

2022 RMEL FALL CONVENTION

OCTOBER 10 - 12, 2022 • HILTON DENVER INVERNESS • DENVER, CO

AGENDA AT-A-GLANCE

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MONDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2022 (ALL TIMES MDT)	
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Golf Outing <i>The Club at Inverness</i>
2:00 - 5:30 p.m.	PRE-CONVENTION WORKSHOP: Next Generation Power Pioneers <i>Workshop, roundtable, and panel details TBD</i>
6:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Welcome Reception
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2022 (ALL TIMES MDT)	
8:00 - 8:15 a.m.	Opening Remarks <i>Neal Walker, 2021 - 2022 RMEL President • President, Texas-New Mexico Power</i> Welcome to Denver <i>Robert Kenney, President, Public Service of Colorado (Xcel Energy)</i>
8:15 - 9:30 a.m.	KEYNOTE: <i>Amy Myers Jaffe, Energy consultant and leading expert on the geopolitics of oil, energy, security and risk and an influential thought leader on global energy policy and sustainability, and Research Professor & Managing Director of the Climate Policy Lab, Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy, Tufts University</i>
9:30 - 9:45 a.m.	Networking Break
9:45 - 10:30 a.m.	Enabling A Clean Reliable Energy Transition <i>Neva Espinoza, Vice President - Energy Supply and Low Carbon Resources, EPRI</i>
10:30 - 11:30 a.m.	PANEL: The Future of Nuclear Power - Small Nuclear Reactors <i>Panelist: TBD, Xenergy</i> <i>Panelist: TBD, NuScale</i> <i>Moderator: Mike Kotara, 2022 - 2023 RMEL President • President, Zachry Sustainability Solutions</i>
11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.	Networking Lunch/Annual Business Meeting
12:45 - 1:30 p.m.	Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) <i>Shawn Graff, Regional Director, Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency</i>
1:30 - 2:15 p.m.	Colorado River Hydro-Power - Avoiding Crisis <i>Nicholas Williams, Regional Power Manager of the Upper Colorado Basin Region, Bureau of Reclamation</i>
2:15 - 2:30 p.m.	Networking Break
2:30 - 3:15 p.m.	PANEL: Energy Storage as an Essential Tool <i>Panelist: Jason Abiecunas, SVP Business Development, FlexGen</i> <i>Panelist: Mark Higgins, President North America & Chief Commercial Officer, RedFlow</i> <i>Panelist: Chris Janik, Senior Director - Power Delivery, Salt River Project</i> <i>Panelist: David Longrie, Senior Project Manager, Colorado Springs Utilities</i> <i>Moderator: Joshua Johnson, Associate Vice President - Solutions & Proposal Leader, Black & Veatch</i>
3:15 - 4:00 p.m.	Impacts of SCOTUS Decision on WV vs. EPA Utilities <i>Barbara Walz, Chief Compliance Officer, Tri-State Generation & Transmission Association</i>
6:00 - 9:30 p.m.	Networking Reception, Dinner, and RMEL Foundation Auction
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2022 (ALL TIMES MDT)	
8:00 - 8:15 a.m.	Welcome Back and Passing of the Gavel <i>Neal Walker, 2021 - 2022 RMEL President • President, Texas-New Mexico Power</i> <i>Mike Kotara, 2022 - 2023 RMEL President • President, Zachry Sustainability Solutions</i>
8:15 - 9:30 a.m.	KEYNOTE: Navigating Employee Engagement, Retention and Productivity Challenges in the Energy Industry <i>Vibhas Ratanjee, Subject Matter Expert and Global Practice Leader for Leadership Development, Gallup</i>
9:30 - 10:00 a.m.	Networking Break
10:00 - 10:30 a.m.	RMEL Awards Presentation
10:30 - 11:45 a.m.	CEO PANEL <i>Panelist: Javier Fernandez, President & CEO, Omaha Public Power District</i> <i>Panelist: Eric Gray, President & CEO, GE Gas Power</i> <i>Panelist #3 TBD</i> <i>Panelist #4 TBD</i> <i>Moderator: Mike Kotara, 2022 - 2023 RMEL President • President, Zachry Sustainability Solutions</i>
11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.	Networking Lunch and Adjournment

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