



New Jersey Economic Development Authority

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ("RFI")

for

Mechanisms for strengthening New Jersey's Cleantech Innovation Ecosystem

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Question 1:

What do you mean by "State's cleantech ecosystem"? In Section 1, The RFI asks us to respond to "How do you currently interact with the State's cleantech ecosystem?" In section 2 you then define this somewhat as "(e.g., companies, physical spaces, financial supports, programs, networking events, etc)".

In the text of the actual RFI, I perceived "cleantech innovation ecosystem in New Jersey" to refer to the support that various NJ agencies provide for developing and support growth of cleantech innovation. However, the text cited above throws this into question. Where do 'companies' and 'physical spaces' fit into that?

Answer:

In the RFI, the phrases "cleantech innovation ecosystem" and "cleantech ecosystem" are used interchangeably. They are used not only to refer to the various NJ agencies that provide funding to develop and support cleantech innovation in the state.

For the purpose of the RFI, the State's cleantech ecosystem refers to all players and stakeholders in NJ that are involved in or associated with cleantech innovation, both individually and as they interact with one another, as well as any others who have an interest in cleantech innovation. Companies and owner/operators of physical spaces that support cleantech innovation are considered to be part of that ecosystem.