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Beginning on September 13, 2010, Washington State Governor, Chris Gregoire, and a team of 80 representatives from various industries travel to China with the goal of fostering trade and business relationships between Washington State and China. The trade mission provides Washington an opportunity to demonstrate and offer its depth of knowledge, lessons learned, and experience in sustainability and integrated design practices. As part of Governor Gregoire's delegation of Washington leaders, Rae Anne was selected to represent the clean energy and sustainable building industries.

Last month, China surpassed the United States as the world's largest energy consumer according to the International Energy Agency. China also surpassed the U.S. in clean energy investments in 2009. Rushing is an engineering company that brings expertise in High Performance Building Design in Commercial Buildings. The Pacific Northwest region of the States has long been considered rich in its mastery of the field of integrated, sustainable building design, application of clean energy technologies, and energy retrofiting. On this trade mission, Rae Anne will help to expand our region's network within the Chinese Government and Developer Communities and gain a better understanding of China's green city initiatives, priorities, timelines, and financial models.