

2020 Contemporary Issues Technical Conference

Integrating Distribution System Planning with IRPs and RTO Planning

Virtual Conference

Thursday September 24, 2020

10:15-10:30	Welcome from Chairman Huston
	 Roadmap for Today There will be an opportunity for 10-15 minutes of Q&A after each presentation. Webinar Reminders and Pro Tips (below the agenda)
10:30-11:30	Larry Conrad: "Renewable Integration Models Based on Experience"
11:30-12:00	Lunch
12:00-1:00	Lisa Schwartz and Fredrich Kahrl: "All-Source Competitive Solicitations: State and Utility Practice"
1:00 -2:00	Lisa Schwartz and Tom Eckman: "Determining Utility System Value of Demand Flexibility from Grid-interactive Efficient Buildings"
2:00-3:00	Natalie Mims Frick will provide an overview of time and locational value of EE (30 minutes) Sydney Forrester and Andy Satchwell will present their Indiana-specific research (30 minutes)
3:00-3:45	Panel Discussion (Moderator – Dr. Doug Gotham, panelists: Natalie Mims Frick, Andy Satchwell, Sydney Forrester, Tom Eckman)

How To Join the Virtual Technical Conference

Those part of the IRP Technical Conference agenda will be joining via WebEx and have received instructions on how to join/share PowerPoint presentations. All audience members can view the IRP Technical Conference through YouTube. **Users can click on the YouTube link here:**https://youtu.be/1ZSyN2eW6lo at the start of the IRP Technical Conference and can join/leave at any time throughout the conference. If any audience member has questions, they can ask those in the "Live Chat" box on the right side of the screen. Commission staff will then ask those questions to the presenters as they are received and as time allows. If you have trouble accessing the Live Chat option, or if you have additional questions after the IRP Technical Conference, please email Bob Pauley at mpauley@urc.in.gov.

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Before forming Conrad Technical Services, Mr. Conrad was employed for thirty-six years in the electric utility business in a variety of roles including asset management, power quality, reliability, emergency preparedness, construction, and maintenance. Mr. Conrad invented predictive voltage sag analysis published in the *IEEE Gold Book*. He set the framework with European utilities for the IEC 61000-3-2 Class D millennium amendment that reduced harmonics worldwide. He participated in development of the first IEEE Distributed Generation interconnection standard 1547 and was on the ballot committee for the current revision. He a member of IEEE PES Distribution Subcommittee and a long-time contributor to the IEEE 1366 reliability reporting guide. He has also served as chairman of the IEEE Volt Var Task Force focusing on conservation voltage reduction and chaired the harmonization of voltage flicker standards between IEEE and IEC. He is a long-time member of and now chairman of ANSI Committee C84 which sets the voltage standard C84.1 for the USA. Contact information for Larry Conrad: Conrad Technical Services LLC larry.conrad@conradtechnicalservices.com 317-431-1866

Dr. Fredrich Kahrl is managing partner at 3rdRail Inc. He has more than 10 years of experience in the energy sector, providing strategy and analytical support to government agencies, energy regulators, research organizations, foundations, system operators, utilities, and energy producers. His expertise covers renewable energy integration, resource planning, energy systems modeling, electricity market design, regulatory economics, transmission pricing, rate design, greenhouse gas accounting, rural energy systems, and economic impact analysis. Dr. Kahrl received Ph.D. and M.S. degrees from the Energy and Resources Group at U.C. Berkeley. fkahrl@outlook.com

Lisa Schwartz, Deputy Leader Electricity Markets and Policy Department at the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory. Lisa manages work spanning utility regulation, electricity system planning, energy efficiency and other distributed energy resources, and leads training for states on

distribution system planning. She received the 2018 Mary Kilmarx Award from the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, in recognition of individuals "who have gone above and beyond in the name of good governance, clean energy, and the environment."

Before joining Berkeley Lab, Lisa was Director of the Oregon Department of Energy, overseeing state programs to advance energy efficiency, renewable energy and alternative transportation fuels, as well as energy facility siting, nuclear safety and energy emergency preparedness. She also provided leadership on state energy policy and guided the agency's analytical work. As a senior associate at the Regulatory Assistance Project, Lisa coordinated technical assistance for consumer behavior studies funded by U.S. Department of Energy to evaluate the impact of time-varying rates and smart grid technology on energy use, worked with Berkeley Lab to evaluate energy efficiency and other demand-side resources in Western U.S. transmission planning, and assisted states in areas such as industrial energy efficiency, distributed generation and utility incentives for energy efficiency. She also led Western Governors' Association projects to explore coordinating utility resource procurement with regional transmission needs, identify least-cost ways to integrate wind and solar, and assess energy efficiency and other policies to complement the Western Climate Initiative's proposed cap and trade program. Lisa's contact information is LCschwartz@lbl.gov, 510-486-6315 (office), 510-926-1091 (cell)

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