

Electricity Committee

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- Hon. Bernard McNamee, FERC
- Hon. Judith Jagdmann, Virginia

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Business Meeting

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Remarks by:

- James Robb, NERC
- Mike Howard, EPRI
- Greg White, NARUC
- Mark James, Assistant Professor of Vermont Law School
- Steve Hauser, GridWise Alliance



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OUR
POWER**

Mission

- Independent, not-for-profit organization – 501 (c) 3 and (c) 4 status
- Robust, highly-experienced Board of Directors, Staff and Advisory Panel from across relevant government, industry and private sectors
- Mission is to build consensus among government and industry to strengthen our electric grid against all potential attacks

Goals

- Define and prioritize Best Practices that need to be implemented in short- and long-term to make the electric grid more robust and resilient
- Identify the measures to ensure that improvements and upgrades are implemented with a sense of urgency
- Develop innovative proposals to fund improvements, including methods that incentivize utilities to accelerate making grid more resistant to disabling attacks

Leadership



Jim Cunningham

Executive Director

Fmr. President,
Pennsylvania Electric
Association



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Regulatory Counsel

Fmr. FERC
Commissioner



Paul Feldman

Technical Director

Fmr. Chairman,
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Government Relations

Fmr. President, NJ
Board of Public Utilities



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Chairman

Fmr. Corporate
Treasurer, Aetna



Laurence Moskowitz

Strategic Communications
Director

CEO, Lumentus

Institute for Energy and the Environment, Vermont Law School

- Provides accessible resources on contemporary energy law and policy with a focus on a cleaner and more resilient grid of the future.
- Distributes scholarly, technical, and practical publications; provides forums and conferences for professional education and issue development.
- Serves as a center for graduate research on energy issues, with environmental awareness.
- IEE research associates are selected from students in the energy and environmental programs at Vermont Law School
- Vermont Law School [Top-ranked](#) in the nation for environmental law.

Purpose of Research

- Identify a pathway, or model approach, for state electric utility commissions and their utilities to facilitate timely grid upgrades, identify appropriate financial structure for equitable cost-sharing
- Assess opportunities for state governments to advance grid security and resilience quickly by providing a framework for model state regulatory and legislative initiatives
- Develop streamlined approach that can be used in every state to incentivize utilities and assure complete recovery of costs for improving grid resiliency now
- Provide needed uniformity, help regulatory agencies make timely decisions on need and cost recovery for those upgrades

Key Areas of Focus



**Protecting Confidential
Information**



**Cost Considerations + Cost
Recovery Methods**



**Diversity of Distribution
Utilities**



**Resiliency
Metrics**



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NARUC  Winter
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Electric Vehicles: Getting a Move On!

**Joint Session with
the Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment**