



Keynotes on Resilience of New England's Electricity System; and Wholesale Market Design 3.0

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Bios of Speakers/Moderator



Commissioner Cheryl LaFleur was nominated by President Barack Obama to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in 2010 and was confirmed for a second term by the Senate in 2014. She served as Acting Chairman of the Commission from November 2013 to July 2014 and January to April 2017, and as Chairman from July 2014 until April 2015. She is a member of the NARUC Committees on Electricity and Critical Infrastructure and co-chaired the FERC/NARUC Forum on Reliability and the Environment.

Prior to joining FERC, Cheryl served as executive vice president and acting CEO of National Grid USA, responsible for the delivery of electricity to 3.4 million customers in the Northeast. Her previous positions at National Grid USA and its predecessor New England Electric System included chief operating officer, president of the New England distribution companies, and general counsel.

Cheryl was named Woman of the Year by the Women's Council on Energy and the Environment in 2015, received the Northeast Energy and Commerce Association's Vanguard Award for leadership in 2014, and a Bipartisan Congressional Award for her work on grid reliability in 2013. Cheryl began her career as an attorney at Ropes and Gray in Boston. She holds a J.D. from Harvard, where she was an editor of the Harvard Law Review, and an A.B. from Princeton.



James B. Robb is president and chief executive officer of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) where he directs key programs affecting more than 1,400 bulk power system owners, operators, and users, including mandatory NERC Reliability Standards, compliance monitoring, enforcement, situational awareness, event and risk analysis, reliability assessments and forecasting, cyber and physical security, and government relations. He also oversees the operations of the Regional Entities across North America.

Prior to coming to NERC, Jim served as president and CEO of the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC). Before becoming WECC's CEO in 2014, he held three major leadership roles in the industry: at Northeast Utilities (now Eversource Energy), where he was senior vice president of Enterprise Planning and Development; at Reliant Energy (now part of NRG Energy) where he served as senior vice president of Retail Marketing for the competitive retail business in Texas and the Northeast; and at McKinsey & Co. where he was a partner and lead the West Coast's Energy and Natural Resource Practice.

Jim earned his BS in Chemical Engineering from Purdue and his MBA from Penn's Wharton School of Business.



Katie Dykes is the Commissioner of Connecticut's Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), having been nominated by Governor Ned Lamont in December 2018.

Katie most recently served as Chair of Connecticut's Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA). As PURA Chair, she played an active role in helping to achieve the goal of Connecticut's energy agenda to bring cheaper, cleaner, and more reliable energy to the state's families and businesses. Previously, she served as Deputy Commissioner for Energy at DEEP from 2012 through 2016.

As the Chair of the Board of Directors of the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, Inc. (RGGI) from 2014 to 2017, Katie led a multi-state effort focused on reducing carbon emissions from electric generating facilities. Prior to joining DEEP, Katie served as Deputy General Counsel for the White House Council on Environmental Quality and as a Legal Advisor to the General Counsel for the U.S. Department of Energy under President Obama. She is a graduate of Yale College and Yale Law School.



Mark Karl is Vice President, Market Development at ISO-NE. In this role, he is responsible for the design and development of wholesale electricity markets and oversees the functions of Wholesale Markets Strategy, Demand Resources Strategy, NEPOOL Markets Committee coordination, and Market Rules Integration. Mark previously served as Senior Director of Resource Adequacy in the ISO's System Planning Department, where he was responsible for the operation of the Forward Capacity Auction, development of the load forecast and installed capacity requirements, and the auction qualification process.

Prior to that, he served as Director of Market Development and Integration, designing markets and representing the ISO in stakeholder, regulatory, and legislative processes. Before joining the ISO, Mark worked for nearly 20 years at Duquesne Light Company in Pittsburgh, where he served as a key member in Duquesne's participation in Pennsylvania's transition to competitive markets.

Mark holds a BS in Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering and an MBA from the University of Pittsburgh.



Dan Dolan is President of the New England Power Generators Association (NEPGA), the trade association representing 80% of the installed generation capacity in New England, approximately 25,000 megawatts. As President, he is the organization's principal spokesperson and oversees all activities for the largest trade association representing competitive electric generating companies in New England. Dan leads a staff that represents the membership on electricity market rules development and expansion of wholesale electric competition. He is a frequent speaker at legislative and regulatory hearings, as well at industry conferences. He was appointed to the Commission on the Future of Transportation in the Commonwealth by Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker to advise the Governor on transportation needs and challenges out to the year 2040.

Prior to coming to NEPGA, Dan served as Vice President of Policy Research & Communications at the Electric Power Supply Association (EPSA), the national trade association representing competitive power suppliers, including generators and marketers. In that role, he was responsible for coordinating research, reports, studies and analysis as well as directing communications and state advocacy for the organization. Dan also oversaw the development of energy trading policy, including spearheading EPSA's activities in the development and implementation of the Dodd-Frank Wall St. Reform Act.

Dan holds a BA in business management from Goucher College, with an emphasis on international business.



Paul Hibbard is a Principal at Analysis Group, a Boston-based economic and financial consulting firm. Paul is a former Chairman of the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities and has held positions in both energy and environmental regulatory agencies in Massachusetts. Paul has also served on the New England States' Committee on Electricity, the Massachusetts Energy Facilities Siting Board, and the Executive Committee of the Eastern Interconnect States' Planning Council. In private practice, Paul provides technical, economic and policy analysis and strategic advice to public and private sector participants in the natural gas and electric industries.

Paul holds a B.S. in Physics from the University of Massachusetts Amherst, and an M.S. in Energy and Resources from the University of California at Berkeley.



Dr. Jonathan Raab has served as the convener and moderator of the New England Electricity Restructuring Roundtable since 1995, and of the Energy Policy Roundtable in the PJM Footprint since 2016. A national leader in applying consensus building processes to energy, environmental, and regulatory issues, some of his major cases include the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI); the New England Demand Response Initiative (NEDRI); the Greenhouse Gas planning processes for the City of Boston, Maine, and Rhode Island; RPS rules for Massachusetts and Rhode Island; the energy plan for Tennessee; energy efficiency stakeholder processes in California, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts; market rules for Alberta; and Grid Modernization in Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Rhode Island. He has also run stakeholder processes for U.S. DOE, U.S Fish & Wildlife, and U.S. EPA. Jonathan assisted both PJM and MISO in reforming their respective stakeholder processes.

Prior to establishing Raab Associates, Jonathan was the Assistant Director of the Electric Power Division at the Massachusetts DPU. He holds a Ph.D. from MIT, and an M.S. and A.B. from Stanford. He has taught courses at the University of Oregon, Stanford, UMass (Boston) and MIT and is the author of *Using Consensus Building to Improve Utility Regulation*.