

Federal Utility Partnership Working Group Seminar
Houston, TX
August 21-22, 2024



Featured Utility:
CenterPoint Energy



Wednesday, August 21 *(all times in Central Daylight Time)*

8:00am	Registration and Continental Breakfast
9:00am	Featured Utility Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natalie Hedde, CenterPoint Energy
9:15am	DOE/FEMP Welcome and Announcements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tracy Niro, DOE FEMP • John Michael Forrest, DOE FEMP
9:30am	Washington Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Sotos, DOE FEMP • Anna J. Siefken, DOE FEMP • Tyler Harris, DOE FEMP
9:45am	Networking Break
10:00am	DOD Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rebecca Isacowitz, Office of the Secretary of Defense • Walter Ludwig, U.S. Navy
10:45am	Department of Veterans Affairs Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Wagner, Department of Veterans Affairs
11:15am	Utility Industry Perspectives Panel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alex Young, Edison Electric Institute • Paul Zummo, American Public Power Association
12:00pm	Case Studies: Energy Recovery – Based IAQ, Efficiency and Decarbonization HVAC Technology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scot Duncan, Conservant Systems • Hossam Kassab, Washington Headquarters Services
12:15pm	Lunch
1:30pm	UESC Best Practices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Broad Impact of Performance Contracts, Daniel Bresette, EESI • Escalation Rate, Christine Walker, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory • IGA Review Best Practices, Tim Kehrli, National Renewable Energy Laboratory
2:15pm	24/7 or “Hourly Matched” Carbon Pollution-Free Electricity 101 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sujata Rajpurohit, DOE FEMP
2:45pm	Networking Break

3:15pm	Impacts of Electrification and the Multiple Roles of Geothermal in Electrification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Douglas Tucker, U.S. Air Force • Alex Smith, Fervo Energy • Matt Lowlavar, DOE FEMP
4:00pm	How Microgrids Support a Federal Installation and Serving Utility <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike Gutowski, PowerSecure • Brian Dosa, DPW Director Fort Cavazos • Kevin Mann, Dominion Energy
4:30pm	Wrap-up – John Michael Forrest, DOE FEMP
4:45 – 6:15pm	Networking Event

Thursday, August 22

7:45am	Continental Breakfast
8:20am	Welcome to Day Two - Announcements – Mary Sotos, DOE FEMP
8:30am	Agency Priority Setting: DOE’s Secretary’s Performance Contract Challenge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skye Schell, DOE FEMP
8:50am	Tax Credits/Incentives for Energy Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Diaz, Walker Reid
9:20am	Update on Federal CFE Procurement in ERCOT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charlene Woods, DLA Energy • Bob Knudson, DLA Energy
9:40am	Networking Break
10:10am	Case Study – Intelligent HVAC System Design and Management and District Geothermal System <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Douglas Tucker, U.S. Air Force (<i>Moderator</i>) • Michelle Rodriguez-Pico, Oklahoma Gas & Electric • Li Song, Professor, University of Oklahoma • Kevin Johnson, Honeywell
10:40am	Case Study - GSA Region 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steve Rutledge, GSA • Dan Hill, Energy Systems Group • Nick Kehtel, Energy Systems Group • Calvin Roberts, CenterPoint Energy
11:10am	Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark Singer, National Renewable Energy Laboratory
11:40am	Incorporating Advanced Technologies in Performance Contracts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ken Sandler, GSA
Noon	Closing Remarks and Wrap-up – John Michael Forrest, DOE FEMP

Special Session 1: Energy Lawyers and Contracting Officers Forum

Moderators: Jeff Gingrich, NREL and Chandra Shah, NREL

1:00 – 2:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cost of Carbon and Escalation rate – Christine Walker, PNNL• Reduce Cycle Time and Prevent Schedule Slips – Russ Dominy, BGS, LLC• Electrification requirements – Tim Kehrl, NREL
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