

State-Federal RPS Collaborative
National Summit on RPS
November 6-7, 2013

Hilton Crystal City
2399 JEFFERSON DAVIS HIGHWAY
ARLINGTON, VA
Plaza Level – Madison

AGENDA



Wednesday, November 6, 2013

8:00-9 am *Registration and Continental Breakfast – Madison Foyer, Lobby Level*

9:00 am **Welcome and Overview of the Summit**

Madison – Plaza Level

- Larry Mansueti, Director for State and Regional Assistance, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, U.S. Department of Energy
 - Warren Leon, Executive Director, Clean Energy States Alliance
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9:15

SESSION ONE
RPS Trends

This session will feature two presentations—the first on the overall status of RPSs around the country and observations about general trends, and the second will focus on developments in legislative efforts in 2013, or potentially in 2014, to either strengthen or weaken state RPSs.

Presenters:

- Galen Barbose, Staff Research Associate, Electricity Markets and Policy Group, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
- Justin Barnes, Senior Policy Analyst, Keyes, Fox, & Wiedman LLP

10:30 **Break – Madison Foyer, Lobby Level**

10:45 **SESSION TWO**
REC Tracking and Tracking Systems: A Roundtable Discussion

This panel will include a range of perspectives on recent experiences and issues with REC Tracking and Tracking Systems.

Moderator:

- Warren Leon, Executive Director, CESA

Panelists:

- Paul Belval, Assistant Secretary, New England Power Pool (NEPOOL)
- Mary Frantz, Senior Policy Analyst, Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System (WREGIS)
- Amy Fredregill, Executive Director, Midwest Renewable Energy Tracking System, Inc. (M-RETS)
- Michele Goyette, Project Manager for RPS Solicitations, New York State Research and Development Authority
- Lars Kvale, Head of Environmental Markets, APX
- Jaclynn Lukach, Vice President, PJM Environmental Information Services

12:00 pm **Lunch**
Crystal Ballroom – Plaza Level

1:00 **SESSION THREE** (*Madison – Plaza Level*)
**Outlook for Renewable Energy Technologies:
Technology and Cost Projections**

This session will look at several technologies, but with a special emphasis on wind and solar

Moderator:

- Lori Bird, Senior Analyst, Market and Policy Impact Analysis Group, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

Presenters:

- David Feldman, Senior Financial Analyst, Strategic Energy Analysis Center, National Renewable Energy Laboratory
- Ryan Wiser, Staff Scientist and Deputy Group Leader, Electricity Markets and Policy Group, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

2:30 Networking Break – Madison Foyer, Lobby Level

3:00 pm **SESSION FOUR (*Madison, Lobby Level*)**

U.S. Department of Energy’s Work with the States

Secretary Ernie Moniz is placing increased emphasis on outreach to the states and collaboration with the states. This panel will look at the new initiatives from DOE.

Presenters:

- Karen Wayland, Deputy Director for State and Local Cooperation, Office of Energy Policy and Systems Analysis, U.S. Department of Energy
- Michelle Wyman, Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, U.S. Department of Energy

4:00 **SESSION FIVE**
Issues with Solar in RPSs: A Panel Discussion

Topics to be covered will include:

- Lessons learned so far from solar carve-outs
- Policy interactions between RPSs, net metering, and other solar policies
- REC ownership for net metered systems
- Whether utilities can claim DG solar for RPS compliance.

Panelists:

- Christopher Berendt, Head, Environmental Markets Team, Drinker Biddle & Reath, LLP
- Michael Judge, Associate RPS Program Manager, Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources
- Jennifer Martin, Executive Director, Center for Resource Solutions
- Rick Umoff, Counsel and Regulatory Affairs Manager of State Affairs, Solar Energy Industries Association

5:30 -7:30 **SUMMIT NETWORKING RECEPTION – Crystal Ballroom, Plaza Level**
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Thursday, November 7, 2013

(Thursday's sessions are open only to representatives from states and the federal government)

Hilton Crystal City – Madison – Plaza Level

8:00-9 am **Breakfast Buffet – Crystal Ballroom - Plaza Level**

9:00 am **SESSION ONE** (Madison, Lobby Level)

RPS Innovations and Best Practices

This session will feature presentations from several states on recent innovations and best practices.

Moderator

- Jenny Heeter, Energy Analyst, Strategic Energy Analysis Center, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

Presenters:

- Christine Battiste, Energy Policy Analyst, Michigan Public Service Commission
 - Elizabeth Nixon, Energy Analyst, New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
 - Julie Peacock, WREGIS Program Administrator for Oregon, Oregon Department of Energy
 - Veronica Rocha, Renewable Energy Branch Chief, Hawaii State Energy Office
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10:30 **Break**

10:45 **SESSION TWO**

Energy Storage and RPS

Topics to be covered will include:

- Energy storage technology and cost trends
- What states are doing to advance energy storage
- The advantages and disadvantages of including storage in an RPS, and possible approaches for doing so

Presenters:

- Ed Holt, President, Ed Holt & Associates
 - Todd Olinsky-Paul, Project Director, Clean Energy States Alliance
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12:00pm **Lunch**
Crystal Ballroom – Plaza Level

1:00 **SESSION THREE** (*Madison, Lobby Level*)

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. Possibilities include:

- Offshore wind
- REC tracking issues
- RPS/net metering issues

2:00 **SESSION FOUR**

Reports from Small Groups

2:30 **Break**

2:45 **SESSION FIVE**

Commerce Clause Challenges to RPSs and Possible Near-term Developments

Presenter:

- Carolyn Elefant, Law Offices of Carolyn Elefant

3:30 **SESSION SIX**

Discussion of Next Steps for the RPS Collaborative

- We will discuss possibilities and solicit input from attendees.

4:00 **ADJOURN**

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