

MACRUC

Mid-Atlantic Conference of Regulatory Utilities Commissioners

Policy, Process, and People

26th Annual Education Conference

This will be a hybrid event. The live portion will be at Nemaocolin Woods in Farmington, Pennsylvania.

Draft Agenda as of Tuesday, April 27, 2021

Sunday, June 27th, 2021

4:00 – 6:00 pm

Registration for on-site attendees

5:00 – 6:00 pm

Welcome Reception for on-site attendees

Grand Ballroom

Monday, June 28th, 2021

9:00 – 9:50 am

Join MACRUC President Willie Phillips of DC
for the kick-off the MACRUC

26th Annual Education Conference:

Policy, Process and People

Followed by

MACRUC & FERC 2021: Policies in Perfect Harmony

Attendees will decide the session topics LIVE by voting for

- Order 2222
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- Resource Adequacy
 - Minimum Offer Price Rule (MOPR)

This fast paced session will be moderated by the Hon. Jehmal Hudson, VA, along with some surprise guests from the audience!

9:50 – 10:20 am Networking Break (more information to come)

10:20 – 11:10 am **COVID 19 Impact to Commissions and Utilities in the MACRUC Region**

Moderator: Hon. Willie Phillips, District of Columbia

11:10 – 11:30 am Networking Break (more information to come)

11:30 – 12:10 pm **The Challenges of Interstate and Interregional Transmission- A Balancing Act**

This session will cover the following topics:

- How RTOs oversee interregional coordination among states with different decarbonization standards
- The MAPP project- what happened?
- PJM's Regional Transmission Plan (RTEP)- Addressing states' public policy objectives
- Environmental impacts of new transmission lines

Moderator: Hon. Kim Drexler, Delaware

12:10 – 12:30 pm Networking Break

12:15 – 12:25pm Virtual Break Ten Minute Topic :
Tariff Primer on Depreciation: Hon. Judy Jagdmann

12:30 – 1:15 pm **State of the MACRUC States**

1:15 pm **Adjourn**

2:00 pm

***Networking Opportunities for onsite attendees.
Information will be posted to website soon.***

Tuesday, June 29th, 2021

9:00 – 10:20 am

**New Administration & Regulations impacting
MACRUC Commissions and Utilities**

Co- Moderators:

Hon. Beth Trombold, Ohio

Hon. Talina Matthews, Kentucky

10:20 – 10:40 am

Networking Break (more information to come)

10:40 – 11:10 am

***The Live and Virtual sessions will be available for
in-person and online audiences.***

***From the
Live Stage***

Offshore Wind Issues in the MACRUC Region

Moderated by Hon. Harold Gray, Delaware

Participant:

Hon. Mindy Herman, Maryland

***From the
Virtual Stage***

**Creative Solutions Created by Covid: Broadband bands
with electricity to provide essential services to**

underserved areas in

MACRUC:

A Look at the Virginias

High-speed broadband service is quickly becoming a necessity for everyday life - from telehealth to enabling remote learning and working. Virginia and West Virginia have empowered electric companies to provide broadband directly to their customers or provide services that dramatically lower the cost to connect rural customers. How did policymakers do this, and how is it going? Come hear how the Virginias are leading.

Moderators:

Hon. Judith Jagdmann, Virginia

Hon. Charlotte Lane, West Virginia

11:10 – 11:30 am **Networking Break (more information to come)**

11:30 – 12:00 pm

**From the
Live Stage**

Water Acoustic Testing

Moderator: Hon. Mary-Anna Holden, New Jersey

**From the
Virtual Stage**

Here Comes the Sun... in PA

The Pennsylvania government recently announced its entrance into a solar power purchase agreement, the largest solar PPA for any government entity in the country. The 191 MW agreement will result in approximately 50% of the state's government building load being powered by newly constructed solar facilities within Pennsylvania. This virtual panel will detail the particulars of this PPA and examine the role that state government operations can play as large electricity buyers.

Moderator: Hon. Gladys Brown Dutrieuille, Pennsylvania

Participants:

Gregory R Knerr, Commodity Manager, Pennsylvania Department of
General Services

Geoff Bristow, Regional Energy Program Manager, Pennsylvania
Department of Environmental Protection

Mark Szybist, Senior Attorney & Advocate, National Resources
Defense Council

12:00 – 12:10 pm Networking Break (more information to come)

12:10 – 1:00 pm

**From the Live
Stage**

Confidentiality: Strength and Scope of the Duty

This interactive program uses hypotheticals to explore one of our profession's core duties -- maintaining client confidences. Among other things, the program will address: the strength of the duty; the source, timing and content of information lawyers must keep confidential (for instance, does the duty cover information in the public record, or the disclosure of which would not harm the client?); comparison with the attorney-client privilege; when the confidentiality duty begins (in the context of unsolicited emails and interviews with prospective clients); when the duty ends; what steps lawyers must take to protect client confidences, especially in the context of electronic communications.

Instruction by Tom Spahn, McGuireWoods LLP

**From the
Virtual Stage**

Topic - TBD

1:00 pm

Adjourn

7:00 – 8:45 pm

Installation Dinner

Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Wednesday, June 30, 2021

9:30 – 11:00 am **Strengthening State & Federal Regulatory Relationships: What Will It Take?**

Serving and protecting the public interest during a political and environmental transition should be a priority for all energy regulators. However, despite common interests and shared expectations in advancing policy objectives, the lack of formal channels to communicate openly can hinder the free exchange of information. This panel will explore ways to bridge the state-federal jurisdictional divide and develop forums where pressing policy issues can be discussed in a way that improves coordination and understanding across these jurisdictional lines.

Moderator: Hon. Jason Stanek, Maryland

Participants:

Hon. Neil Chatterjee, FERC
