



## Cluster Membership Agreement

The NorTech Energy Enterprise Cluster is a consortium of organizations formed to accelerate the growth of the advanced energy industry in Northeast Ohio. Cluster members are able to leverage their collective competencies to maximize the ability to find, compete for and capture funding and new business. NorTech Energy Enterprise Cluster growth will be measured by increases in (a) member organizations, (b) jobs, (c) payroll, and (d) capital attracted. NorTech serves as the facilitator of the cluster's activities.

To drive cluster growth, NorTech Energy Enterprise will:

- Provide strategic support to companies in the advanced energy cluster
- Facilitate relationship building among cluster members for:
  - Supply chain requirements
  - Funding opportunities
  - Research partnership opportunities
  - Revenue development opportunities
- Participate in national and state policy development in support of cluster goals
- Increase awareness of region's industry clusters, success, assets and skilled workforce
- Refer cluster members to specific media/PR, local and national speaking opportunities
- Position NEO as a formidable technology industry leader to attract resources including talent, supply chain and funding opportunities
- Compile market intelligence suited to the needs of cluster members

We ask that Cluster Member Companies:

- Respond to requests for information regarding roadmap development and cluster metrics reporting, which may include information on employment, funding and revenue.
- Share success stories and provide permission to publish
- Participate in NorTech events and in local / national conferences
- Allow NorTech to indicate its membership in the NorTech Energy Enterprise Cluster for marketing activities, promotional literature, press releases and public announcements.

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Who is the main contact at your company regarding cluster opportunities (i.e., collaboration and funding opportunities, collection of cluster metric data)?

Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Who is the contact at your company regarding general information about your company? This person may be contacted from time to time to ensure that your company contact information is up to date. (if different than above)

Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Sector (choose all that apply):

- Biomass/Waste-to-Energy
- Clean Coal/CCS
- Energy Efficient Building Materials & Systems
- Energy Storage
- Fuel Cells
- Nuclear
- Smart Grid
- Solar
- Transportation Electrification
- Wind Energy
- Other

Line of Business (choose all that apply):

- Consulting
- Education, Training
- Energy Provider
- Engineer, Architect
- Installer
- Investor
- Manufacturing
- Professional Services
- Research, Development
- Sales, Distribution
- Service Provider
- Testing (labs)
- Other

*Diversity and Inclusion*

*NorTech is an organization that values diversity and inclusion. As such, we ask that you answer the following questions so we can better understand the effectiveness of our outreach efforts. Please be advised that: (a) you are under no obligation to respond; (b) responses will remain confidential; and (c) responses will be used only for the necessary information to include in our Diversity and Inclusion Program. Thank you for your cooperation*

*Organization: (Optional, please check one or more):*

- Minority Owned Business (MBE): At least 51% of your organization is owned by someone within the Hispanic/Latino or Black/African American groups.*
- Minority Led Business (MLB): The CEO, President or highest level executive of your organization is someone within the Hispanic/Latino or Black/African*

*Privacy Policy NorTech shall hold as privileged and confidential all information collected from NorTech Energy Enterprise Cluster Members that might identify a respondent with his or her responses. Results of the data collected will only be presented in an aggregated form to third parties either in the form of reports and/or marketing materials. The collected data will not be sold to any party at any time.*

*Disclaimer: This document is a non-binding agreement. Its sole purpose is to clarify the expectations of cluster membership.*

**Cluster Member Company**

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Signature

Date

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Print Name and Title

Completed Cluster Membership Agreements, questions and concerns may be directed to Ashley Sparks by email at [asparks@nortech.org](mailto:asparks@nortech.org), by phone at 216-363-6896 or by mail to NorTech, 737 Bolivar Road, Suite 1000, Cleveland, OH 44115.