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Legal, Regulatory and Business Developments for*

Renewable Energy in the Midwest

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- 8:00 Registration Opens
- 8:30 Introduction and Overview
 - Girard P. Miller, Esq., *Program Co-Chair***
Maslon LLP ~ Minneapolis, MN
 - Daniel A. Yarano, Esq., *Program Co-Chair***
Fredrikson & Byron P.A. ~ Minneapolis, MN
- 8:45 Federal Energy Policy Developments Having an Impact on the Market for Renewable Energy in the Midwest

Renewables-focused initiatives of the U.S. Congress, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Department of Energy, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the White House

Kevin J. McIntyre, Esq.
Jones Day ~ Washington, DC
- 9:30 Environmental and Regulatory Update: Opportunities and Challenges for the Renewables Industry in the Midwest

Developments in the substantive law

Kevin D. Johnson, Esq.
Stoel Rives LLP ~ Minneapolis, MN

How wind and energy development will be affected by the listing of the northern long-eared bat and other federally- or state-listed species in Minnesota; the regulatory implications of those listings

Richard J. Baker, *Endangered Species Coordinator*
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources ~ St. Paul, MN
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 Demand Drivers for New Renewable Resources

The federal government as a large customer: Update on the Obama Administration’s clean power initiative for military and civilian facilities; government contracts

Nena M. Lenz, Esq.
Fredrikson & Byron P.A. ~ Minneapolis, MN

Tech companies as large customers wanting green power: What are they looking for?

David Gardiner, Esq., *Principal and President*
David Gardiner & Associates ~ Arlington, VA

Utility scale solar and community solar; recent developments in Wisconsin

Matthew J. Frank, Esq.
Murphy Desmond S.C. ~ Madison, WI

12:15 Lunch (on your own)

1:30 Special Addresses: High-Level Insights into the Future for Renewables in the Region

Business perspective on market realities and the current incentives and disincentives

Christopher B. Clark, *President*
Northern States Power Company, Xcel Energy Inc.
Minneapolis, MN

State policy perspective on the current issues for renewables development and integration into grid operations

The Hon. Dan Lipschultz, Esq., *Commissioner*
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission ~ Saint Paul, MN

3:00 Break

3:15 How Policy and Business Dynamics Impact Strategic Plans for Different Types of Renewables

Betsy Engelking, *Moderator, Vice President*
Geronimo Energy ~ Edina, MN

Carolyn Brouillard, *Manager, Regulatory Policy and Strategy*
Xcel Energy Inc. ~ Minneapolis, MN

Mike Bull, Esq., *Director, Policy and Communications*
Center for Energy and Environment ~ Minneapolis, MN

Mallory Lindgren, *Director, Power Generation Strategy*
Westwood Professional Services ~ Eden Prairie, MN

5:00 Continue the Exchange of Ideas: Reception for Faculty and Attendees

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About the Conference

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What previous attendees have said:

“Very dynamic conference with a great variety of topics”

“I attend every year and appreciate the important information and updates”

“This conference is so important for the Midwest every summer!”

The Midwest contains the nation’s most valuable renewable energy resources and is a hub for clean technology innovation. In this conference, leading national renewable energy professionals, thought leaders and regulators will address opportunities and challenges for developers and entrepreneurs in the Midwest.

The conference provides updates on the status of federal, state and regional energy policies and incentives. You will hear about current industry challenges and major areas that are impacting Midwest development opportunities, including what is on FERC’s agenda, federal and regional transmission and interconnection developments, permitting, government energy contracts, solar garden and storage technology trends, procuring renewable generating assets, and how regulatory policies and business dynamics have intersected to affect the financing and deployment of various types of renewable energy.

Sign up soon. We hope to see you there!

Program Co-Chairs: Girard P. Miller, Esq., Maslon LLP and Daniel A. Yarano, Esq., Fredrikson & Byron P.A.



8:30 Introduction to Day 2
Girard P. Miller, Esq., Program Co-Chair
Daniel A. Yarano, Esq., Program Co-Chair

8:45 Grid Operations for Getting Centralized Generation to Load
Current transmission development and interconnection issues
Tim Aliff, Director, Resource Interconnection & Planning
Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. (MISO)
Carmel, IN
William R. Kaul, Vice President, Transmission
Great River Energy ~ Maple Grove, MN
Susan Williams Sloan, Vice President, State Policy
American Wind Energy Association ~ Washington, DC

10:15 Break

10:30 Legal Issues in Current Business Model Trends for Distributed Generation
Solar gardens
Aakash H. Chandarana, Esq.
Regional Vice President, Rates and Regulatory Affairs
Xcel Energy Inc. ~ Minneapolis, MN
Storage technology trends
William Borders, Esq., Deputy General Counsel
Invenergy LLC ~ Chicago, IL

11:45 Lunch (on your own)

1:00 Transactional Tips for Procuring Renewable Generating Assets
Engineering procurement and construction
Tim Maag, Vice President and General Manager, Wind
Mortenson Company ~ Minneapolis, MN
Acquisition of solar or wind operating assets

John L. Seymour, III, Esq.
Dorsey & Whitney LLP ~ Minneapolis, MN

2:00 Working Through the Complexities of Permitting Renewable Energy Projects
Christina K. Brusven, Esq.
Fredrikson & Byron P.A. ~ Minneapolis, MN
Eric Hansen, P.E., Director, Environmental Services
Westwood Professional Services ~ Eden Prairie, MN
Deborah R. Pile, Director
Minnesota Department of Commerce ~ St. Paul, MN

3:00 Evaluations and Adjourn

Upcoming Seminars:

Table with 3 columns: Seminar Title, Date, Location. Includes California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Energy in the Northeast, Energy Markets and Development in California, The Transition of Hawaiian Energy, Energy in Alaska, Commercial Real Estate Leases.

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Faculty: Renewable Energy in the Midwest Conference

Girard P. Miller, Program Co-Chair, of counsel, Maslon LLP, is a transactions attorney in the Business & Securities Group. He focuses on mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, corporate finance, governance (both for profit and not-for-profit entities), venture capital, and corporate and business law.

Daniel A. Yarano, Program Co-Chair, shareholder, Fredrikson & Byron P.A., is Chair of the Energy Practice Group. He advises clients on developing and financing renewable energy projects, including wind, biomass, biofuels and solar, private and public financing of companies.

Christopher B. Clark, Special Address, is President of Northern States Power Company-Minnesota, Xcel Energy Inc. Previously, he was Regional Vice President of Rates and Regulatory Affairs-Minnesota, and was responsible for regulatory filings with the utility commissions in Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota.

The Hon. Dan Lipschultz, Special Address, Commissioner, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, was appointed by Governor Mark Dayton to serve a six-year term, effective February 14, 2014. Prior to his appointment, he was a shareholder at Moss & Barnett, P.A.,

Betsy Engelking, Moderator, Vice President and leader of the Development Group at Geronimo Energy, has expertise in energy policy, renewable energy, resource planning, utility rates and regulation, and energy markets.

Tim Aliff, Director of Resource Interconnection & Planning at Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. (MISO), is responsible for generation interconnection queue and agreements, long term transmission service requests, transmission studies, and resource adequacy forecasting.

Richard J. Baker is the Endangered Species Coordinator, Division of Ecological and Water Resources, at the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

William Borders, Vice President and Deputy General Counsel at Invenergy LLC, is responsible for legal support for development, operations, and energy sales divisions. He also is counsel on domestic and international corporate transactions, including sales, acquisitions, and joint ventures.

Carolyn Brouillard, Manager, Regulatory Policy and Strategy, Xcel Energy Inc., focuses on policy and strategy development related to regulatory and rate reform, grid modernization, distributed energy resources, and new utility business models.

Christina K. Brusven, shareholder, Fredrikson & Byron P.A., advises utilities, independent power producers and pipeline companies on siting, routing, permitting, rate and other regulatory matters. She guides clients through regulatory and permitting processes needed to construct large energy, transmission and pipeline projects.

Mike Bull, Director of Policy and Communications at the Center for Energy and Environment, is responsible for development, evaluation and communication of effective clean energy solutions in the Midwest. Previously, he was Manager, Public Policy & Strategy at Xcel Energy.

Aakash H. Chandarana is Regional Vice President, Rates and Regulatory Affairs, at Xcel Energy Inc.

David Gardiner, Principal and President, David Gardiner & Associates LLC, provides high-level strategic guidance to corporate executives and non-profit leaders in energy efficiency, clean air policy, sustainable transportation, and forest and land issues. Previously, he was the Executive Director of the White House Climate Change Task Force during the Clinton Administration.

Matthew J. Frank, Murphy Desmond S.C., provides strategic advice and legal counsel to clients on policy and regulatory matters involving environmental law, natural resources, renewable energy development and sustainability. Previously, he served as the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

Eric Hansen, PE, PG, Director, Environmental Services and Senior Project Manager, Westwood Professional Services, manages renewable energy and power delivery projects in numerous states. He is a company shareholder with experience in regulatory permitting, site assessment, and environmental field studies.

Kevin Johnson, partner, Environment, Land Use and Natural Resources group, Stoel Rives LLP, focuses on environmental, energy, land use, agricultural and municipal law. He assists clients in renewable

energy projects, including biomass (waste-to-energy) facilities, biofuels (ethanol and biodiesel) facilities and wind energy projects.

William R. Kaul is Vice President, Transmission, at Great River Energy, an electric generation and transmission cooperative serving approximately two thirds of the geography of Minnesota. He is a founder of CapX2020 and has served as its Chair since its formation in 2004.

Nena M. Lenz, Fredrikson & Byron P.A., focuses on government contracting, helping companies and public entities draft and negotiate federal, state and local procurement documents, and counseling clients on compliance with related regulatory requirements.

Mallory Lindgren, Director, Power Generation Strategy, Westwood Professional Services, conducts market analyses, monitors policy, and identifies trends and opportunities, and is experienced as a client-focused project manager for renewable energy projects.

Tim Maag, Vice President and General Manager of Mortenson Company's Wind Energy Group, provides strategic leadership for future business growth and oversees the pre-construction and construction phases of their wind power facilities.

Kevin J. McIntyre, partner, Jones Day, focuses on governmental regulation of energy markets and the electric and gas utility and gas pipeline industries, with emphases on compliance and enforcement investigations, energy marketing and trading, market-based rates, competition issues and electric reliability standards.

Deborah R. Pile is the Director of Energy Facility Permitting at the Minnesota Department of Commerce.

John L. Seymour III, partner, Finance and Restructuring Department and the Energy Practice Group, Dorsey & Whitney LLP, concentrates on project development and financing of energy and other infrastructure projects, as well as commercial finance transactions.

Susan Williams Sloan, Vice President, State Policy, American Wind Energy Association, leads a team working on state policy issues including RPS laws, taxes, siting, transmission, and distributed and community wind, in legislative and regulatory affairs, as well as regional and state-based events.

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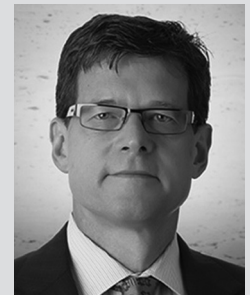
Who Should Attend:

Attorneys, industry executives, governmental officials, consumer advocates and anyone involved with renewable energy infrastructure investment, public policy and resource development

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