



RELIABILITYFIRST
2023 FALL WORKSHOP
SEPTEMBER 26-27, 2023 | PITTSBURGH, PA

Overview

DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
September 26	Breakfast	7:30 am - 8:30 am	Sky
	Compliance Use Group (CUG)	8:00 am - 10:00 am	Monongahela
	CIPC Meeting	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	
	Reliability Awards Luncheon	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Grand Ballroom
	Reliability Workshop	1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	
	Reception	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Urban
September 27	Breakfast	7:30 am - 8:30 am	Sky and Grand Ballroom
	Reliability Workshop	8:00 am - 12:00 pm	Grand Ballroom
	Lunch	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Sky and Grand Ballroom

SEVENTEENTH FLOOR

Omni William Penn Hotel

530 William Penn Pl

Pittsburgh, PA 15219



Day 1 Workshop Agenda

- 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm** **Awards Ceremony/Lunch**
Presenter: Diane Holder, Vice President, Entity Engagement and Corporate Services, RF
- 1:00 pm - 1:10 pm** **Welcome**
Presenter: Brian Thiry, Director, Entity Engagement and External Affairs, RF
- 1:10 pm - 1:50 pm** **Working Together with State Public Utility Commissions amid the Great Energy Transition**
Presenter: Stephen DeFrank, Chairman, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
- 1:50 pm - 2:30 pm** **Human Performance in the Energy Industry**
Presenter: Lesley Evancho, Chief Human Resources Officer, EQT, and Independent Director, RF Board of Directors
- 2:30 pm - 3:00 pm** **Break**
- 3:00 pm - 3:40 pm** **Securing in Small Bytes: Tactically Addressing Cybersecurity in Critical Infrastructure**
Presenter: Matthew E. Luallen, Lead Research Scientist, Information Trust Institute at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- 3:40 pm - 4:10 pm** **Parallels and Interdependencies between the Water and Electric Industries**
Presenter: Justin Ladner, President, Pennsylvania American Water
- 4:10 pm - 4:55 pm** **Panel Discussion: Electric Grid Interdependencies with State Government, Natural Gas, Cybersecurity and Water Industries**
Host: Kevin Walker, President and CEO, Duquesne Light Holdings, Inc.
Panelists: Stephen DeFrank, Lesley Evancho, Matthew Luallen and Justin Ladner
- 4:55 pm - 5:00 pm** **Wrap-up**
Presenter: Brian Thiry, Director, Entity Engagement and External Affairs, RF

Day 2 Workshop Agenda

8:00 am - 8:05 am

Welcome

Presenter: Brian Thiry, Director, Entity Engagement and External Affairs, RF

8:05 am - 8:50 am

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) Updates

Presenter: Kal Ayoub, Critical Infrastructure and Resilience Advisor to the Chairman, FERC

8:50 am - 9:50 am

Updates on NERC Projects

Presenters: Latrice Harkness, Director of Standards Development, Jamie Calderon, Manager of Standards Development, and Alison Oswald, Manager of Standards Development, NERC

9:50 am - 10:15 am

Break

10:15 am - 11:00 am

The Journey to Building a Successful Internal Controls Program

Presenters: Nicholas Poluch, Senior Manager, NERC Cyber Protection and Ops Program, and Colleen Dolan, Manager, NERC Internal Controls, Talen Energy

11:00 am - 11:15 am

Break

11:15 am - 12:00 pm

CMEP Updates

Presenter: Zack Brinkman, Manager, CIP Compliance Monitoring, Jim Kubrak, Manager, Operations and Planning Compliance Monitoring, and Max Reisinger, Senior Counsel, RF

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Lunch

Speaker biographies

Scan the QR code to read more about the presenters.

Presentations

To access workshop presentations and resources, scan the QR code.

Slido

Access the Slido link via the QR code or join on Slido.com with #RFWorkshop.

Certifications Reminder

Certified Transmission Operators (TOP), Balancing Authorities (BA) and Reliability Coordinators (RC) (including Entities taking on certain standard obligation per an agreement with a certified Entity) must contact their Regional Entity regarding any operational changes, including the replacement or upgrade of EMS/SCADA systems, with at least one year's notice. Please see the link listed via the QR code for additional details.

SCAN ME:



About RF's State Outreach Work

The 2023 ERO Reliability Risk Priorities Report lists Energy Policy and Grid Transformation as the top two Risk Profiles. At ReliabilityFirst, our mission is to ensure a reliable, resilient, and secure energy transition to the grid of the future through increased communication, coordination, and collaboration. This entails mitigating known risks with our registered entities, plus identifying and communicating emerging risks with stakeholders including state policy makers, utility commissions, governor's associations, and energy offices.

Our team continues to study new energy policies that may have impacts on reliability and security. Leveraging our assessments, reliability reports, and lessons learned from other regions (and other countries and critical infrastructures), we share our findings with those who directly impact energy policy through 1:1 meetings, providing testimony, and commenting on legislation and energy plans. While we are not lobbyists, and we are resource neutral, our priority is ensuring a reliable energy transition.

If you know of policymakers, commissioners, governor's associations, and/or energy offices that would like to meet with the experts at ReliabilityFirst, please contact Michelle Cross at Michelle.Cross@Rfirst.org. For an example of a written testimony from RF in the great state of Pennsylvania, please scan the QR code.





RELIABILITY FIRST



ReliabilityFirst Corporation

3 Summit Park, Suite 600

Cleveland, OH 44131

Website: rfirst.org

Phone: 1-216-503-0600