Wind energy means economic development for Delaware.
Delaware installed its first utility-scale wind turbine in 2010 at the University of Delaware. Delaware’s Renewable Portfolio Standard, established in 2005 and raised in 2010, requires utilities to supply 25 percent of their electricity sales from renewable resources by 2025. The combination of effective state policy and investment into the wind supply chain could translate into both environmental and economic benefits for Delaware and its residents.

Jobs & Economic
An investment in wind power is an investment in jobs, including jobs in operations and maintenance, construction, manufacturing and many support sectors. In addition, wind projects produce lease payments for landowners and increase the tax base of communities.

- 2016 direct and indirect jobs supported: 1 to 100
- Total capital investment through 2016: $5 million
- Annual land lease payments: <$100,000

Wind-Related Manufacturing
The United States has over 500 manufacturing facilities producing products for the wind industry that range from blade, tower and turbine nacelle assembly facilities to raw component suppliers, including fiberglass and steel.

- Number of active manufacturing facilities in the state: 0

Note: Calculations based on national and state averages.