

Americans for a Clean Energy Grid (ACEG) brings together a diverse set of stakeholders, including customers, renewable resource developers, labor advocates, traditional utilities, environmental groups, and merchant transmission developers. Together, we advocate for policies to build out the interstate high-capacity electric power network.

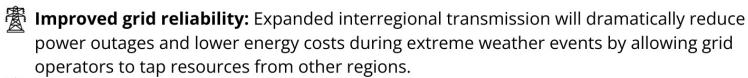
A reliable transmission grid is the backbone of a strong electricity system and a healthy economy. Smart state and federal policies that improve how the grid is developed, planned, and paid for will help create a more cost-effective, robust, reliable, and secure network that supports expansion of clean energy, competitive power markets, and consumer benefits.

#### **Our Work**

Since 2008, ACEG has educated lawmakers, regulators, advocates, and others about the benefits of a clean energy grid and the challenges we must overcome to maintain, upgrade, and expand it.

- **Groundbreaking Analysis:** ACEG and its partners develop and commission analyses that examine the benefits of and barriers to a modernized grid.
- **Engaging Policymakers:** ACEG takes an active role in educating lawmakers and the administration, advocating for smart transmission policies.
- **Proactive Education:** ACEG hosts frequent webinars and organizes meetings with community groups to explore transmission benefits and the roadblocks to building needed transmission.

## **Transmission and America's Future**



- **Supporting our energy demands:** With low-cost, clean energy sources often located in remote areas, every path to 100% clean energy requires increased transmission. Without it, local power plants will need to produce more energy to meet growing electricity demand.
- **Lower electric bills:** Investing in transmission lowers electricity production costs, decreases energy losses and congestion, increases reliability, and encourages competition all of which lowers customers' electricity bills.
- Improved health: More transmission can reduce pollution by allowing cleaner resources to connect to the grid. The emissions from fossil fuel generation are associated with serious health consequences, and many of these plants are located near marginalized communities.
- American jobs: Investing in transmission can spur the creation of millions of new jobs, increasing electric sector employment more than five-fold by 2050.

# **ACEG Policy Priorities**

- Siting: ACEG supports streamlining the transmission siting process to reduce the time needed to build transmission infrastructure.
- **Permitting:** ACEG supports improving the transmission permitting process without unduly weakening environmental or community protections.
- Planning: ACEG supports improved regional and interregional planning to develop highcapacity transmission lines to most cost-effectively increase reliability and resilience.
- **Cost Allocation:** ACEG supports broad cost allocation that accounts for the economic and reliability benefits of transmission lines.

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