

# Northwestern University Electricity Dialogue

## ***Weather, Markets, and Reliability: Harmonizing the Gas and Electric Industries***

Thursday, October 5 — Friday, October 6, 2023

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law

Wieboldt Hall #347

339 E. Chicago Avenue

Chicago, IL 60611

### **Thursday, October 5, 2023**

11:00-12:30      **Registration, Informal Lunch, and Convening** (Wieboldt Hall #323)

12:30-1:15      **Welcome and Opening Remarks** (Wieboldt Hall #347)

#### **Opening Keynote Address: “*Harmonizing the Gas and Electric Industries: Why It Matters*”**

- **Introduction:** **Joseph K. Sullivan**, Vice Chair, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
- **Keynote Speaker:** **Susan F. Tierney**, Senior Advisor, Analysis Group

1:15-2:45      **Session One — Harmonizing the Gas and Electric Industries I**  
(Wieboldt Hall #347)

- **Moderator:** **Julie Fedorchak**, Commissioner, North Dakota Public Service Commission
- **Jonathan Booe**, Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer, North American Energy Standards Board
- **Renuka Chatterjee**, Vice President, Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO)
- **Robert W. Gee**, President, Gee Strategies Group, LLC

2:45-3:15      **Break** (Wieboldt Hall #323)

3:15-4:45                      **Session Two — Harmonizing the Gas and Electric Industries II**  
(Wieboldt Hall #347)

- **Moderator: Lori Cobos**, Commissioner, Public Utility Commission of Texas
- **John L. Haynes**, Chief Commercial Officer, Boardwalk Pipeline Partner, LP
- **Paul McGlynn**, Executive Director of System Ops, PJM Interconnection
- **Chris Moser**, Executive Vice President, Head of Competitive Markets and Policy, NRG
- **Benjamin J. Schoene**, Director, Regulatory Affairs, Commercial Gas and Power, ConocoPhillips Company

4:45-5:45                      **Networking Reception** (Wieboldt Hall #440)

5:45                              **Dinner** (Wieboldt Hall #540)

6:30-7:15                      ***Dinner Keynote Address: Power Markets and Regulation: Keys to Extending the Dialogue***

- **Introduction: Stacey Paradis**, Commissioner, Illinois Commerce Commission
- **Steve Piper**, Director of Energy Research, S&P Global Market Intelligence

### **Friday, October 6, 2023**

7:15-8:30                      **Continental Breakfast** (Wieboldt Hall #323)

8:30-8:45                      **Perspectives from the Illinois Commerce Commission**  
(Wieboldt Hall #347)

- **Doug Scott**, Chairman, Illinois Commerce Commission

8:45-10:15                      **Session Three — Reliability, Electrification, and Natural Gas: How Much Gas Would be Needed to Electrify Everything?**  
(Wieboldt Hall #347)

- **Moderator: Philip Bartlett, II**, Chairman, Maine Public Utilities Commission
- **Philip D. Moeller**, Executive Vice President, Business Operations Group and Regulatory Affairs, Edison Electric Institute (EEI)

- **John Moura**, Director, Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis, North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC)
- **Bruce Rew**, Senior Vice President, Operations, Southwest Power Pool
- **Samuel T. Walsh**, General Counsel, U.S. Department of Energy

10:15-10:30      **Break** (Wieboldt Hall #347)

10:30-12:00      **Session Four — State Regulators' Role: How Can (and should) State Regulators Help Harmonize the Gas and Electric Industries?** (Wieboldt Hall #347)

- **Moderator: Doug Scott**, Chairman, Illinois Commerce Commission
- **Diane Burman**, Commissioner, New York State Public Service Commission
- **Ann McCabe**, Commissioner, Illinois Commerce Commission
- **Floyd B. McKissick, Jr.**, Commissioner, North Carolina Utilities Commission
- **Sarah Steinberg**, Director, Advanced Energy United
- **Rebecca Cameron Valcq**, Chair, Wisconsin Public Service Commission

12:00              **Conclusion, Close & Lunch** (Wieboldt Hall #323)

**Confirmed Utility Commissioners (as of 10/6/2023):**

1. **Philip Bartlett, II**, Chairman, Maine Public Utilities Commission (*Panel Moderator*)
2. **Diane Burman**, Commissioner, New York State Public Service Commission (*Panelist*)
3. **Lori Cobos**, Commissioner, Public Utility Commission of Texas (*Panel Moderator*)
4. **Art Graham**, Commissioner, Florida Public Service Commission
5. **Julie Fedorchak**, Commissioner, North Dakota Public Service Commission (*Panel Moderator*)
6. **Karen M. Kemerait**, Commissioner, North Carolina Utilities Commission
7. **Ann McCabe**, Commissioner, Illinois Commerce Commission (*Panelist*)
8. **Floyd B. McKissick, Jr.**, Commissioner, North Carolina Utilities Commission
9. **Stacey Paradis**, Commissioner, Illinois Commerce Commission (*Keynote Introduction*)
10. **Conrad Reddick**, Commissioner, Illinois Commerce Commission

11. **Doug Scott**, Chairman, Illinois Commerce Commission
12. **Carleton B. Simpson**, Commissioner, New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
13. **Joseph K. Sullivan**, Vice Chair, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (*Keynote Introduction*)
14. **Emile C. Thompson**, Chairman, Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia
15. **Rebecca Cameron Valcq**, Chair, Wisconsin Public Service Commission (*Panelist*)

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**Confirmed Registrants (as of 10/6/2023):**

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31. **Stephen Bennett**, Manager, Regulatory & Legislative Affairs, PJM Interconnection, LLC
32. **Colin Byers**, Senior Campaign Coordinator, Union of Concerned Scientists
33. **Nathan Carrier**, Legal & Policy Advisor to Commissioner Conrad Reddick, Illinois Commerce Commission
34. **Tricia DeBleeckere**, External Affairs, MISO (Midcontinent Independent System Operator)
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37. **Edward Garvey**, Regulatory Strategist, AESL Consulting
38. **James Gignac**, Midwest Senior Policy Manager, Union of Concerned Scientists
39. **Mike Guerra**, VP External Affairs, Nicor Gas
40. **John Gunnells**, Senior Manager, State Affairs, American Gas Association
41. **Cassandra Hadwen**, Legal Advisor, Illinois Commerce Commission
42. **Ross Hemphill**, President, RCHemphill Solutions LLC

43. **Nick Hromalik**, Policy Advisor to Commissioner Ann McCabe, Illinois Commerce Commission
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58. **Preston Riewer**, Senior Resource Planner, Otter Tail Power
59. **Kristol Simms**, Vice President, Clean Energy Transition, Ameren Illinois
60. **Leonard Singh**, Chairman and President, Ameren Illinois
61. **Paul Sotkiewicz**, President, E-Cubed Policy Associates
62. **Justin Sperrazza**, Vice President of Commercial Operations, J-Power USA
63. **Brian Tulloh**, Executive Director, External Affairs, MISO (Midcontinent Independent System Operator)
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65. **Julie Ward**, Policy Advisor to Commissioner Conrad Reddick, Illinois Commerce Commission
66. **Rachelle Whitacre**, Director, Regulatory Affairs, Nicor Gas
67. **Mary Wierzbicki**, Director, Division of Energy Market Assessments, U.S. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)
68. **Scott Wright**, Executive Director, Resource Planning, MISO (Midcontinent Independent System Operator)
69. **Carrie Zalewski**, VP, Transmission and Markets, American Clean Power Association
70. **Ralph Zarumba**, President, Nexus Economics LLC

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