

Schedule

The Final Clean Power Plan: Understanding the Options for the Midcontinent

Monday, October 19, 2015 ■ Statehouse Convention Center ■ Little Rock, Arkansas

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8:30 am Welcome Remarks

- **Becky Keogh**, Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality

8:45 am Morning Keynote

- **Hon. Colette D. Honorable**, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

9:15 am PANEL I: Evaluating the Model Rules

EPA has proposed model rules for two implementation pathways—a rate-based trading approach and a mass-based trading approach. This panel will discuss the model rules, whether they are a good fit for the Midcontinent states, what changes might be needed before finalizing the model rules, and threshold questions for states such as rate vs. mass approaches.

MODERATOR

- **Nancy Lange**, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

PANELISTS

- **Andy Kellen**, WPPI Energy
- **Scott Weaver**, American Electric Power
- **Pam Kiely**, Environmental Defense Fund
- **Sandra Byrd**, Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation

10:45 am Break

11:00 am PANEL II: Wholesale Market and Retail Impacts

Different implementation pathways and other Clean Power Plan design options (such as allowance allocation) are likely to have different impacts on wholesale markets and retail rates. This panel will examine how these choices might affect wholesale electricity market operations, prices, and retail rates.

MODERATOR

- **Ted Thomas**, Arkansas Public Service Commission
- **Kari Evans Bennett**, Midcontinent Independent System Operator
- **Paul Sotkiewicz**, PJM Interconnection
- **Jennifer Macedonia**, Bipartisan Policy Center

12:30 pm Lunch

1:15 pm PANEL III: Impact of Pathways and Design Options on GHG Reduction Strategies

Utilities and other stakeholders might develop different greenhouse gas reduction strategies in response to different implementation pathways and design options. This panel will explore how various approaches to implementing the Clean Power Plan could affect incentives for investment in renewables, end-use energy efficiency, natural gas, nuclear, and carbon capture utilization and storage.

MODERATOR

- **Vince Hellwig**, Michigan Agency for Energy

PANELISTS

- **Roxanne Brown**, United Steelworkers
- **Nathaniel Baer**, Iowa Environmental Council
- **Derek Furstenwerth**, Calpine Corporation

2:45 pm Closing Remarks

- **Doug Scott**, Great Plains Institute

3:15 pm Adjourn



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