The Growing Corporate Demand for Renewable Energy: A Customer-Led REvolution

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# Growing Corporate Renewable Energy & GHG Commitments

**Corporate Targets** to reduce GHG emissions, improve energy efficiency, or increase renewable energy are increasing.



**RE100**: 111 companies are committed to sourcing 100 percent power from renewable energy.

# The Customer-Led REvolution

CORPORATE RENEWABLE ENERGY BUYERS' PRINCIPLES: INCREASING ACCESS TO RENEWABLE ENERGY





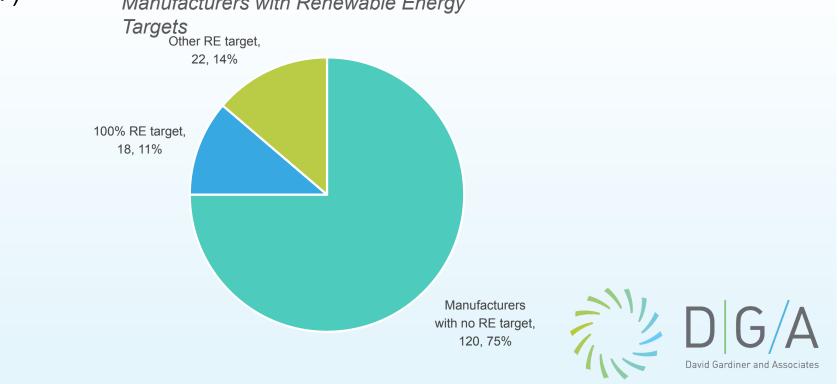
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# **Key Findings**

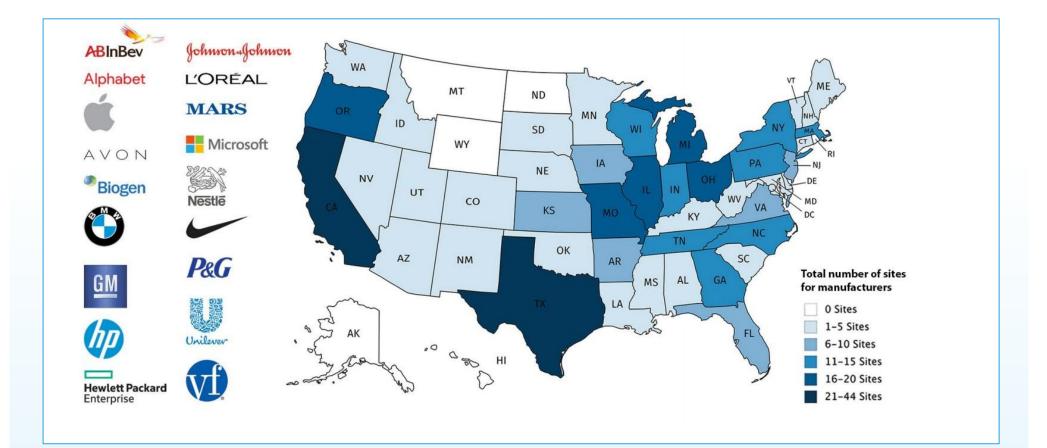
# **Manufacturers and Renewable Energy**

160 large manufacturing companies:

- 40 (25 percent) have renewable energy targets
- 18 have 100% renewable energy targets
- 132 (83 percent) have greenhouse gas reduction targets
- 22 have engaged in state renewable energy policy advocacy (2015-2017) *Manufacturers with Renewable Energy*



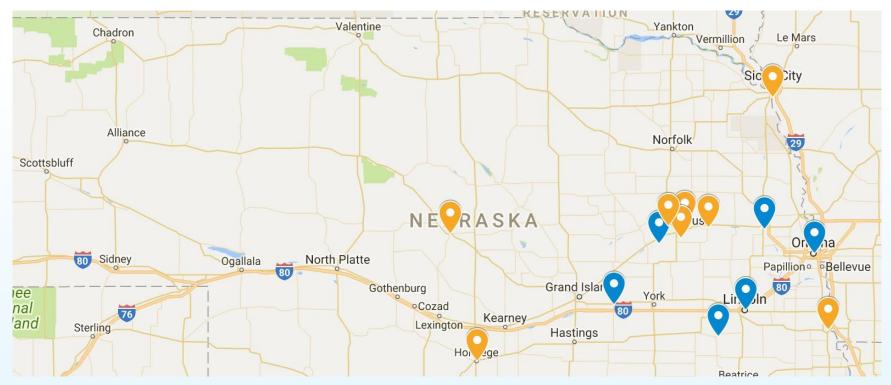
### Facility Locations for Manufacturers Committed to 100 Percent Renewable Energy





#### **Nebraska-Specific Findings**

- 6 facilities from 4 manufacturing companies with 100% RE commitments
  - Procter & Gamble, Apple, Mars, and Kellogg
- 8 facilities from 3 other manufacturing companies with RE commitments
  - BD, Cargill and Tysons Foods



# Leadership Profile: General Motors Invests in Wind Energy in the Midwest

- GM Goal: 100 percent renewable electricity by 2050.
- New 200 MW wind purchase will power all Ohio and Indiana manufacturing facilities - 20% of their global electricity needs.





Establishing a 100 percent renewable energy goal helps us better serve society by reducing environmental impact. This pursuit of renewable energy benefits our customers and communities through cleaner air while strengthening our business through lower and more stable energy costs."

-GM Chairman and CEO Mary Barra





#### **Renewables: The Economic Development Edge**

*"For us, [renewable energy is] kind of a gate. If we couldn't do that, we would not be here. To lowa's credit, lowa saw this and had the vision to work with the utilities and so forth so it could happen." – Apple CEO Tim Cook* 

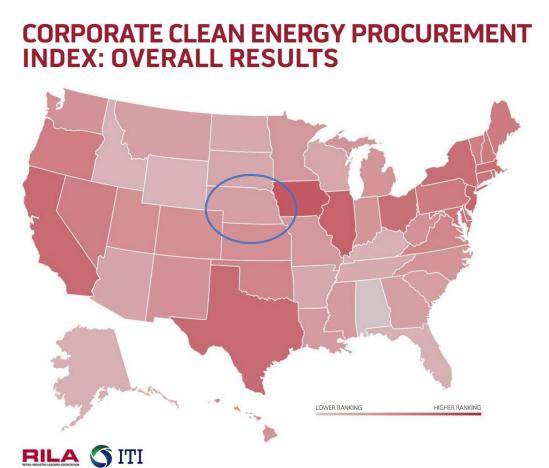
"The availability of renewable energy choices is also a key factor for many of us when we choose where to do business." - General Mills, GM, Nestlé, P&G, Target, Unilever, Walmart

"We urge state governments to look hard at steps they can take to promote customer choice for renewable energy so that they can open the doors to new investments." -Adam Siegel, Senior Vice President, Retail Industry Leaders Association



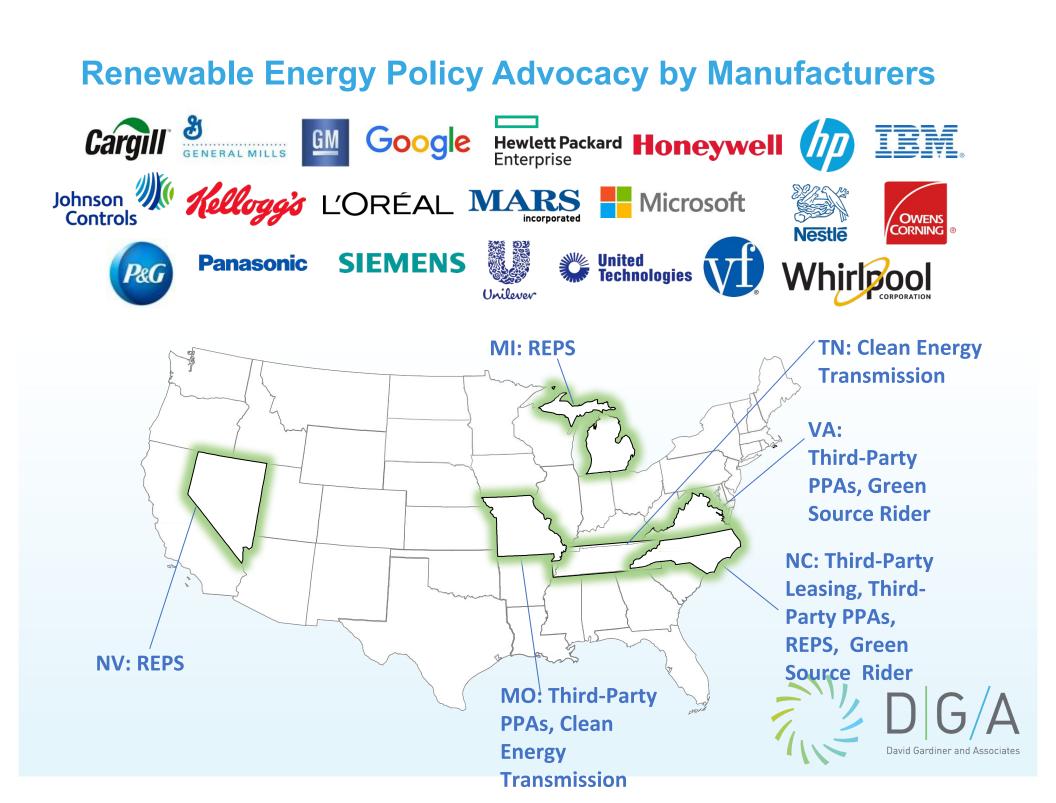
#### **How Does Nebraska Stack Up?**

The RILA/ITI Corporate Clean Energy Procurement Index gives Nebraska an overall ranking of 38 out of 50.
RANK STATE INDEX SCORE



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1	lowa Illinois	74.73 68.79
5	New Jersey	
2	California	66.65
- 2	Texas	63.50
ã	Massachusetts	60.64
7	New York	60.13
2345678910	Ohio	59.66
ğ	Rhode Island	57.28
10	Connecticut	56.49
11	Maryland	56.04
12 13	Delaware	54.93
13	New Hampshire	53.31
14	Maine	52.95
15	Pennsylvania	51.53
16	Oregon	50.98
17	Oregon Nevada	49.99
18	Vermont	48.55
19	Oklahoma	46.18
20 21	Virginia	44.98
21	Kansas	40.09
22	Colorado	39.01
23	Utah	37.60
24	New Mexico	37.39
25	Hawaii	37.01
26	West Virginia	36.43
27	Washington	36.43
28 29	Indiana	35.30
30	Michigan North Carolina	35.06
21	Minnesota	34.81
31 32	Missouri	31.56
33	Louisiana	29.93
34	Mississippi	29.56
35	Montana	27.42
36	South Carolina	27.34
37		27.24
38	Georgia Nebraska	26.51
39	Arizona	24.33
40	Wisconsin	21.94
41	South Dakota	21.91
42	Arkansas	20.43
43	North Dakota	19.95
44	Tennessee	19.74
45		15.78
46		15.71
47		15.56
48	Idaho	13.60
48 50	Wyoming Alabama	13.60
50	AldUdIIId	1.82

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#### What States Can Do To Attract Business

- **Remove barriers** to renewable energy development and access, so manufacturers can buy power that is cheap and clean
- **Support customer choice policies**, such as third-party purchase agreements for onsite and offsite renewable energy
- Foster dialogues between utilities and large energy customers, to ensure easy development of the next generation of utility green tariff programs

"It is critical that we continue developing the renewables, because, believe me, at the end of the day, if the Facebooks and the Googles and the PayPals and the Amazons think that we are not committed to renewable energy, they will not come here. Period, end of story." - Ohio Governor John Kasich

"We met with the leaders from Microsoft, Google and Amazon, and they made it perfectly clear that they will only do business and create jobs in states that can provide renewable energy to power their operations." – Virginia Governor Terry McAuliffe

