



## Agenda

### Sunday, August 6

Time	Session
12:00 – 7:00 pm	Registration
12:00 – 5:00 pm	WhiteCaps Baseball Game / Exploring (on your own)
3:30 – 6:30 pm	Demonstration: Electric Vehicle Showcase <b>Michigan Electric Auto Association</b>
5:00 – 7:00 pm	Opening Reception at the JW Marriott Hotel

### Monday, August 7

Time	Session
7:00 – 8:30am	Breakfast
8:10 – 8:25 am 8:25 – 8:30 am	<b>Welcoming Remarks</b> <i>Dan Scripps, Chair of Michigan PSC and MARC President</i> <i>Rosalyn Bliss, Mayor, City of Grand Rapids</i>
8:30 – 9:00 am	<b>Plenary Keynote:</b> In the Shadow of President Gerald Ford President Ford's Legacy <i>Gleaves Whitney, Executive Director of Ford Presidential Foundation</i> A Comprehensive Federal Approach to Energy Policy: Then and Now <b>Moderator: Dan Scripps, Chair of Michigan PSC and MARC President</b> <i>Greg White, Executive Director, NARUC</i>
9:05 – 9:55 am	<b>Plenary Panel:</b> Utility Decarbonization & Net Zero Goals  <i>Moderator: Doug Scott, Chairman, Illinois Commerce Commission</i> <i>Jerry Norcia, CEO, DTE Energy</i> <i>Emily Sanford Fisher, Exec VP of Clean Energy, EEI</i> <i>Betsy Beck, Global Energy Markets, Google</i> <i>Peggy Simmons, Executive Vice President, American Electric Power</i>
15 min	Networking Break

10:10 – 11:00 am	<p><b>Plenary Panel:</b> Taking the Blinders Off: Visualizing Our Future Grid</p> <p><i>Moderator: Comm. Andrew French, Kansas Corporation Commission Mark Christie, Commissioner, FERC Krista Tanner, Sr. VP, and Chief Business Officer, ITC Holdings Corp. Steve Gaw, Sr. VP Infrastructure/Markets, Advanced Power Alliance David Kelley, Vice President Engineering, Southwest Power Pool</i></p>
11:00 – 11:45 am	<p><b>Plenary Keynote:</b> Ensuring Equity in the Energy Transition</p> <p><i>Moderator: Chair Rebecca Cameron Valcq, PSC-Wisconsin Conrad Bolston, Sr. Counsel, Environment Justice and Equity, FERC</i></p>
15 min	Networking Break
12:00 – 1:15 pm	Lunch Hosted by MARC 2024 Host State - Minnesota
1:30 – 2:30 pm	<p><b>Breakout Session #1-A</b> Looking to the Future: Growing Synergies between the Energy and Telecommunications Sectors (Grid Modernization, Smart Technologies, Electric Vehicles, Broadband Expansion, and more).</p> <p><i>Moderator: Comm. Sarah Freeman, Indiana URC Josh Cohen, Head of Policy, SWTCHenergy Lewis Binswanger, Sr. VP of Govt and Regulatory Affairs, ComEd Alex Minard, VP, NCTA – The Internet &amp; Television Association Erik Varney, Managing Director of Industrial IoT &amp; Telematics, Verizon Wireless Scott C Blecke, PE, Great Lakes Energy</i></p>
1:30 – 2:30 pm	<p><b>Breakout Session #1-B</b> <b>Riding the Wave: Managing Increasing Challenges Facing the Water Sector</b></p> <p><i>Moderator: Comm. David Veleta, Indiana URC Rebecca Losli, President, PE, Illinois American Water Steve Lubertozzi, Sr. VP North Region, Corix Group of Companies Megan Meadows, Office of Community Services, US Dept. of Health and Human Services</i></p>
1:30 – 2:30 pm	<p><b>Breakout Session #1-C</b> Greening the Rust Belt: Reducing Energy Waste in High Consumption Industries</p> <p><i>Moderator: Comm. Tyler Huebner, PSC Wisconsin Sadzi Oliva, VP Govt Relations &amp; Community, United Scrap Metal Jason Liechty, Policy Director, Midwest Energy Efficiency Alliance Jeff Burks, Relationship Manager, Key Green Solutions</i></p>

<p>1:30 – 2:30 pm</p>	<p><b>Breakout Session #1-D</b>                  Promoting Gas Safety in an Era of Expanding Threats</p> <p><i><b>Moderator: Comm. Kim David, Oklahoma Corporation Commission                  Shantel Norman, ONE Gas                  Jared J. Martin, Gas Asset Management, Consumers Energy                  Kayode Dawodu PhD, P.E. Director, Gas Transmission, Storage &amp;                  Integrity Management Operations, DTE Energy                  Timothy Gaither, Director of Preparedness, emergency Support and                  Security, US Department of Transportation, PHMSA</b></i></p>
<p>15 min</p>	<p>Networking Break</p>
<p>2:45 – 3:45 pm</p>	<p><b>Breakout Session #2-A</b>                  Planning for a Just Transition for Power Plant Communities</p> <p><i><b>Moderator: Comm. Michael Carrigan, Illinois Commerce Commission                  Larry Steckelberg, Administrator, Community Services, Bureau of                  Local and State Government, MI Department of Treasury                  Jon Grosshans, Senior Advisor US EPA                  Hilary Scott-Ogunrinde, Deputy Director of Energy and Utility,                  IL Dept. Of Commerce and Economic Activity</b></i></p>
<p>2:45 – 3:45 pm</p>	<p><b>Breakout Session #2-B</b>                  Stretching the Grid: Maximizing Customer Benefits through Demand Flexibility</p> <p><i><b>Moderator: Comm. Katie Anderson, Arkansas PSC                  Mark Dyson, Managing Director, RMI                  Patrick Ryan, VP Corporate Strategy, Exelon                  Amy Heart, VP Public Policy, Sunrun                  Brian George, Global Energy Market Dev. And Policy, Google</b></i></p>
<p>2:45 – 3:45 pm</p>	<p><b>Breakout Session #2-C</b>                  What Regulators Need to Know about Financial Markets</p> <p><i><b>Moderator: John Quackenbush, President, JQ Resources                  (Comm. Emeritus-MI)                  Anthony Crowdell, Mizuho                  Lillian Federico, S&amp;P Global                  Barbara Chapman, FitchRatings</b></i></p>
<p>2:45 – 3:45 pm</p>	<p><b>Breakout Session #2-D</b>                  Keeping Watch: Ensuring Resilience and Adaptation of Critical Energy, Water, and Telecommunications Systems in the Face of Escalating Climate Risks and Cybersecurity Attacks</p> <p><i><b>Moderator: Comm. Eric Kamler, Nebraska Public Service Commission                  Dr. Thomas Wall, Climate Resilience Lead,                  Argonne National Laboratory                  Megan Levy, US DOE CESER SLTT Project Manager</b></i></p>

	<p><b>Kelley Goldblatt, Supervisory Cybersecurity Advisor, CISA</b>  <b>Jennifer Greenburg, VP of Govt Affairs, Peninsula Fiber Network</b></p>
15 min	Networking Break
4:00 – 5:00 pm	<p><b>Breakout Session #3-A</b>  Engaging the Customer in Designing Assistance Programs</p> <p><b>Moderator: Comm. Maida Coleman, Missouri PSC</b>  <b>Derrick Collins, Disability Advocates of Kent County</b>  <b>Crystal Green, Associate Director of Energy and Climate Equity Markets, DNV Energy Services</b>  <b>Synia Gant-Jordan, Owner, Samaria J's Salon</b>  <b>Tanya Paslawski, Principal and Founder, Elevated Engagement</b>  <b>David Becker, Marketing Program Manager, DTE Energy</b></p>
4:00 – 5:00 pm	<p><b>Breakout Session #3-B</b>  Best Practices in the Sharing of Utility and Customer Data</p> <p><b>Moderator: Comm. Ann McCabe, Illinois Commerce Commission</b>  <b>Carmen Best, Recurve</b>  <b>Katie Papadimitriou, UtilityAPI</b>  <b>Annie Levenson-Falk, Citizens Utility Board of MN</b></p>
4:00 – 5:00 pm	<p><b>Breakout Session #3-C</b>  Emerging Risks: Workforce, Supply Chain and Geopolitical Challenges</p> <p><b>Moderator: Sheri Haugen-Hoffart, North Dakota PSC</b>  <b>Colin Seals, Energy Director, Public Sector Consultants</b>  <b>Chris Watts, Director Regulatory Affairs, S&amp;C Electric Company</b>  <b>Brooke Beebe, Sr Vice President Advocacy and Engagement, Hemlock Semiconductor</b>  <b>Dawn Stone, Dean of Workforce Development at Alpena Community College</b></p>
4:00 – 5:00 pm	<p><b>Breakout Session #3-D</b>  Interconnection Reforms to Bring New Generation Online</p> <p>Moderator: Comm. Joshua Byrnes, Iowa Utilities Board  Beth Soholt, Executive Director, Clean Grid Alliance  Kamran Ali, VP of Transmission Planning and Analysis, AEP  Gina Mace, Regulatory Affairs, Enel North America  Evelyn Robinson, Managing Partner and Director, PJM</p>
5:15 – 6:15 pm	MARC Board Meeting (Commissioners Only)
6:00 – 8:00 pm	OPEN (small group dinners and industry receptions)

# Tuesday, August 8

Time	Session
7:00 – 8:30am	Breakfast
8:15 – 8:25 am	Announcements
8:25-8:35 am	<p><b>Workforce Spotlight</b> featuring graduates of Alpena Community College Utility Arborist training program</p> <p><i>Dr. Don MacMaster, President, Alpena Community College</i>  <i>Terissa Bird, Trimmer, Asplundh Tree Expert</i>  <i>Randy Peterman, Trimmer, Asplundh Tree Expert</i></p>
8:35 – 9:15 am	<p><b>Plenary Keynote:</b> Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD)</p> <p><i>Eric Frederick, Chief Connectivity Officer, Michigan High Speed Internet Office</i>  <i>Tremaine Phillips, President of Third Coast Strategies, LLC and Commissioner Emeritus – Michigan</i></p>
9:20 – 10:10 am	<p><b>Plenary Panel:</b> The Day the Grid Didn't Go Down</p> <p><i>Moderator: Comm. Julie Fedorchak, North Dakota PSC</i>  <i>Clair Moeller, President and COO, MISO</i>  <i>Rob Gramlich, Founder and President, Grid Strategies</i>  <i>Bob W. Gee, Gee Strategies Group</i></p>
15 min	Break
10:25 – 11:15 am	<p><b>Plenary Panel:</b> Siting Critical Infrastructure</p> <p><i>Moderator: Chairperson Kristie Fiegen, South Dakota PSC</i>  <i>Dr. Sarah Mills, Director, University of Michigan</i>  <i>Michael Skelly, CEO, Grid United</i>  <i>Richard Leger, Sr. VP, CenterPoint Energy</i></p>
11:20 – 12:10 pm	<p><b>Plenary Panel:</b> The Future of Natural Gas: Maintaining Affordability and Achieving Decarbonization Goals While Preserving Utility Finances</p> <p><i>Moderator: Chair Katie Sieben, Minnesota PUC</i>  <i>Scott Weitzel, Regulatory Affairs, Spire Energy</i>  <i>Marnese Jackson, Midwest Building Decarbonization Coalition</i>  <i>Audrey Partridge, MN Center for Energy and Environment</i></p>

12:15 – 1:15 pm	Boxed Lunch
1:00 – 4:00 pm	<p><b>Workshop:</b> Emergency Planning and Preparedness</p> <p><b>Session 1: Day in the Life of Emergency Personnel</b>  <i>Jennie Pollak, Interim Executive Director, 211</i>  <i>Lt. Jeff Yonker, District Region 1 Coordinator, Michigan State Police</i>  <i>Julie Ginevan, Emergency Planning Analyst, Michigan PSC</i></p> <p><b>Session 2: Incident Command System (ICS) for Energy Regulators</b>  <i>TBD</i></p> <p><b>Session 3: Regional Petroleum Response Planning &amp; Coordination</b>  <i>Megan Levy, SLTT Project Manager, US DOE CESER</i>  <i>Ben Bolton, Senior Energy Programs Administrator, Tennessee ESF 12 Office of Energy</i>  <i>Jeffrey Pillon, Senior Advisor for Energy Security, NASEO</i></p>
12:45 -5:15 pm	<p><b>Tour:</b> Switch Data Center - Pyramid Campus  Steelcase Furniture Manufacturing Facility</p>
1:00 – 4:15 pm	<p><b>Tour:</b> Holland Energy Park (Holland Board of Power and Light)</p>
1:15 – 2:45 pm	<p><b>Tour:</b> Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Walking Tour Downtown Grand Rapids. (Two tour times offered)  E-Bike option last 30 minutes.</p>
1:15 – 3:45 pm	<p><b>Tour:</b> Integrating Housing, Energy Efficiency, and Transit for Equitable Deployment - Bus Tour</p>
1:30 – 4:00 pm	<p><b>Tour:</b> Water Resource Facility &amp; Biodigester (Grand Rapids)</p>
3:00 – 4:45 pm	<p><b>Tour:</b> Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Walking Tour Downtown Grand Rapids. (Two tour times offered)  E-Bike option last 30 minutes.</p>
6:00 – 9:00 pm	Dinner Reception at the Grand Rapids Public Museum

# Wednesday, August 9

Time	Session
7:00 – 8:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 – 8:45 am	Announcements
8:45 – 9:25 am	<p><b>Plenary Keynote:</b> EV-isioning the Future</p> <p><i>Moderator: Comm. Katherine Peretick, Michigan PSC Chris Smith, Chief Government Affairs Officer, Ford</i></p>
15 min	Break
9:40 – 10:40 am	<p><b>Plenary Panel:</b> The Future Distribution Grid: Withstanding Increased Extreme Weather, Accommodating DERs, and Electrifying End Uses</p> <p><i>Moderator: Sally Talberg, Talberg Policy Solutions (Commissioner Emeritus-Michigan) Donnel Baird, CEO, BlocPower Jeffrey Schlegelmilch, Director Nat'l Center for Disaster Preparedness, Columbia Climate School Dr. Becca Jones-Albertus, Deputy Assistant Director for Renewable Energy &amp; Director, Solar Energy Technologies Office, US DOE PJ Martin, AVP Modeling and Analytics for Integrated System Planning, Xcel Energy</i></p>
15 min	Break
10:55 – 11:50 am	<p><b>Plenary Panel:</b> What's Next: A Roundtable on Advanced Technologies and the Future of Energy and Telecommunications</p> <p><i>Moderator: Chair Dan Scripps, Michigan PSC Garrick Rochow, President and CEO, Consumers Energy Kelly Speakes-Backman, Executive VP Public Affairs, Invenergy</i></p>
11:50 – 12:00 am	Closing Remarks and Michigan Give-Away
12:00 pm	Conference Adjourns
12:15 – 1:00 pm	Boxed Lunch (for Registered Workshop Attendees)
1:00 – 4:00 pm	<p><b>Bonus: Grid Resilience Workshop</b> – Hosted by DOE Grid Deployment Office and NARUC Center for Partnerships</p> <p><i>William McCurry, NARUC Cameron Brooks, E9 Insight Ted Ko, Ted Ko Consulting Chris Villarreal, Plugged In Strategies Cory Felder, Department of Energy Grid Deployment Office Doug Scott, Chairman, Illinois Commerce Commission</i></p>