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NARUC-NASEO Task Force on Comprehensive Electricity Planning Develops New Resource Library

WASHINGTON (January 7, 2020) — The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners and National Association of State Energy Officials Task Force on Comprehensive Electricity Planning has developed a new resource library, which includes presentations and recordings from the task force’s summer webinar series and dozens of resources that are relevant to comprehensive electricity planning. The resource library was announced was made recently at the NARUC Annual Meeting and Education Conference in San Antonio, Texas.

Task force members identified a set of key topic areas that would enable further education on issues related to comprehensive electricity planning.

With support from the U.S. Department of Energy, the Task Force was formed in November 2018 as a two-year collaborative initiative of NARUC and NASEO to provide a forum for participants from 12 to 15 states to examine key planning process intersections to test concepts, learn from national-caliber experts and outline policy and technical needs. Direct participants develop tools and roadmaps available to all NARUC and NASEO members to adapt and refine for use in their states. The task force provides a forum for the development of state-led pathways toward a more resilient, efficient and affordable grid.

The library is comprised of several topic areas ranging from data access to utility best practices for integrated planning.

“One of the goals of the resource library is to help educate our state utility regulators about evolving electricity planning processes,” said Co-Chair Jeffrey Ackermann, of the Colorado Public Utilities Commission. “This resource should greatly aid in aligning state energy planning efforts.”

“Commission and state energy office participants have been tasked to create innovative and visionary roadmaps using collaborative problem-solving methods,” said Co-Chair Laura Nelson, PhD, of the Utah Office of Energy Development. “This is a great starting point for accomplishing that goal.”

The library can be accessed online at www.naruc.org/taskforce/resources.

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