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(Just east of the U.S. Capitol)

May 25, 2017

Morning Session-

8:45 a.m. Welcome

Moderator. Jim Hoecker, Counsel to WIRES
Husch Blackwell LLP & Hoecker Energy Law & Policy,
Former Chairman of FERC

8:45-9:15 a.m. Continental Breakfast and Discussion.

9:15 a.m. **Hon. Jerry McNerney (CA), Grid Innovation Caucus, Member-House
Committee on Energy & Commerce**

9:45 a.m. **Patrick McCormick, Chief Majority Counsel, Senate Energy & Natural
Resources Committee [hearing conflict -- will speak in the afternoon]**

10:00 a.m. Grid Modernization for the Electrified Economy

Preparing for Changed Market Fundamentals

What Will the Electrified Economy Look Like in 2037?

The Evolving Public Interest

How Should We Define the “Need” for Transmission?

- **Barbara Tyran**, Executive Director-Government & External Relations,
Electric Power Research Institute
- **Cristin Lyons**, Partner & Practice Lead – Grid Transformation,
ScottMadden
- **Judy Chang**, Principal/Director, The Brattle Group

11:15 a.m. **Thinking About the Grid as a Strategic Asset, An Enabler, and Problem Solver**

- **Integrating Resources**—Rob Gramlich, Founder, Grid Strategies LLC
- **Workable Bulk Power Markets**—J. Arnold Quinn, Director-Office of Energy Policy & Innovation, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- **Resilience and Energy Security**—Caitlin Durkovich, Toffler Associates
- **Cross Border Trade**—Dan Prowse, Transmission & Special Projects Officer, Manitoba Hydro
- **Sustainable Workforce**—Tiler Eaton, International Representative, IBEW

(Complimentary Lunch Provided)

12:30 p.m. **TED Talks**

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Hon. Tim Walberg (MI) – U. S. Representative and Member-House Committee on Energy & Commerce

Department of Energy representative (invited)

Afternoon Session-

1:15 p.m. **Why Invest In Transmission Infrastructure, Why Now? Economic & Financial Drivers** [in progress]

- **Christi Tezak**, Managing Director-Research, Clear View Energy
- **James Lucier**, Managing Director, Capital Alpha Partners
- **Dr. Sugandha Tuladhar**, Associate Director, NERA Economic Consulting
- **Todd Ryan**, Director of Regulatory Affairs, Smart Wires, Inc.

2:15 p.m. **The Wires Network in the Distributed Energy & Tech Innovation Environment**

- **Laura Manz**, Managing Director-Transmission, Navigant
- **Stephen Harper**, Global Director-Environment, Energy & Sustainability Policy, Intel Corporation
- **Tim Ash**, Market Director, AES Energy Storage

3:15 p.m. **Wrap-Up: Lessons Learned**

Free of charge

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