## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

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## **BUREAU CHIEF, BUREAU OF ENERGY & TECHNOLOGY POLICY**

Tracy Babbidge currently serves as the Bureau Chief of the Bureau of Energy & Technology Policy. The Bureau is responsible for formulating the state's energy and climate change policies including: developing the state's first Comprehensive Energy Strategy, Conservation and Load Management Plan and Connecticut's Integrated Resource Plans. The Bureau has been leading state-wide efforts in grid-modernization, the deployment of distributed resources and overseeing the implementation of nationally recognized programs for energy efficiency and energy resiliency. In 2014 the Bureau's Microgrid Program received a national award for outstanding innovative approaches to clean energy from the Clean Energy States Alliance. Tracy was recognized as the New England Clean Energy Council's Clean Energy Champion in 2017.

Tracy also represents the Bureau in numerous forums to advance Connecticut's energy policy initiatives including regional stakeholder processes with the Connecticut Public Utility Regulatory Authority, (CT PURA), the New England Independent Systems Operator (ISO-NE) and proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). Tracy has served in several environmental positions within the former Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). Prior to state service Tracy worked on the federal level for the Environmental Crimes Section of the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. She received her law degree from Quinnipiac College School of Law and her B.A. from Providence College. She is a member of the Connecticut Bar.