

## Energy: Electricity, Hydropower & Mining

With our significant experience in the electric power industry, we regularly represent project contractors, owners and operators of power and transmission projects, and other industry clients in the development and financing of domestic and international power and transmission projects.

### *Project Development & Power Plant Operations*

From simple and combined-cycle thermal generation projects, cogeneration projects, and hydroelectric projects to facilities for high-voltage transmission systems, our experience includes the negotiation and documentation of the following power project agreements, for owning and operating power plants and transmission systems:

- Environmental site assessment issues and permitting
- EPC contracts
- Fuel supply and transportation agreements
- Land use and zoning, as well as the analysis of available tax abatements and/or the creation of free enterprise zones
- Long-term parts and service agreements
- NIMBY (not in my backyard) disputes
- Operation and maintenance agreements
- Power purchase and tolling agreements
- Real estate and title work
- Site selection and related issues, including interconnection issues, such as access to the transmission grid and the availability of fuel and water supplies
- Turbine purchase agreements

### *Project Finance Experience*

Our electrical power generation and transmission project financing experience includes counseling and supporting the drafting and negotiating of project documents, providing analysis of contractual and commercial risks, and assisting in the development of measures to effectively mitigate or hedge risks. We have handled:

- Credit facilities
- Direct agreements with lenders, including consents, estoppels, and subordinations
- Equity support agreements and security agreements
- Financing term sheets
- Guaranties
- Hedging agreements
- Letter of credit arrangements
- Loan commitment letters
- Louisiana Public Service Commission matters
- Multi-tranche loan and credit agreements
- Subordinated debt agreements

### ***Mining***

We also manage the legal aspects of many types of mining agreements and transactions, such as:

- Commodity price protection agreements
- Contracts of affreightment and other transportation agreements
- Joint ventures, both contractual and corporate
- Mineral leases and concessions involving private and government lands
- Mine financing, permitting, and expansions
- Property acquisitions and sales
- Purchases and sales of mineral products
- Reclamation bonding
- Service agreements
- Waste treatment and disposal

Our mining experience spans agricultural and industrial minerals, precious and base metals, and other minerals within the United States and abroad.

### ***Renewable Energy***

Jones Walker's Green Law & Sustainability team helps clients anticipate,

track, and respond to rapidly changing and increasingly complex environmental regulations, with a focus on emerging issues including climate change, green building and sustainable development, green living and corporate operations, and renewable fuels and alternative energy. Our experience in environmental, business, construction, renewable energy, land use, natural resources, employment, tax, government relations, and intellectual property law enables our attorneys to quickly identify and resolve issues that organizations commonly face, seeking to comply with and succeed in the regulatory framework prompted by calls for increased sustainability.

Our work includes carbon capture, algae and other biofuels, wind farms, solar power, and other emerging sustainable energy sources.

