# NARUC Summer Policy Summit

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# Welcome to Scottsdale for NARUC's Summer Policy Summit!

It is our pleasure to convene panels focused on the practical policy matters and other issues relevant to our state commission members and stakeholders.

Whether your interests are focused on electricity, gas, critical infrastructure, water, telecommunications, consumers, international relations, or the full spectrum of utility-related topics, our committees and subcommittees have done an outstanding job facilitating the best topics and speakers available.

After a day of subcommittee meetings on Sunday, we will kick off Monday's General Session with a talk from Department of Energy Assistant Secretary Bruce J. Walker, who will discuss 'Advancing Reliability and Resiliency in the Electric Power System.' A moderated panel follows, with insights on 'How to Create and Implement an Innovative Ecosystem in the Water and Energy Nexus.' A related theme, 'Understanding the Water-Energy Nexus in the Desert' is featured on Tuesday. Our final General Session on Wednesday leads with a thoughtful question, 'Regulatory Yoga: Are We Flexible Enough?'

Many of you may wonder about NARUC's current priorities and why and how we advocate on behalf of state utility regulators. Our closing General Session, 'Advocacy Update: There's Bite in Our Bark,' will provide insights on why NARUC's advocacy is important and allow our committee chairs to highlight their priorities.

The NARUC app will help guide you through the agenda, which is moving toward paperless by our next meeting. Along with tracking sessions, you can review related documents, read the resolutions, and interact with other attendees, if you like. If you haven't downloaded the app, a NARUC staff member can assist you.

We understand that your schedules are full—finding the time and getting the approval to attend meetings is often difficult. However, there is a constant flow of changes occurring at the national level that affect states, along with new and exciting innovations and trends that are important to share with members and stakeholders. Thank you for including NARUC's Policy Summit in your summer activities.

As always, we cannot say thank you enough to all of the state members who have worked with NARUC staff to organize this year's summit.



John Betkoski III NARUC President Connecticut Public Utilities Regulatory Authority



Greg White NARUC Executive Director

# What You Need to Know

# **Hotel Information**

**Fairmont Scottsdale Princess** 7575 E Princess Drive Scottsdale, AZ 85255 (480) 585-4848

# **Overflow Hotel**

Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains 16770 North Perimeter Drive Scottsdale, AZ 85260 (480) 502-3836

# **Registration and Information Desk**

The NARUC registration and information desk will be open the following hours: Sunday 8:00 a.m.–6:30 p.m. Monday 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Tuesday 8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Wednesday 9:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m.

# Internet

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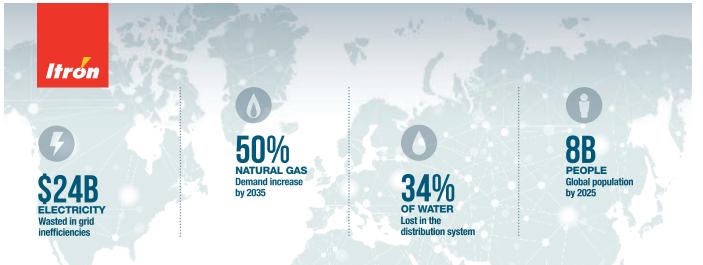
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# **SUNDAY**

| 8:00 a.m.–6:30 p.m.                             | Registration   |                            |
|---|--|----------------------------|
| 8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.                             | Staff Subcommittee on Telecommunications   | Palomino 1 & 2             |
| 9:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m.                            | Staff Subcommittee on Energy Resources and the Environmen  | t Palomino 4 & 5           |
| 9:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m.                            | Subcommittee on Supplier and Workforce Diversity   | Palomino 8–10              |
| 9:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m.                            | Staff Subcommittee on Consumers and the Public InterestArabian / Palomino 4(Closed Meeting 9:00 a.m10:15 a.m.)   |                            |
| 9:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m.                            | Staff Subcommittee on Rate Design  | Palomino 6 & 7             |
| 9:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m.                            | Staff Subcommittee on Water  | Palomino 6 & 7             |
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| 9:00 a.m.–10:15 a.m. and<br>3:30 p.m.–4:45 p.m. | Staff Subcommittee on Electric Reliability Palom   | nino 4 & 5 / Palomino 8–10 |
| 10:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m.                           | Washington Action (Closed Meeting)   | Moor 3                     |
| 10:15 a.m.–10:30 a.m.                           | Networking Break   | Foyer                      |
| 10:30 a.m.–11:45 a.m.                           | Staff Subcommittee on Critical Infrastructure (Closed Meeting) Arabi   |                            |
| 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.                            | New Commissioner Forum (New Commissioners Only)DorCommittee on International RelationsPalomino deCommittee on Critical InfrastructurePalomino deStaff Subcommittee on GasPalomino de |                            |
| 1:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.                             |  |                            |
| 1:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.                             |  |                            |
| 1:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.                             |  |                            |
| 1:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.                             | Staff Subcommittee on Pipeline Safety Palomi   |                            |
| 2:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m.                             | Staff Subcommittee on Executive Management (Closed Meetin  | g) Moor 3                  |
| 2:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m.                             | Staff Subcommittee on Information Services (Closed Meeting)  | Moor 3                     |
| 2:30 p.m.–3:00 p.m.                             | 2:30 p.m3:00 p.m. Networking Break   3:30 p.m4:45 p.m. Committee on Electricity  |                            |
| 3:30 p.m.–4:45 p.m.                             |  |                            |
| 3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.                             | <b>Committee on Consumers and the Public Interest</b><br>(Closed Business Meeting)   | Arabian                    |
| 3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.                             | Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment  | Palomino 8–10              |
| 3:45 p.m.–4:00 p.m.                             | Networking Break   | Foyer                      |
| 5:00 p.m.–6:30 p.m.                             | Welcome Reception  | Princess Ballroom          |



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# MONDAY

| 6:30 a.m.–8:15 a.m.   | OPSI Breakfast                                      | Princess Salon C                |
|-----------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.   | Registration  |                                 |
| 8:30 a.m.–10:15 a.m.  | General Session                                     | Princess Ballroom               |
| 10:15 a.m.–10:30 a.m. | Networking Break                                    | Foyer                           |
| 10:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  | Committee on Electricity                            | Palomino 4 & 5                  |
| 10:45 a.m.–2:30 p.m.  | Task Force on Innovation                            | Palomino 8–10 / Palomino 4 & 5  |
| 10:45 a.m.–3:45 p.m.  | Committee on Consumers and the Public Interest      | Palomino 4 & 5 / Palomino 1 & 2 |
| 10:45 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  | Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment   | Palomino 8–10 / Palomino 4 & 5  |
| 10:45 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  | Committee on Gas                                    | Palomino 4 & 5 / Palomino 6 & 7 |
| 10:45 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  | Committee on Telecommunications                     | Palomino 1 & 2                  |
| 10:45 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  | Committee on Water                                  | Palomino 3                      |
| 1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.   | Committee on Critical Infrastructure                | Palomino 6 & 7                  |
| 1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.   | Subcommittee on Pipeline Safety                     | Palomino 6 & 7                  |
| 1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.   | Subcommittee on Supplier and Workforce Diversity    | Palomino 8–10                   |
| 2:30 p.m.–2:45 p.m.   | Networking Break                                    | Foyer                           |
| 3:45 p.m.–4:00 p.m.   | Networking Break                                    | Foyer                           |
| 5:15 p.m.–6:15 p.m.   | Commission Staff Power Hour (Commission Staff Only) | Princess Salon A-C              |
| 5:15 p.m.–6:00 p.m.   | MACRUC Regional Meeting (Invitees Only)             | Moor 2                          |
| 5:15 p.m.–6:00 p.m.   | MARC Regional Meeting (Invitees Only)               | Arabian                         |
| 5:15 p.m.–6:00 p.m.   | SEARUC Regional Meeting (Invitees Only)             | Golden                          |
| 5:15 p.m.–6:00 p.m.   | Western Regional Meeting (Invitees Only)            | Moor 3                          |
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### **General Session**

# Welcome to the NARUC Summer Policy Summit in Scottsdale

Hon. Jack Betkoski, NARUC President

# Advancing Reliability and Resiliency in the Electric Power System

Bruce J. Walker, Assistant Secretary, Office of Electricity; Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Cybersecurity, Energy Security, and Emergency Response, U.S. Department of Energy

# How to Create and Implement an Innovative Ecosystem in the Water and Energy Nexus

The unprecedented pace of change within the electric, gas, and water utilities requires new ideas, technologies, and software to integrate renewable energy, accommodate distributed generation, and create innovations that solve problems across the electric, gas, and water systems. Adapting to these challenges and opportunities requires innovations to successfully manage the shifting world that regulators, utility executives, and entrepreneurs face. This panel will share experiences and ideas for creating an "ecosystem of innovation" that is pioneering the solutions to realize the 21st Century utility. Commissioners will develop an understanding of how Israel has become the "Start Up Nation" that has produced more patents and companies listed on the NASDAQ than any country other than the United States and China. Similarly, the panel will examine the unique role the National Laboratories have provided to initiate and commercialize the products that are fostering the revolution in the water and energy nexus. Commissioners will also learn the benefits and cautionary experiences from a utility adopting new technologies.

Moderator: Hon. Jack Betkoski III, NARUC President, Connecticut

Panelists: Hon. Julie Fedorchak, North Dakota

Dr. Dan Arvizu, Senior Advisor, Emerson Elemental practice of Emerson Collective Oded Distel, Founder and Director, Isreal NewTech David Stanton, President, SUEZ

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# **TUESDAY**

| 8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.   | Registration   |                                 |
|-----------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| 9:00 a.m.–10:15 a.m.  | General Session  | Princess Ballroom               |
| 10:15 a.m.–10:30 a.m. | Networking Break                                       | Foyer                           |
| 10:45 a.m.–3:45 p.m.  | Task Force on Innovation                               | Palomino 3 / Palomino 6 & 7     |
| 10:45 a.m.–11:45 a.m. | Committee on Consumers and the Public Interest         | Palomino 8–10                   |
| 10:45 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  | Committee on Electricity                               | Palomino 4 & 5                  |
| 10:45 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  | Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment      | Palomino 8–10                   |
| 10:45 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  | Committee on Gas (Closed Meeting 1:30-2:30, 4:00-5:00) | Palomino 4 & 5 / Palomino 6 & 7 |
| 10:45 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  | Committee on Telecommunications                        | Palomino 1 & 2                  |
| 10:45 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  | Committee on Water                                     | Palomino 3                      |
| 11:45 a.m.–1:15 p.m.  | Commissioner Emeritus Lunch                            | Princess Salon C                |
| 11:45 a.m.–1:15 p.m.  | Commissioner Only Lunch                                | Princess Salon A & B            |
| 1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.   | Subcommittee on Pipeline Safety (Closed Meeting)       | Palomino 6 & 7                  |
| 1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.   | Staff Subcommittee on Pipeline Safety (Closed Meeting) | Palomino 6 & 7                  |
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| 2:45 p.m.–5:00 p.m.   | Subcommittee on Nuclear Issues—Waste Disposal          | Palomino 4 & 5                  |
| 3:45 p.m.–4:00 p.m.   | Networking Break                                       | Foyer                           |
| 2:45 p.m.–5:00 p.m.   | Subcommittee on Clean Coal and Carbon Management       | Palomino 4 & 5                  |

# **General Session**

# Like the Deserts Miss the Rain: Understanding the Energy-Water Nexus in the Desert

Attendees will hear how cities, utilities, and companies are taking action—both individually and collaboratively—to reduce groundwater use and increase clean energy use. Participants will explain lessons learned and describe best practices for managing the energy-water nexus in a desert environment. Attendees will understand opportunities for win-win utility-customer partnerships and collaboration while hearing more about water reuse, renewable energy, and energy efficiency.

Moderator: Hon. Ed Finley, North Carolina

Panelists: Hon. Tom Forese, Arizona

Joe Gysel, President, EPCOR Water USA

Barbara Lockwood, P.E., Vice President Regulation, APS

Kris Mayes, Professor of Practice, Utility Law and Policy, Director, Utility of the Future Center and Co-Director, Energy Policy Innovation Council, Arizona State University

Lori Singleton, President & CEO, Arizona Forward



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# **WEDNESDAY**

|   | 9:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m.  | Registration               |                   |
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|   | 10:15 a.m.–10:30 a.m. | Networking Break           | Foyer             |
|   | 10:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m. | General Session            | Princess Ballroom |
|   | 11:45 a.m2:00 p.m.    | Board of Directors Meeting | Princess A-C      |

### **General Sessions**

# **Regulatory Yoga: Are We Flexible Enough?**

The utility industry is transforming because of new technologies and evolving customer needs and expectations. Regulators and utilities are key in the efforts to maximize the value of new technology for customers. During this session, attendees will hear reasons why regulatory rules should adapt to quickly integrate technologies for the benefit of the public good and what can be done to ensure ongoing reliability of the nation's utility infrastructure. Challenges in keeping up with new technologies under the current regulatory process will be presented and why flexibility is necessary to assist customers in taking advantage of advancements. The reasons why this regulatory paradigm shift is critical to evolving utilities to the next level of service, efficiency, reliability, and resilience will be discussed.

Moderator: Hon. Asim Haque, Ohio

**Panelists:** Hon. Gladys Brown, Pennsylvania

Nicholas K. Akins, Chairman, President and CEO, American Electric Power

Christopher Franklin, Chairman, President and CEO, Aqua America

Kimberly Harris, President and CEO, Puget Sound Energy

John Wolfe, Senior Vice President & General Manager, Cox Communications

# Advocacy Update: There's Bite in Our Bark

Ours may not always be the loudest voice in the room—but when NARUC speaks on an issue, we get attention and results.

NARUC's advocacy goes hand-in-hand with our ability to educate and inform. Why is advocacy important? President Betkoski will explain why advocacy is an integral part of NARUC's mission.

We will also review NARUC's recent advocacy efforts and priorities for members.

NARUC leadership will share the current focus of committees—and why it matters. (Because they're never barking up the wrong tree!)

Moderator: Hon. Jack Betkoski, NARUC President



# **Future NARUC Meetings**

### 2018 NARUC Utility Rate School

Clearwater Beach, Florida October 22–26, 2018 Contact: Erin West (517) 355-1876 ipu@msu.edu

#### 2018 Annual Meeting and Education Conference

Orlando, Florida Loews Royal Pacific Orlando November 11–14, 2018 Contact: Michelle Malloy mamalloy@naruc.org

### **2019 Winter Policy Summit**

Washington, D.C. Renaissance Washington February 10–13, 2019 Contact: Michelle Malloy mamalloy@naruc.org

## 2019 Summer Policy Summit

Indianapolis, Indiana J.W. Marriott July 21–24, 2019 Contact: Michelle Malloy mamalloy@naruc.org

# 2019 Annual Meeting and Education Conference

San Antonio, Texas Grand Hyatt Hotel November 17–20, 2019 Contact: Michelle Malloy mamalloy@naruc.org

### 2020 Winter Policy Summit

Washington, D.C. Renaissance Washington February 9–12, 2020 Contact: Michelle Malloy mamalloy@naruc.org

### 2020 Summer Policy Summit

Boston, Massachusetts Sheraton Boston Hotel July 19–22, 2020 Contact: Michelle Malloy mamalloy@naruc.org

# 2020 Annual Meeting and

Education Conference Seattle, Washington Sheraton Seattle Hotel November 8-11, 2020 Contact: Michelle Malloy mamalloy@naruc.org

### **2021 Winter Policy Summit**

Washington, D.C. Renaissance Washington February 7–10, 2021 Contact: Michelle Malloy mamalloy@naruc.org

## 2021 Annual Meeting and

Education Conference Louisville, Kentucky Omni Hotel November 7-11, 2021 Contact: Michelle Malloy mamalloy@naruc.org

### **2022 Winter Policy Summit**

Washington, D.C. Renaissance Washington February 13-16, 2022 Contact: Michelle Malloy mamalloy@naruc.org

### 2023 Winter Policy Summit

Washington, D.C. Renaissance Washington February 12-15, 2023 Contact: Michelle Malloy mamalloy@naruc.org

### 2024 Winter Policy Summit

Washington, D.C. Renaissance Washington February 25-28, 2024 Contact: Michelle Malloy mamalloy@naruc.org

### **2025 Winter Policy Summit**

Washington, D.C. Renaissance Washington February 23-26, 2025 Contact: Michelle Malloy mamalloy@naruc.org

# On Behalf of Women Like Maama Tina, We Would Like To Say 'Thank You.'

Together with our partners at the U.S. Agency for International Development, NARUC International has developed "**The Practical Guide to Women in Energy Regulation**." The guide provides energy regulators with strategies to support gender equality and representation for women within the sector.

The document focuses on the inclusion of women in multiple facets of energy regulation, including employment, energy regulatory policy and energy infrastructure projects. This guidance is accompanied by examples from around the world and several case studies to explore strategies in practice.

The publication once again demonstrates the visionary leadership and enthusiastic support within the NARUC community for gender equity in energy regulation. With this new guide, we wish to say thank you for your support to further the lives of women around the world.

Again, thank you. We look forward to continuing our work together.



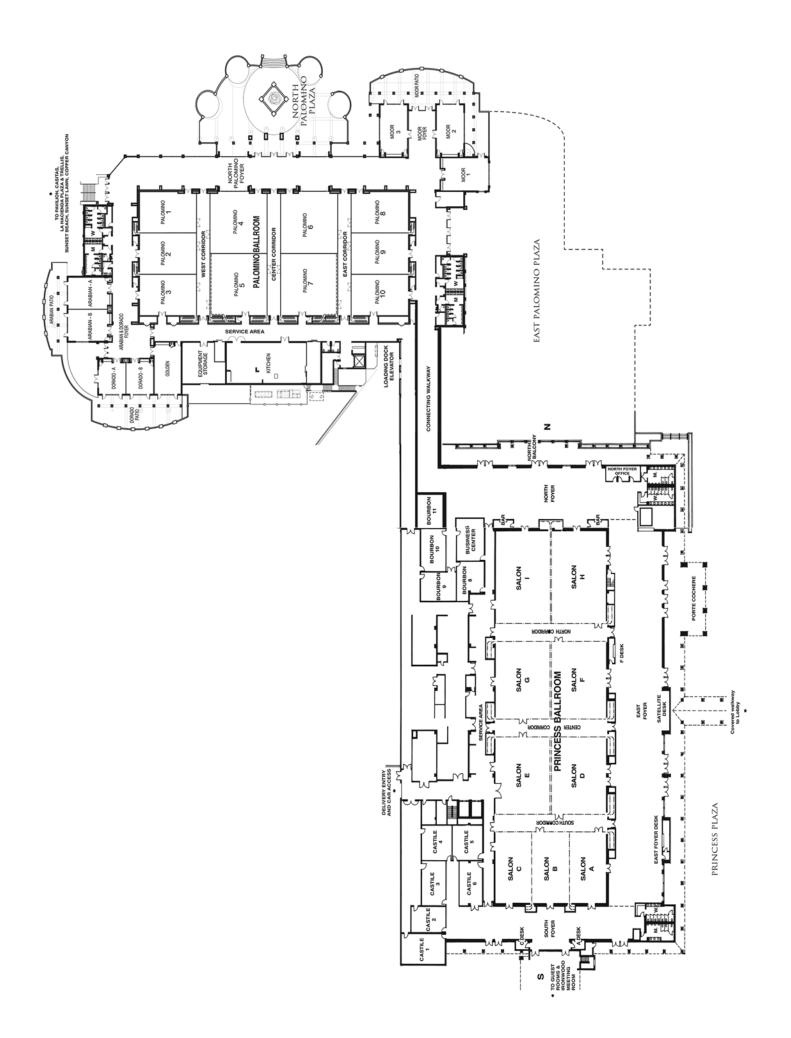
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