

The RPS Collaborative

2016 National Summit on RPS

November 30 - December 1

The Dupont Circle Hotel
1500 New Hampshire Ave. NW
Washington, DC



AGENDA

Day One - November 30

The Dupont Circle Hotel, Dupont Ballroom A – Ground Floor

9:00-9:30 am Registration and Continental Breakfast – Foxhall Ballroom

9:30 am Welcome and Overview of the RPS Summit – Dupont Ballroom

- Matthew Rosenbaum, Director of Technical Assistance, Transmission Permitting and Technical Assistance Division, U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)
- Warren Leon, Executive Director, Clean Energy States Alliance (CESA)

10:00 am SESSION ONE

RPS Trends

A presentation on the overall status of RPSs around the country and observations about general trends, followed by discussion.

Presenter:

- Galen Barbose, Research Scientist, Electricity Markets and Policy Group, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL)

11:00 am Break – Break served in the Foxhall Ballroom

11:15 am

SESSION TWO

The Impact of Energy and Electricity System Trends on RPS Implementation

A series of short presentation on natural gas supply/costs, grid modernization, and utility planning for increased distributed generation, and what they mean for renewable energy development and RPS compliance.

Presenters:

- Lori Bird, Principal Analyst, Market and Policy Impact Analysis Group, National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL)
 - Tanuj Deora, Chief Strategy Officer, Smart Electric Power Alliance
 - Kevin Petak, Vice President, Fuel Markets Analysis, ICF
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12:30 pm

Lunch – Lunch served in the Foxhall Ballroom

1:30 pm

SESSION THREE

Small Group Discussions for Networking and to Address RPS Topics of Special Interest

Participants will divide into four groups for discussions focused on specific technologies and RPS compliance issues. Topics will include

- REC tracking and tracking systems
 - Renewable thermal in RPSs
 - SREC markets
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2:30 pm

SESSION FOUR

Update on the Second Installment of the U.S. DOE Quadrennial Energy Review

The second installment of this major national study will provide a comprehensive review of the nation’s electricity system, from generation to end use, with special emphasis on electricity transmission, storage, and distribution infrastructure. A presentation will describe the status of this effort.

Presenter:

- Karen G. Wayland, Senior Advisor for Domestic Energy Policy, Office of the Deputy Secretary, DOE
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3:00 pm

Break – Break served in the Foxhall Ballroom

3:15 pm **SESSION FIVE**

Prospective RPS Benefits, Costs, and Impacts

The National Renewable Energy Laboratory and Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory will present draft findings from a forthcoming report looking at the likely future benefits, costs, and impacts of state RPSs.

Presenter:

- Jenny Heeter, Energy Analyst, Market and Policy Impact Analysis Group, NREL

4:15 pm **Break**

4:30 pm **SESSION SIX**

A Preview of the Coming Year in Clean Energy

A panel discussion looking at some of the economic, policy, and technology developments that could influence RPSs in 2017.

Moderator: Warren Leon, CESA

Presenters:

- Gavin Bade, Editor, Utility Dive
- Ryan Wisser, Senior Scientist, Electricity Markets and Policy Group, LBNL
- Alden Meyer, Director of Strategy and Policy, Union of Concerned Scientists

5:45 pm **ADJOURN**

6:00 - 7:30 pm **NETWORKING RECEPTION – Glover Park Ballroom – Ground Floor**

Hors d'oeuvres served; cash bar

Dinner on your own

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Day Two - December 1

Glover Park Ballroom A – Ground Floor – Dupont Circle Hotel

(Day Two sessions are open only to representatives from state agencies and the federal government)

8:00-9:00 am Breakfast on your own.

9:00 am **SESSION ONE – Glover Park Ballroom A**

RPS Developments and Best Practices

This session will feature presentations on recent developments and best practices.

Presenters:

- Doreen Harris, Program Manager, New York State Energy Research and Development Authority: “The New York Clean Energy Standard”
 - Kaitlin Kelly, RPS Program Coordinator, Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources: “Post-Carve-Out PV Incentives”
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9:45 am **SESSION TWO**

Implications of States Reaching their Terminal RPS Target

A discussion of states’ options when they reach their final RPS target and what it can mean for other nearby states when an RPS reaches that target.

Moderator: Warren Leon, CESA

Panelists:

- Edward Holt, Ed Holt & Associates
 - Katie Trachsel, MIRECS Program Manager, Michigan Public Service Commission
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10:45 am **Break**

11:00 am **SESSION THREE**

The Process and Challenges of Expanding and Extending RPSs

This will be a panel discussion with representatives of states that have recently increased their RPS targets and extended their RPS further into the future.

Panelists:

- Emily Chisholm, RPS Compliance Lead, California Energy Commission
- Linda George, Senior Legal Attorney, Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources

- Rebecca Smith, Senior Energy Policy Analyst, Oregon Department of Energy
 - Edward Yim, Associate Director, Energy Administration - Policy and Compliance Division, DC Department of Energy & Environment
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12:15 pm **Lunch – Café Dupont, Ground Floor**

1:15 pm **SESSION FOUR**

Small Group Discussions of RPS Issues

The state representatives who register for the conference will be asked to suggest possible topics for small group discussions. Topics may include regional alignment of state RPSs and reconciling a state’s RPS compliance load with data kept by the regional ISO. The groups will also discuss possible topics that the RPS Collaborative could consider for analysis or webinars on during the coming year.

2:30 pm **Break**

2:45 pm **SESSION FIVE**

What RPS Program Managers Should Know about Energy Storage

Energy storage technology and policy is changing rapidly. This session will explore how energy storage is evolving and what that could mean for renewable energy development and state RPSs.

Presenters:

- Imre Gyuk, Energy Storage Program Manager, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, DOE
 - Ed Toppi, Vice President of Integrated Solutions, Customized Energy Solutions
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4:00 pm **ADJOURN**

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Dupont Circle Metro Station

The Dupont Circle metro station is conveniently located next to the hotel. **This metro station services the Red line.**



Floor Plan at Dupont Circle Hotel
– Ground Floor

