



Third Annual Searle Center Conference on Energy Regulation: Legal and Regulatory Issues, Obstacles and Opportunities in Electricity Markets

Thursday, November 13—Friday, November 14, 2014

Wieboldt Hall Room #147
340 E. Superior Street, Chicago, IL

Thursday, November 13th

- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch** (WB 540)
- 1:15 **Welcome and Introduction** (WB 147)
Daniel B. Rodriguez, Dean, Harold Washington Professor, Northwestern University School of Law
Matthew L. Spitzer, Director, Searle Center on Law, Regulation, and Economic Growth and Howard and Elizabeth Chapman Professor, Northwestern University School of Law
David A. Dana, Kirkland & Ellis Chair in the Law School, Northwestern University School of Law
- 1:15-2:45 **Session One—Transmission Siting and Implementation of FERC Order 1000** (WB 147)
Moderator: James N. Cahan, Senior Counsel, Sidley Austin LLP
- The Electric Grid at a Crossroads: A Regional Approach to Siting Transmission Lines*
Alexandra B. Klass, Professor of Law, University of Minnesota Law School
- Ashley C. Brown**, Executive Director of the Harvard Electricity Policy Group (HEPG), Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government
- Matthew R. McGuire**, Jones Day
- 2:45-3:15 **Break** (WB 150)
- 3:15-4:45 **Session Two—Smart Grid Regulatory Barriers** (WB 147)
Moderator: Lincoln L. Davies, S.J. Quinney College of Law, University of Utah
- David B. Spence**, Professor, Law, Politics & Regulation and Co-Director, Energy Management & Innovation Center, McCombs School of Business, University of Texas at Austin
- Joel B. Eisen**, Professor of Law, Austin Owen Research Fellow, University of Richmond School of Law
- Suedeem G. Kelly**, Partner, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP
- 5:00-6:00 **Cocktail Reception** (WB 440)
- 6:00 **Conference Dinner** (WB 540)
- Keynote Address**
James J. Hoecker, Senior Counsel & Energy Strategist, Husch Blackwell and former FERC Chairman from 1997 to 2001

Friday, November 14th

8:00 a.m. **Breakfast Buffett** (WB 150)

8:30-10:00 **Session Three—Distributed Energy, On and Off Grid Legal/Economic/Political/Technical Issues** (WB 147)

Moderator: Abraham Silverman, Assistant General Counsel, Regulatory, NRG Energy, Inc.

Cliffs and Ducks, Inverted Blocks and Spirals: Where Does Distributed Solar Go From Here?

Steve Weissman, Lecturer in Residence; Director of the Energy Program, Center for Law, Energy & the Environment, UC Berkeley School of Law

Basics of Ratemaking

Richard J. Pierce, Jr., Lyle T. Alverson Professor of Law, The George Washington University Law School

Can the Law Embrace Disruptive Technologies?

Amy L. Stein, Associate Professor of Law, University of Florida Levin College of Law

10:00-10:15 **Break** (WB 150)

10:15-11:45 **Session Four—Legal Challenges to State Renewable Portfolio Statutes and Incorporating Renewables** (WB 147)

Moderator: David A. Dana, Kirkland & Ellis Professor of Law, Northwestern University School of Law

Monitoring Federalism

Hannah Wiseman, Assistant Professor, Florida State University, College of Law

David B. Spence, Professor, Law, Politics & Regulation and Co-Director, Energy Management & Innovation Center, McCombs School of Business, University of Texas at Austin

Steven Ferrey, Professor of Law, Suffolk University Law School

11:45-1:00 **Lunch** (WB 540)

1:00-2:30 **Session Five—California Market Issues with Cap-And-Trade** (WB 147)

Moderator: Michael R. Barsa, Senior Lecturer, Co-Director of the Environmental Law Concentration, Northwestern University School of Law

Jim Rossi, Professor of Law, Vanderbilt University Law School

David A. Dana, Kirkland & Ellis Chair in the Law School, Northwestern University School of Law

Lincoln L. Davies, S.J. Quinney College of Law, University of Utah

2:30 **Adjourn**