

2024 ASEC VIRTUAL WORKSHOP SERIES

# UTILITY DECISION-MAKING: NAVIGATING CONSTRAINTS, INNOVATING FOR THE FUTURE

## WORKSHOP AGENDA

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

8:30 AM AKT | **Welcome & Housekeeping**

- **Gwen Holdmann**, Associate Vice Chancellor for Research for Innovation and Industry Partnerships, University of Alaska Fairbanks

8:45 AM AKT | **Understanding the Landscape: Innovation in a Utility Environment**

- **Clay Koplín**, Chief Executive Officer, Cordova Electric Cooperative, Inc.

9:15 AM AKT | **Understanding the Landscape: Innovation in a Utility Environment**

- **Alec Mesdag**, President and Chief Executive Officer, Alaska Electric Light and Power Company
- **Allan Rudeck**, Chief Strategic Officer, Chugach Electric Association, Inc.
- **Clay Koplín**, Chief Executive Officer, Cordova Electric Cooperative, Inc.
- **Tony Izzo**, Chief Executive Officer, Matanuska Electric Association

10:00 AM AKT | **Remarks from Governor Dunleavy**

10:05 AM AKT | **Break**

10:15 AM AKT | **Defining The Box: Technical & Economic Constraints**

- **Dustin Highers**, VP Corporate Programs, Chugach Electric Association, Inc.
- **Matt Bergan**, Project Engineer, Kotzebue Electric Association

11:00 AM AKT | **Defining The Box: Regulatory & Governance Constraints**

- **Daniel Heckman**, Regulatory Manager, Golden Valley Electric Association, Inc.

11:45 AM AKT | **Defining the Box: Technical, Regulatory, Economic, & Governance Constraints**

- **Daniel Heckman**, Regulatory Manager, Golden Valley Electric Association, Inc.
- **Dustin Highers**, VP Corporate Programs, Chugach Electric Association, Inc.
- **Larry Jorgensen**, Chief Power Production Officer, Homer Electric Association
- **Matt Bergan**, Project Engineer, Kotzebue Electric Association
- **Naomi Morton Knight**, Environmental Officer, Golden Valley Electric Association

12:30 PM AKT | **Closing Remarks**

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**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6****8:30 AM AKT | Welcome Back!**

- **Brittany Smart**, Energy Transition Initiatives Coordinator, Alaska Center for Energy and Power

**8:35 AM AKT | Balancing Risks Around Energy Projects**

- **Daniel Ludwig**, Business Development Manager, Ultra Safe Nuclear
- **Gwen Holdmann**, Associate Vice Chancellor for Research for Innovation and Industry Partnerships, University of Alaska Fairbanks
- **Matt Perkins**, Chief Executive Officer, Alaska Renewables

**9:30 AM AKT | Case Study from Hawaii: Derisking the Energy Transition - Strategies and Solutions**

- **Mark B. Glick**, Chief Energy Officer, Hawaii State Energy Office

**10:30 AM AKT | Break****10:40 AM AKT | Fireside Chat: Innovative Energy Policies Across the Country**

- **Brittany Smart**, Energy Transition Initiatives Coordinator, Alaska Center for Energy and Power
- **Galen Barbose**, Staff Scientist, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
- **Warren Leon**, Executive Director, Clean Energy States Alliance

**11:25 AM AKT | Opportunities for Alaska: Where do we go from here?**

- **Gwen Holdmann**, Associate Vice Chancellor for Research for Innovation and Industry Partnerships, University of Alaska Fairbanks
- **Clay Koplin**, Chief Executive Officer, Cordova Electric Cooperative, Inc.
- **Curtis Thayer**, Executive Director, Alaska Energy Authority
- **Jenn Miller**, Chief Executive Officer, Renewable IPP
- **Jeremy Kasper**, Director, UAF Alaska Center for Energy and Power
- **Michael Rovito**, Deputy Director, Alaska Power Association

**12:20 PM AKT | Closing Remarks**