



# Is Northwest Microgrid a state-owned enterprise

Are microgrids a state program?

Several states have enacted legislation to include microgrids under existing state programs and incentives. The Connecticut legislature, in particular, has worked to wrap microgrids into state policies designed to support a variety of energy investments for both public and private entities.

Which states have included microgrids in grid modernization initiatives?

Colorado, Minnesota and New Mexico have included microgrids under broad grid modernization initiatives. In Colorado and Minnesota, the legislatures require regulated utilities to develop and submit transmission and distribution system plans to the state PUCs.

Which states are pursuing frameworks for multi-property microgrids?

Efforts by regulatory bodies in the states of Hawaii and California represent two examples of jurisdictions in the U.S. pursuing frameworks for multi-property microgrids to address the regulatory issues discussed in Section 4. Each jurisdiction currently has a distinct institutional focus.

Which federal investment has facilitated microgrid development in the United States?

Select U.S. Federal microgrid assessment and demonstration projects. Source: OE. Another major federal investment that has facilitated microgrid development in the United States is the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA).

Which states have defined microgrids in statute?

California, Connecticut, Hawaii, Maine and Puerto Rico have defined microgrids in statute as part of larger policies tailored specifically to facilitate the development of these systems.

Should Connecticut invest in microgrids?

The Connecticut legislature, in particular, has worked to wrap microgrids into state policies designed to support a variety of energy investments for both public and private entities. First, the state added microgrids to the list of qualifying projects that municipal energy improvement districts can pursue.

When developing a state microgrid program, State Energy Offices can utilize their relationships with local governments, investor- and consumer-owned utilities, and the private sector. These key stakeholders can provide insights into their ...



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