



Americans for a
Clean Energy Grid



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Gulf Coast Electricity Transmission Summit

October 16, 2014

Tulane University
Gauthier Moot Court Room
Room 110, Weinman Hall
6329 Freret St.
New Orleans, Louisiana 70118

This event is free of charge and lunch will be provided.

[Please click here to register.](#)

- 8:15 am** **Registration and Coffee**
- 8:45 am** **Welcoming Remarks**
- Americans for a Clean Energy Grid & Co-sponsors
- 9:00 am** **Morning Keynote Addresses: State and National Transmission Issues**
- Eric Skrmetta, Commissioner, District 1, Louisiana Public Service Commission
 - Daniel Adamson, General Counsel, U.S. Senate Energy & Natural Resources Committee, chaired by Senator Mary Landrieu
- 10:00 am** **Modernizing and Integrating the Grid as an Investment for the Gulf Coast Region**
- Moderator: David Hammer, Investigative Reporter, WWL-TV
- Casey DeMoss Roberts, CEO, Alliance for Affordable Energy
 - Troy Heytens, Director, Capital Projects & Technology, Entergy
 - Cary Kottler, Executive Vice President, Clean Line Energy Partners
 - James Hoecker, former Chair of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; Senior Counsel & Energy Strategist, WIRES Group
- 11:15 am** **Electricity Economics: is Clean Energy *also* Affordable Energy?**
- Moderator: Pam Russell, Editor, CQ Roll Call Group
- Jeff Cantin, Secretary, Gulf States Renewable Energy Industries Association
 - Andrew Owens, Director, Regulatory Policy, Entergy
 - Simon Mahan, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy

- 12:30 pm** **Lunch Keynote: What the Gulf Coast Can Learn from Regional Experience Elsewhere**
- Curt Hébert, former Chair of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; Co-Chair, Bipartisan Policy Center Project on Grid Modernization; Member, Brunini, Grantham, Grower & Hewes PLLC
- 2:00 pm** **Keeping the Lights On: Improving Electric Reliability and Disaster Resiliency Using Distributed Resources *and* Improved Transmission**
- Moderator: Ladeene Freimuth, Americans for a Clean Energy Grid
- Tim Aliff, Director, Resource Interconnection & Planning, MISO
 - Amy L. Stein, Associate Professor of Law, University of Florida Levin College of Law
 - Matthew Hutchison, Vice President, Business Development, CTC Global
- 3:00 pm** **New EPA Emissions Rules: The Potential Role of Transmission in Regional Compliance**
- Moderator: Emily Holden, Freelance Journalist
- Peter Nance, Principal, Energy & Aviation Markets Division, ICF International
 - Brian Johnson, Project Manager, American Electric Power
 - Rob Lawrence, Energy Issues Policy Advisor Region 6, EPA
 - Jameson Smith, Director, Policy Studies, MISO
- 4:00 pm** **Wrap-Up Commentary**
- Forest Bradley Wright, Energy Policy Activist
 - Eric Smith, Professor, Tulane Energy Institute
- 4:30 pm** **Final Remarks and Adjournment**
- John Jimison, Americans for a Clean Energy Grid
 - Bill White, Americans for a Clean Energy Grid