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Megan brings experience as in-house counsel at a large public utility to help solve clients' energy and electric power challenges.

She offers clients an array of experience on environmental issues specific to the electric power industry. In her role as primary environmental counsel for the utility's generation fleet, Megan gained experience under the Clean Water Act (CWA), Clean Air Act (CAA), and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).

Megan has deep experience under the CAA regional haze program. She works extensively on regional haze state implementation plan (SIP) development, including appellate challenges to federal implementation plans. She works closely with EPA and state regulators on regional haze settlement negotiations and the SIP revisions associated with such settlements. In addition, she defends challenges to Title V permits, provides New Source Review compliance advice, and counsels on National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPs) (specifically subpart OOOO and JJJJ).

With regard to waste, Megan has a strong foundation in the Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) rule. She has tracked all of the rulemakings and litigation associated with the rule and advises clients on compliance and litigation strategy. She also assists clients with remedy selection and the various reporting requirements of the CCR rule and drafts and assesses CCR beneficial use contracts. Megan managed an imminent and substantial RCRA citizen suit related to coal ash wastewater disposal and alleged CWA violations.

Finally, Megan develops strategies for coal unit retirement, including site remediation, permit and contractual obligations, regulatory compliance, and state regulatory recovery issues.

While Megan devotes a large part of her practice to the environmental challenges faced by electric utilities—specifically large investor-owned utilities—she has a strong Superfund practice. This experience pairs well with her coal unit retirement practice and other environmental matters unique to utilities.

In her free time, Megan enjoys spending time outdoors with her dog and husband, skiing, yoga, and horseback riding.

Education

- Connecticut College (B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2008)
 - Psychology
- University of Utah (J.D., *cum laude*, 2013)
 - Wallace Stegner Certificate in Environmental and Natural Resources Law
 - Outstanding Achievement Award in Energy Law
 - Moot Court Team, PACE Environmental Law Competition, 2012-2013

Bar Admissions

- Utah
- Washington

Professional Affiliations

- Director, Air & Waste Management Association Puget Sound Chapter