

*Sunday, Jan. 22, 2012*

*All conference sessions will take place in Lone Star Ballroom C, Level 2*

**12:30 – 5:00 p.m. Badge pickup/registration**

*Lone Star Ballroom lobby, Level 2*

**1:30 – 3:00 p.m. How to Select and Finance Smart Grid Distribution Technology**

Many distribution utilities are investing time, money and manpower on distribution system automation, creating smart grids that will improve reliability and efficiency. The utility executives on this panel will discuss managing and leveraging technologies to get the best return on investment. They will provide insight on business issues and cost justification, regulatory considerations and approvals, new technology integration with legacy systems and much more. They will share their experiences, lessons learned and best practices.

**Moderator:** Scott Sidney, *managing consultant, PA Consulting Group*

**Panelists:** David Daly, *vice president, asset management centralized services, Public Service Electric & Gas*

William “Bill” Menge, *director, smart grid, Kansas City Power & Light Co.*

Robert “Rob” Stewart, *manager, technology evaluation and implementation, asset management group, PHI Power Delivery*

Mark Wyatt, *vice president, smart grid and energy systems, Duke Energy Corp.*

**3:00 – 3:15 p.m. Break**

**3:15 – 4:00 p.m. Technology Trends That Will Change the Future**

Technology is changing quickly and utility executives must understand how the latest technology can impact business decisions and processes. William “Bill” Briggs, Deloitte Consulting’s deputy chief technology officer, will share new ways utility execs can apply technology to manage their most pressing challenges. Briggs will cover trends such as convergence of cloud, social and mobile computing, analytics and cyber. He will discuss how these trends are changing the way information is accessed and used in business operations and decision-making.

**Speaker:** Bill Briggs, *director, deputy chief technology officer, Deloitte Consulting LLP*

## 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. **Opening Keynote Session**



Todd Buchholz, *U.S. economist and best-selling author*

A former director of economic policy at the White House, managing director of the \$15 billion Tiger hedge fund, and award-winning Harvard economics teacher, Todd Buchholz has advised President George Bush and is a frequent commentator on ABC News, PBS and CBS and recently hosted his own special on CNBC. Buchholz has debated such luminaries as Lester Thurow and Nobel Laureate Joseph Stiglitz. He is co-founder and managing director of Two Oceans Management LLC and was a fellow at Cambridge University in 2009. His newest book, “Rush: Why You Need and Love the Rat Race,” has been named a top 10 book for 2011 by Publishers Weekly.

## 5:00 – 5:30 p.m. **Break**

## 5:30 p.m. **Shuttle service from Grand Hyatt lobby for dinner**

## 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. **Awards Dinner at Boudro’s**

Join us for an evening of cocktails, music and dinner at Boudro’s while networking with colleagues, our Utility of the Year and our CEOs of the year. Editor in Chief Teresa Hansen will present *Electric Light & Power* magazine’s 2011 awards to:

OG&E Chairman, President and CEO Peter B. Delaney for Utility of the Year.

Wisconsin Energy Corp. Chairman, President and CEO Gale E. Klappa for Large Utility CEO of the Year.

Dawson Public Power District General Manager Robert “Bob” A. Heinz for Small Utility of the Year.

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**7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast**

*Lone Star Ballroom B, Level 2*

**8:30 – 10:00 a.m. We Brought Renewables to the Grid – Here's How**

Variable energy is quickly gaining in the U.S. energy supply portfolio. What does that mean for utilities and grid operators working to maintain reliability? Are grid operators' concerns about system reliability warranted, or are they exaggerated like many developers claim? This panel will discuss concerns and challenges associated with integrating large amounts of variable generation into the grid. Dr. Lawrence Jones, primary researcher on a recent DOE report, will present insights from the 33 grid operators in 18 countries he interviewed. Other panelists will provide insight on grid operation issues and best practices, financial and regulatory issues involved in building large-scale renewable energy facilities and what technologies work best when integrating large amounts of variable power.

**Panelists:** Tanya Bodell, *managing director, Electricity Consulting Group, FTI Consulting (Moderator)*  
Dr. Lawrence Jones, *vice president for regulatory affairs, policy and industry relations, North America, ALSTOM Grid*  
Clair Moeller, *vice president of transmission asset management, Midwest Independent System Operator*

**10:00 – 10:30 a.m. Break**

**10:30 a.m. – noon Execs Who've Installed Smart Meters: Do This, Not That**

Smart meter projects have moved beyond pilots to full implementation at many utilities. A recent Institute for Electric Efficiency (IEE) survey shows that more than one in five households has a two-way communicating digital electric meter and that by 2015 more than half of U.S. homes will have smart meters. Executives from utilities that have installed numerous smart meters will discuss what worked and what didn't, especially concerning customer engagement and regulators' requirements. If IEE's predictions are even close to accurate, this is a session utility executives can't afford to miss.

**Moderator:** Doug Sterbenz, *executive vice president and chief operating officer, Westar Energy*  
**Panelists:** Kenneth W. Devore, *director, Edison SmartConnect, Southern California Edison*  
Craig Johnston, *vice president, corporate strategy and marketing, OGE Energy Corp.*  
Michael J. Boone, *director, Advanced Metering System/Intelligent Grid Project Management Office, CenterPoint Energy*  
Brewster McCracken, *executive director, Pecan Street Project*

**12:15 – 12:50 p.m. Luncheon**

*Lone Star Ballroom B, Level 2*

**12:50 – 2:00 p.m. Luncheon Keynote Session**



*Bill Richardson, former New Mexico governor, U.S. energy secretary, representative, and ambassador to U.N.*

Bill Richardson completed his second term as governor of New Mexico in December 2010. Since then, he was named chairman of APCO Worldwide's executive advisory service Global Political Strategies (GPS). In addition, Richardson has joined several nonprofit and for-profit boards, including Abengoa's International Advisory Board, the fifth-largest biofuels producer in the U.S. Richardson served 15 years in northern New Mexico representing the 3rd Congressional District. He served in 1997 as the U.S. ambassador to the U.N., and in 1998 he was unanimously confirmed by the U.S. Senate as secretary of the Department of Energy. While a congressman, Richardson won the release of hostages, U.S. servicemen and prisoners in North Korea, Iraq, Cuba and Sudan. Richardson has been nominated several times for the Nobel Peace Prize.

**2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Closing Reception with former New Mexico Gov.  
Bill Richardson**

*Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2012*

**7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast**

*Lone Star Ballroom B, Level 2*

**8:30 – 10:30 a.m. DistribuTECH Keynote Session**

*Lila Cockrell Theatre*