Welcome members and guests to our 2024 Annual Member Meeting. We'll first take care of important organizational business, including board elections and winners of the 2024 Grid Innovation Awards. Then we'll receive updates on federal activities to define and fund grid modernization programs across the U.S. and Canada.

New Board Nominations

**Piper Wilder**
Founder and CEO
60Hertz Energy

Board Term Extensions

**Luis D’Acosta**
Schneider/Uplight/Autogrid
Industry member, 3 years

**Bill Holmes**
KL Gates
Service Provider member, 1 year

**Vidya Vankayala**
BCIT
Education member, 3 years

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Other Board Members

**Emeka Anyanwu**, Lincoln Electric
**Julie Desimone**, Moss Adams
**Jackie Flowers**, Tacoma Public Utilities
**Hanna Grene**, Microsoft
**Marissa Hummon**, Utilidata (chair)
**Matt Piper**, Esri
**Jennie Potter**, Strategen
**Kristen Sheeran**, Portland General Electric
**Marie Steele**, NV Energy
**Bryce Yonker**, Grid Forward

Grid Innovator Awards Finalists

**Utilities**

- Avista
- Fortis Inc.

**Industry**

- London Hydro
- PacifiCorp

**Individuals**

- Larry Bekkedahl, Portland General
- Amy Grice, PenLight
- David Logsdon, Seattle City Light
- Mark Gabriel, United Power
- Sen. Maria Cantwell & Chief of Staff Amit Ronen

Thanks to Departing Board Members

- Carl Imhoff, PNNL (10 years)
- Devin Hampton, UtilityAPI (3 years)
- Josh Keeling, PGE/Cadeo/Generac/UtilityAPI (6 years)
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Updates on Federal Grid Programs

To keep our members and the broader community up to speed with fast-evolving federal programs for the grid, we invited some of the most active agencies to provide an update on progress and opportunities.

Carly Berke
External Affairs Advisor
Grid Deployment Office
U.S. DOE

Jen Downing
Senior Advisor
Loan Programs Office
U.S. DOE

Arthur Haubenstock
Chief Strategy Advisor
Office of Manufacturing and Energy Supply Chains
U.S. DOE

Jen Hiscock
Director
Electricity, Transportation & Buildings Innovation
Natural Resources Canada

Puesh M. Kumar
Director
Office of Cybersecurity, Energy Security, and Emergency Response
U.S. DOE

Margaret Larson
Stakeholder Engagement Lead
Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations
U.S. DOE

More Federal Program Resources from Grid Forward

Webinar: Scaling Advanced Grid Solutions - Pathways in Action

Programs and Initiatives at OCED That Are Helping to Advance the Grid
Upcoming podcast with David Crane
Undersecretary of Infrastructure
U.S. DOE

Article: How the federal government, states and utilities are aligning on advanced grid solutions

Discussion with the White House: The Federal Toolkit to Advance the Grid
Podcast with Whitney True
Senior Policy Advisor
White House

If you have questions about your membership, or how to become a member, contact Sam@GridForward.org.