



**Weaning NE Buildings Off Fossil Gas; and  
Market (Redesign) Pathways to a Decarbonized NE Grid (#174)**

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Bios of Speakers/Moderator



**Rebecca L. Tepper** is Chief of the Energy and Environment Bureau at the Office of the Massachusetts Attorney General (AGO). In this role, Rebecca serves as the Attorney General’s chief advisor on energy and environmental law and policy. Prior to joining the AGO, Rebecca was the General Counsel to the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities. Before that, Rebecca served as Director of the Massachusetts Energy Facilities Siting Board.

Previously, Rebecca spent 15 years in the private sector, representing developers throughout the Northeast in siting, permitting, financing, and contracting of renewable, distributed generation and conventional energy facilities. She also advocated on behalf of various stakeholders before state public utility commissions and at the FERC in proceedings involving rates, energy efficiency, demand response, and the ISO-NE markets and rules. Rebecca graduated magna cum laude from BU Law School and received a BA from the University of Wisconsin/Madison.



**Judith Judson** is the Head of US Strategy for National Grid. She brings a wealth of experience in public policy, regulatory, project development, and business strategy to this role. She has served in top government positions in Massachusetts, as Commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources and as Chair of the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities. Judith oversaw the Massachusetts Energy Storage Initiative, which implemented policies to significantly add in the development of energy storage in the state. In addition to her extensive government experience,

Judith spent several years in leadership roles in the energy storage industry where she developed multiple utility-scale storage projects and led the advocacy for new rules to compensate storage in the wholesale electricity markets. Judith has received honors from her industry peers, including being awarded the Phil Symons Energy Storage Award from the Energy Storage Association and the Energy Storage North America Policy Champion Award for her work to advance the energy storage industry.

She holds an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School and a BS in Mechanical Engineering from Kettering University.



**William J. Akley** is President of Gas Operations for Eversource Energy. He is responsible for the overall operations of the safe and reliable delivery of natural gas to approximately 522,000 customers in 122 towns and cities in Connecticut and Massachusetts. Bill has more than 30 years of leadership and management experience and is a seasoned veteran of the utility industry in all facets of natural gas transmission and distribution. Prior to joining Eversource, he was Senior Vice President of U.S. Gas Operations for National Grid and responsible for field operations including construction, maintenance, and meter service throughout the company's service territory. Prior to joining National Grid, Bill spent several years at KeySpan Energy. Bill began his career as a field engineer at Brooklyn Union Gas in New York.

Bill earned his master's degree from Adelphi and his BS in Mechanical and Industrial Engineering from Clarkson. He is a licensed professional engineer and has served as the Safety Committee Chairperson for the American Gas Association and as member of the boards of the American Gas Association and the Northeast Gas Association.



**Amy Boyd** is the Director of Policy for Acadia Center, based in the Boston office. She oversees Acadia Center's work on advancing climate policy, electrifying transportation and buildings, and transitioning to clean energy sources throughout the Northeast. Amy holds Acadia Center's seat on the Massachusetts Energy Efficiency Advisory Council, a stakeholder board that works with utilities to carry out their mandate to purchase all cost-effective energy efficiency. Before joining Acadia Center, Amy was an associate in the Environmental Practice Group of Foley Hoag LLP.

Prior to attending law school, Amy managed political campaigns in Oklahoma and New Jersey. Amy holds a JD cum laude from Northwestern School of Law and a BA in Environmental Studies from Wellesley.



**Katie Scharf Dykes** is the Commissioner of Connecticut's Department of Energy & Environmental Protection (DEEP). She was nominated by Governor Ned Lamont to serve as the Commissioner of DEEP and was confirmed in February 2019. Katie previously served as Chair of the Connecticut Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA) from 2015-2018, and as Deputy Commissioner for Energy at DEEP from 2012-2015. Katie also served as the Chair of the Board of Directors of the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, Inc. (RGGI). RGGI is a multi-state effort focused on reducing carbon emissions from electric generating facilities. She joined CT DEEP in March 2012 after prior service 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.

Katie is a graduate of Yale College and the Yale Law School.



**Gordon van Welie** is President and CEO of ISO New England, having previously served as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. He joined ISO New England from Siemens Power Transmission & Distribution, where he served as Vice President and General Manager of the Power Systems Control Division and was responsible for managing information technology solutions for electric companies. Before coming to Siemens, Gordon held several positions at Eskom, South Africa's electric utility based in Johannesburg. Gordon is a member of several industry groups, including the National Academy of Engineering, the Executive Committee of the U. S. National Committee of CIGRE, the Member Representatives Committee of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation, the ISO/RTO Council, and the IEEE Power & Engineering Society. He is a recipient of 2017 Utility Variable Generation Integration (UVIG) Achievement Award and, in 2016, was awarded the IEEE Power & Energy Society Leadership in Power Award.

Gordon holds a BS in Electrical Engineering and an MBA from the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa.



**Dr. Todd Schatzki** is a principle at Analysis Group, where he supports clients in a range of contexts, including strategic and financial advice, policy analysis, regulatory and rulemaking proceedings, and litigation. His expertise in the electricity sector includes wholesale energy and capacity market design; utility regulation and ratemaking; economic impact analysis of new market rules, regulations, and generation and transmission investments; contract analysis and disputes; financial valuation; and options analysis. He has testified before US state and federal, as well as Canadian provincial, regulatory commissions. He has supported the analysis of alleged market manipulation and damages in high-profile litigations such as FERC v. Barclays and lawsuits following the California electricity crisis.

Recently, Todd's work has focused on the intersection of climate policy and energy markets, and disputes involving water resources and environmental contamination. His research has been published in distinguished energy- and environment-related publications, and he has provided research for prominent organizations such as the Electric Power Research Institute, the Edison Electric Institute, and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Todd holds a Ph.D. in public policy from Harvard; a master's in environmental policy and planning from MIT and a B.A. in physics from Wesleyan.



**Peter Fuller** is the founder and Principal of Autumn Lane Energy Consulting, which provides strategic business and regulatory advisory services to the energy industry, primarily in the areas of competitive wholesale market design and participation, renewable energy and energy storage, and the intersection of state energy and environmental policy with wholesale markets. Over his 30-plus years in the energy industry, he has held roles in engineering and power supply planning for Eastern Utilities Associates and has represented independent power producers Mirant and NRG in the ISO New England, New York ISO and PJM stakeholder processes.

He has held leadership positions in the New England Power Pool, the New England Power Generators Association, and the Independent Power Producers of New York. Peter holds a BS from Bucknell and an MS from Northeastern, both in Electrical Engineering.



**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 from 2016 to 2020.

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; the New England Demand Response Initiative; 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. He is currently the liaison between the PJM Members and PJM Board regarding complaints related to the Independent Market Monitor. and is moderating the new FERC/NARUC Joint Task Force on Transmission. 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*.



**Carol Holahan** is a partner in Foley Hoag's Energy & Cleantech practice. She advises large, competitive regional generators and other participants in the wholesale and retail competitive electricity markets on regional policy initiatives, changing environmental regulations, decommissioning and sale of plants, and matters pending before the FERC. In addition to concentrating on traditional fossil fuel generation, Carol's practice includes renewable energy resources such as large solar storage and biomass. She has significant experience in the NEPOOL stakeholder process, and with legal challenges to new or existing laws and regulations, environmental permitting, facility siting and assessment or limitations of liability due to the sale or retirement of generating facilities.

Prior to joining to Foley Hoag, Carol was the Senior Director of Government Affairs at Dynegy Inc., the largest generator in New England and one of the largest power producers in the country prior to its 2018 merger with Vistra Energy. Before that, she served as Director of Government Affairs for the New England Power Generators Association, representing competitive power producers before state policy makers, regulators, and infrastructure siting boards. She also served as the Director of the Office of Legislative Services in New Hampshire, the non-partisan bill drafting and research office of the state's 424-member legislature.

Carol earned her JD, magna cum laude, from Suffolk Law School and her BS from Georgetown.