biomass	pp. 193-205, Fig. 5.6 p. 187
Chap. 6	Geothermal	pp. 228-243, 257-260
Chap. 8	Renewables on Federal Lands	pp. 354-370

Environmental Issues (total pages=71)

Chap. 2	Solar	pp. 66-72
Chap. 3	Wind	pp. 89-105
Chap. 4	Hydro	pp. 153-164

Chap. 5	Biomass	pp. 205-218
Chap. 6	Geothermal	pp. 260-270
Chap. 8	Renewables on Federal Lands	pp. 370-385

Additional Topics (total pages=66)

Chap. 7	Energy Efficiency	pp. 271-307
Chap. 9	Native Nations & Energy Justice	pp. 387-417

Sections of RER cut from this proposed syllabus:

Chap. 2	Solar Access under the Common Law	pp. 24-41
Chap. 3	Wind v. Other Resources	pp. 105-118
Chap. 4	Bean v. Central Maine Power Co.	pp. 132-153
Chap. 5	Waste to Energy	pp. 180-192
Chap. 6	Geothermal Ownership	pp. 243-257
Chap. 7	Smart Grid & Privacy/ Data Centers	pp. 307-324