

Illinois Smart Grid Policy Forum:
Measuring Progress and Charting Directions

*Chicago, Illinois
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Scope and Purpose: The Illinois Smart Grid Policy Forum has been created to encourage open discussion among stakeholders, policymakers, and other interested parties concerning the development of smart grid in Illinois. Smart grid investments are made to achieve a variety of goals including improved service reliability, direct and indirect cost savings for consumers, and to achieve boarder public policy goals such as integration of local generation and the promotion of smart energy usage. The agenda for this initial meeting provides time for both formal presentations and moderated discussion to encourage interaction between participants.

Conference Location: Hermann Hall Ballroom, Illinois Institute of Technology, 3241 S. Federal Street, Chicago, Illinois. A two-way video link will be available at Brookens Library Room 141A, University of Illinois Springfield, One University Plaza, Springfield, Illinois.

Who should attend? This policy forum is open to all stakeholders with an interest in smart grid policy development in Illinois.

Registration: To register please visit: https://edocs.uis.edu/Departments/CBR/ISGPF/Nov13/ISGPF_1113.htm or email us at cbr@uis.edu

Registration Fees: This policy forum is free but registration is required. Lunch will be provided at the Chicago location.

Cancellations: Please contact the Center for Business and Regulation at cbr@uis.edu or **217.206.7909** to cancel a registration. Substitutes are encouraged and will be accepted at any time prior to November 4, 2013 by contacting CBR.

Accommodations: Participants are responsible for their own accommodations.

For more information please visit the Illinois Smart Grid Policy Forum web site: <https://edocs.uis.edu/Departments/CBR/ISGPF/ISGPF.htm>

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8:00 am Registration

8:30 am Welcome

Kathy Tholin, CEO
Center for Neighborhood Technology

8:45 am Introduction

Hon. Ann McCabe, Commissioner
Illinois Commerce Commission

9:00 am Keynote Address

Richard Sedano, Principal and US Programs Director
Regulatory Assistance Project

9:30 am:

Session 1: Smart Grid Investment and Job Growth: Concerns and Opportunities

- How is smart grid investment promoting job growth?
- What opportunities exist for grid investment to spur economic growth?
- What obstacles remain to achieving these results?

Introduction:

Jeffrey Orcutt, Policy Advisor to Commissioner del Valle
Illinois Commerce Commission

Moderator:

Mark Harris, President and CEO
Illinois Science and Technology Coalition

Panelists:

Mohammad Shahidehpour, Director,
Galvin Center for Electricity Innovation, Illinois Institute of Technology

Larry Ivory, President
Illinois Black Chamber of Commerce

Sara Hochman, Managing Director
Energy Foundry

Terry McGoldrick, Senior Vice President
IBEW, Local 15

10:45 am: Morning Break

11:00 am:

Session 2: Consumer Benefits and Smart Grid Investment

- How are consumers benefiting from smart grid investment?
- How can those benefits be measured over time?
- What changes to the approach for overseeing smart grid investment are needed to assure future benefits for consumers?

Introduction:

Hon. Sherina Maye, Commissioner
Illinois Commerce Commission

Moderator:

Richard Sedano, Principal and US Programs Director
Regulatory Assistance Project

Panelists:

David Kolata, Executive Director
Illinois Citizens Utility Board

Patty Durand, Executive Director
Smart Grid Consumer Collaborative

Anne McKibbin, Policy Director
CNT Energy

Todd Williams, Managing Director
Navigant Consulting

Lunch (12:45pm– 2pm)

Luncheon Speaker

Val Jensen, Senior Vice-President, Customer Operations
Commonwealth Edison Company

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2:00 pm:

Session 3: Local Response to Climate Change and the Value of Smart Grid

- How can smart grid be used locally to address climate change?
- What practical policy changes are needed to promote climate change solutions with respect to smart grid?

- Should state and local policies be coordinated? If so, how?

Introduction:

Nicole Luckey, Legal and Policy Advisor to Chairman Scott
Illinois Commerce Commission

Moderator:

Robert Lieberman, Principal
Regulatory Assistance Project

Panelists:

Deborah Stone, Chief Sustainability Officer
Cook County

Jack Darin, Director
Illinois Sierra Club

K.C. Doyle, Sustainability Manager
Village of Oak Park

3:15 pm:

Session 4: Summary, Roundtable, and Next Steps

- Summary of the day's discussion
- What are the issues, barriers, and policies that need further exploration?
- Audience Participation

Introduction:

Hon. John Colgan, Commissioner
Illinois Commerce Commission

Moderator-Springfield:

Karl McDermott, Director
Center for Business and Regulation

Moderator-Chicago:

Carl Peterson, Faculty
Center for Business and Regulation

Panelists:

David Kolata, Executive Director
Illinois Citizens Utility Board

Jonathan Feipel, Executive Director
Illinois Commerce Commission

4:00 pm: Adjourn